

# **BLACK CREEK TOWNSHIP**

## **REGULAR MEETING**

**APRIL 7, 2009**

**7:30 P.M.**

## **POOL PARK COMPLEX BUILDING**

### **ROCK GLEN, PA**

A regular meeting of the Black Creek Township Supervisors was called to order.

Members present were: Bonnie Adams, Donald Nenstiel, and Dennis Feerrar.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Under Public Comment on items on the agenda:

It was announced that each person will be given the opportunity to address the township once on any agenda items for a period of five minutes.

Ralph Brutosky questioned the cost of the podium.

George Hasker asked where the county will be doing the spraying for the gypsy moths. Supervisors are not sure but a letter is included with the agenda explaining what we were told.

There were no additions or corrections to the minutes of the previous meeting. A motion was made by Dennis Feerrar seconded by Bonnie Adams to dispense with the reading of the minutes and approve the minutes as presented. Roll Call Vote: Donald Nenstiel yes, Dennis Feerrar yes, and Bonnie Adams yes.

Dennis Feerrar gave a financial report stating the amount in each account with total available funds \$282,436.60.

A motion was made by Bonnie Adams seconded by Dennis Feerrar to approve payment of the bills as presented. Roll Call Vote: Donald Nenstiel yes, Dennis Feerrar yes, and Bonnie Adams yes.

The following correspondence was presented:

We will be receiving a grant for our Website costs.

The township will be purchasing a laser printer from NEPA.

We received a complaint concerning excessive shooting at Whitetail from Zack Peak.

Also, some complaints came from concerned citizens about the liquid that is being sprayed on the fields in the Sugarloaf section of the township.

The Solicitor gave the following report:

The Border Commission made a decision that SYZE Inc. is in Sugarloaf Township.

Also, he asked the supervisors to make a motion for him to assist the solicitor from Twin County Joint Municipal Authority in filing a complaint. Donald Nenstiel made the motion seconded by Dennis

Feerrar to give him permission to assist. Roll Call Vote: Donald Nenstiel yes, Dennis Feerrar yes, and Bonnie Adams yes.

He asked for a motion to authorize him to amend the ordinances. Dennis Feerrar made the motion seconded by Bonnie Adams. Roll Call Vote: Donald Nenstiel yes, Dennis Feerrar yes, and Bonnie Adams yes.

He stated that he was working on the Employee Policy Book.

He filed a notice of violation to Rickie Whitebread and Rickie agreed to apply for the proper permits.

He assisted in the advertisement for the Penn Wind Zoning Hearing to be held on April 23, 2009 at 7:30 p.m.

He requested permission to assist the S.E.O. in the prosecution of Robert Hyers on Hilltop Drive. Bonnie Adams made the motion seconded by Dennis Feerrar to permit his assistance. Roll Call Vote: Donald Nenstiel yes, Dennis Feerrar yes, and Bonnie Adams yes.

The Fire Chief gave his report for the month of March.

The Zoning Officer issued one zoning permit during the month of March.

Bonnie Adams gave both a Road Master and a Recreation Committee report.

Under Old Business:

Dennis Feerrar gave a recycling Committee Report that they visited some recycling sites.

Some training was done for QuickBooks and she will be back to continue.

Under New Business:

Supervisors reported that they solicited quotes for patch from HRI, Eckley Paving, and Barletta. Eckley was the lowest and they are a member of Costars.

Supervisors had a brief discussion on the letter received concerning the Gypsy Moth Spraying Program through the County.

P.S.A.T.S. is encouraging all townships to participate in the 2010 Census to get a complete count.

The township will again participate in the Summer Lunch Program for children 18 years and under.

The Fire Chief requested that the Supervisors make a motion and write a letter to Luzerne County 9-1-1 to have all Black Creek calls routed to Schuylkill County 9-1-1. Bonnie Adams made the motion, seconded by Dennis Feerrar. Roll Call Vote: Donald Nenstiel yes, Dennis Feerrar yes, and Bonnie Adams yes. A letter will follow.

Under Public Comment for items not on the agenda – It was announced that residents and taxpayers are given the opportunity to address the Supervisors once for a period of 5 minutes.

Sue Fracke commented that the Supervisors are bound to protect the Health, Safety, and Welfare of the Residents and she feels that PPL does not need another reactor and the Supervisors should not agree to this.

Tom Belusko had questions and comments concerning the liquid waste that is being distributed on the fields – It was mentioned that it has been tested, but not all the results are in. Gregg Slusser and Tim Owens were in attendance and answered some questions.

Larry Ulshafer had issues concerning payrolls from 2007.

Zack Peak and Ed Martinick both expressed concerns about Whitetail and what can be done about shooting. The Solicitor suggested having a meeting with Joe Gans and these residents.

Keith Whitebread asked about info on the Website.

Gary Rhorbach questioned the material used on Hilltop Drive and stone is needed not slate material.

Josh Youncourt expressed interest in starting a crime watch program in the township.

Sharon Rhorbach questioned the Solicitor on changing or updating the ordinances.

James Pennington mentioned the condition of Tower Road and suggested having a clean-up day

Dick Hartranft reported that after touring the township roads, he feels that extensive repairs are needed which will cost lots of money and commented on two supervisors working.

Karen Hasker asked why her street was never cleaned. Supervisors will look into this.

Ralph Brutosky had questions and comments about burning, office hours, and Rickie Whitebreads building permit.

Allen Nodes asked about the agreement concerning digging across township roads. The Solicitor and Engineer will be consulted on this issue.

Donald Nenstiel made a motion to adjourn. Bonnie Adams second.