

The South Newton Township (SNT) Board of Supervisors (BOS) met at the Township Building, 11 High Mountain Road, Walnut Bottom, PA. Chairman David **Durff** called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance. Board members present were Chairman David **Durff**, Supervisor Glenn **Kefer**, Supervisor Wayne **Shoemaker**, and Solicitor Marcus **McKnight**.

MINUTES OF JUNE 21, 2011 – Supervisor Wayne SHOEMAKER motioned to accept the minutes of June 21, 2011, Supervisor Glenn KEEFER seconded, the motion passed.

1. PUBLIC COMMENT – None

2. BILL LIST F/July 19, 2011 – Supervisor Wayne SHOEMAKER motioned to approve the Bill List f/July 19, 2011 in the amount of \$10,521.90, Supervisor Glenn KEEFER seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

3. TREASURERS REPORT – Total Township Funds as of July 31, 2011 - \$157,499.07.

4. ROADMASTER REPORT – June 22, 2011 – July 15, 2011 – 190.5 man-hours. Put in two new drains on Furnace Hollow road, filled in gutter along road and cut drainage away from new drain pipe. Cut tree's out of creek, and cut brush and mowed grass along township roads. **Chairman David DURFF motioned to accept the Roadmaster Report, Supervisor Wayne SHOEMAKER seconded, the motion carried.**

5. SOLICITOR'S REPORT –

- **DELINQUENT GARBAGE COLLECTION ACCOUNTS –** Solicitor **McKNIGHT** sent a certified letter to John Boudier, Firehouse Road regarding his delinquent accounts, in the amount of \$190.54.
- **DIETCH LEIN –** Solicitor **McKnight** spoke to DJ Choick's Office regarding the judgement on the Dietich. DJ Choick is on vacation and will pursue this matter when she returns.

6. SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER (SEO) REPORT – No report

7. CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER (CEO) REPORT – SNT CEO two (2) building permits and three (3) Certificate of Occupancy.

- **Z-11-11 –** Timothy Landis, 429 W. Main Street, Walnut Bottom, PA 17266
- **Z-11-12 –** Lester Newswanger, 45 McCullough Road, Shippensburg, PA 17257
- **Certificates of Occupancy:** Carolyn Kocher/Hoover, Gene McDermond, and Lester Newswanger.

CEO Nenner sent a letter to Luke Reiff regarding the sign on Ritner Highway and Hammond Road. Sign was to be removed by July 15, 2011, which was the case.

The property of Lawrence Gutshall, Horsekiller road was discussed as to the multiple buildings that have been erected, without permits. After a lengthy discussion it was decided to contact the

local Constable, which Solicitor McKnight will provide the contact information, and together he and CEO Nenninger will visit the Gutshall property to conduct a fact finding. The property located at 15 West Main Street, Walnut Bottom, had a fire in one of the apartments. The rubbish has not been cleaned up, which the owner of the building states the insurance company needs to view; a letter will be written requesting the property to be cleaned up.

American Tower has requested to push the fence out 14', this does not require a variance. CEO Nenninger spoke with PP&L, who stated that American Tower will need to follow the UC codes. A yearly inspection to be conducted and reports sent to South Newton Township BOS. CEO Nenninger will write a letter requesting the past reports.

8. ZONING HEARING BOARD (ZHB) REPORT – The Miller variance was approved by the Zoning Hearing Board.

9. PLANNING BOARD REPORT – None.

10. FIRE REPORT JUNE 2011 – SNTVFC reported **12** Fire/Accident Responses, 1 Medical Assist, 2 Training, **1** Parade, **0** Fire Related Injuries, Fire Loss - **\$90,000.00**.

11. REPLACEMENT OF BUILDINGS – PERMIT REQUIRED? - Discussion was held as to whether existing buildings, that experience a fire or loss, require a permit to rebuild? Currently SNT does not have an ordinance in place to address this issue. Open for discussion at next meeting.

12. RENTAL RESIDENCY LETTERS – A work session was held to review the submitted residency letters. Approximately 80 properties did not respond. – *Supervisor David DURFF* motioned to send a second request letter to the property owners, with a statement that non-compliance will result in legal action, *Supervisor Wayne SHOEMAKER* seconded, motion carried.

13. OUTSTANDING TRASH ACCOUNTS – Based upon information received from Southampton Township, Cumberland, there are 13 properties that have not signed up for trash removal or exemptions of any kind. *Supervisor Glenn KEEFER* motioned to have *Solicitor McKnight* send a letter to the 13 owners requiring them to either apply for an exemption, purchase 12 bags, or request a totter, *Supervisor Wayne SHOEMAKER* seconded, motion carried.

14. SUBDIVISION CHECK LIST – Solicitor McKnight continues to have this item on his agenda.

15. DRAFT ZONING HANDBOOK – Wood burning information has been prepared by Cumberland County; Solicitor McKnight will send out for review. A work session will be scheduled in August/September 2011.

16. SENIOR TRASH PRICING CORRECTION - *Supervisor Glenn KEEFER* motioned to correct the pricing for seniors to \$45.21 per quarter, *Supervisor Wayne SHOEMAKER* seconded, motion carried.

15. SECRETARYS COMMENTS – The Internal Revenue Service has increased the mileage reimbursement rate to 55.5 cents per mile. *Supervisor Wayne **SHOEMAKER** motioned to increase the mileage for South Newton Township employees to 55.5 cents per mile, Supervisor Glenn **KEEFER** seconded, motion carried.*

16. SUPERVISORS COMMENTS –

*Supervisor Glenn **KEEFER** motioned to have Wilson Paving repair all roads, as submitted in their bid, Supervisor Wayne **SHOEMAKER** seconded, motion carried.*

*Supervisor David **DURFF** stated that he attended the EMS meeting. The local EMS Agency would like a contract with South Newton Township; which would allow EMS to apply for low interest loans. Solicitor **McKnight** will review the contract and present at the August meeting.*

*Supervisor **DURFF** stated that he spoke to Cumberland County regarding Act 102 form, the form is not ready and will be sent out in the near future.*

*Supervisor **DURFF** asked about the unpaid Street Light bills. Secretary **DURFF** will prepare a list for the **Solicitor** to send letters.*

ADJOURNMENT: The public meeting was adjourned at **8:28 P.M.**

In Attendance:

Donna Brobst, 32 West Main Street, Walnut Bottom, PA 17266

Harry C. Nenninger, P.O. Box 4, Walnut Bottom, PA 17266

Linda Moore, 89 East Main Street, Walnut Bottom, PA 17266

Respectfully Submitted by _____

Trena R. Durff, Secretary