

The South Newton Township (SNT) Board of Supervisors (BOS) met at the South Newton Township Building, 11High Mountain Road, Shippensburg, 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 **Keefer**, Supervisor Leroy **BOWERMASTER**, and Solicitor Matthew **McKnight**.

1. PUBLIC COMMENT –

Robert Vanscyoc, Shippensburg EMS stated they responded to 50 calls in the township, this year so far. Mr. Vanscyoc also stated that effective January 6, 2014 they will go live with ALS services. West Shore stated that they will not come on board. Bob has spoken to South Newton Fire Chief, to update the call boxes.

Chairman David DURFF motioned to approve Resolution 2013- 05 supporting the ALS and BLS in South Newton Township, Supervisor Leroy BOWERMASTER seconded, motion carried.

2. MEETING MINUTES – November 19, 2013 –

Supervisor Leroy BOWERMASTER motioned to accept the minutes of November 19, 2013, Supervisor Glenn KEEFER seconded, the motion passed.

3. BILL LIST F/December 17, 2013 –

Supervisor Glenn KEEFER motioned to approve the Bill List f/, December 17, 2013, in the amount of \$23,227.70. Supervisor Leroy BOWERMASTER, seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

4. TREASURERS REPORT – Total Township Funds as of November 30, 2013 - \$102,900.99

5. ROADMASTER REPORT – November 20, 2013 – December 17, 2013 – 123.5 man-hours.

Picked up and delivered totes. Put speed limit signs up on Hammond Road, High Mountain and Horsekiller Road, fixed light on truck, cut brush on High Mt. and Horsekiller. *Chairman David DURFF motioned to accept the Roadmaster Report, Supervisor Leroy BOWERMASTER seconded, the motion carried.*

6. SOLICITOR'S REPORT –

➤ **DELINQUENT GARBAGE COLLECTION ACCOUNTS –**

➤ *Solicitor Matthew McKNIGHT stated no report was received due to vacation.*

Chairman DURFF inquired if the outstanding Trash account for G. Dietch was paid, as it was due by December 15, 2013. Solicitor McKnight stated it had not. Ms. Dietch was present at this meeting and stated she was not able to make the payment by the 15th.

Chairman DURFF stated that due to the bill not being paid by the 15th, there will be no deal regarding the reduction of fine costs.

Solicitor McKnight stated that the Township should have received a copy of the Records Retention Manual, as requested.

Supervisor Glenn KEEFER motioned to accept the Ordinance 2013- 01 regarding the Per Capita Tax, Chairman David DURFF seconded, motion carried.

Solicitor McKnight review the letter sent to J. Wall regarding the failure to obtain septic permit and payment of fees. This is to be paid by December 30, 2013, or further action will be taken.

Solicitor McKnight will have staff person Johanna, research the records for the previous EIT Ordinance for the township.

7. SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER (SEO) REPORT –

No payment for permit received.

8. CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER (CEO) -

Ms. Dietch was present for the meeting, and addressed the Board regarding the letter she received dated December 3, 2013, requesting the chickens be removed from the property. Ms. Dietch stated that she was sorry that the chickens were still roaming after two weeks, as she thought she had until this meeting to have them secured in a coop. Chairman DURFF reminded her that the agreement was that all chickens needed to be caught and placed in the coop, and the Code Enforcement Officer observed that this request was not adhered to.

Code Enforcement Officer did report that the footage was a little over 9' on the sides. After much discussion, *Supervisor Glenn KEEFER motioned to allow the chickens to remove on the property, with the condition that they remain in the coop, and if any other incidences regarding the chickens are report, the chickens MUST be removed. Supervisor Leroy BOWERMASTER seconded, motion carried.*

9. ZONING OFFICER (ZO) REPORT – SNT ZO two (2) Building Permits, two (2) Certificates of Occupancy.

Certificate of Occupancies Issued to:

Z-13-24 – A. Sauder, 112 Rehobeth Road, Shippensburg, PA 17257

Z-13-17 – J. Diller, 347 High Mountain Road, Shippensburg, PA 17257

Building Permits:

Z-13-26 – S. Parson, 6 Antler Court, Shippensburg, PA 17257

Z-13-27 – D. Zimmerman, 142 Stoughstown Road, Shippensburg, PA 17257

Zoning Officer stated that Labor and Industry conducted an audit of two of the commercial permits that were issued. They went to inspect the church, report forthcoming.

10. ZONING & HEARING BOARD REPORT – none

11. FIRE REPORT – SNTVFC reported 19 Fire/Accident Responses, 7 Medical Assist, 0 Training, 1 Fire Police Incident, 0 Stand By, 0 Parade, 0 Fire Preventions, 0 Fire Related Injuries, Fire Loss **\$0.00**

12. NEW BUSINESS:

Reorganizational Meeting – The 2014 Reorganizational meeting will be held on January 6, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

Supervisor KEEFER stated that while plowing Goodhart Street, it was noticed that the property at 17 Goodhart Street possibly had a horse and a driveway. Zoning Officer Nenninger stated that either a permit or a conditional use permit was issued.

Chairman DURFF stated that he will contact the Code Enforcement Officer to check on this, and to take pictures. He will request a report prior to the meeting.

13. OLD BUSINESS: -

Donna Brobst, Tax Collector stated that the property at 321 Firehouse Road is going to Sheriff Sale.

Chairman David DURFF motioned to approve the 2014 Budget as approved and advertised, Supervisor Glenn KEEFER seconded, motion carried.

14. SECRETARYS COMMENTS - none

15. SUPERVISORS COMMENTS –

Chairman DURFF stated that Solicitor McKnight has contacted us regarding two trash customers that currently owe the \$30.00 for his fee, and that if we were contacted by the individuals we are to have them send the \$30.00 to his office. Chairman DURFF reminded the Board, that to follow the policies that have been put into place regarding the collection of trash accounts. This policy is “the customer is to pay Irwin & McKnight”, not Southampton Township or South Newton Township.

ADJOURNMENT: The public meeting was adjourned at **8:00 P.M.**

In Attendance:

Harry Nenninger – P.O. Box 4, Walnut Bottom, PA

Lois Burkett –

Gay Dietch – 101 E. Main Street, Walnut Bottom, PA

Donna Brobst – 32 W. Main Street, Walnut Bottom PA

Robert VanScyoc – Shippensburg EMS

Beth Eiselman – Shippensburg EMS

Barb Cohick, Shippensburg EMS

David Weller – 20 Pine Road, Walnut Bottom, PA

Respectfully Submitted by
Trena R. Durff