

**MIDDLESEX TOWNSHIP
SUPERVISORS MEETING
February 4, 2015**

OFFICIALS PRESENT: **SUPERVISORS:** Chairman Donald S. Geistwhite, Jr.
 Vice-Chairman Steven Larson
 William H. Goodhart
 SOLICITOR: Keith O. Brenneman
 POLICE CHIEF: Barry L. Sherman
 ZONING OFFICER: Mark D. Carpenter
 MANAGER: Eileen M. Gault
 FIRE CHIEF: Ed Beam

OFFICIALS ABSENT: **ENGINEER:** Bud Grove

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG: Chairman Geistwhite called the meeting to order leading the pledge to the flag at 7:00 p.m. in the Middlesex Township Building.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mr. Stanley Tarka of 210 N. Old Stonehouse Road was present and asked why a previously discussed Ordinance prohibiting the use of Appalachian Drive by trucks, except for local deliveries was not on the agenda. Chairman Geistwhite explained that the Ordinance has to be advertised for thirty (30) days prior to enactment which is proposed to take place on February 27, 2015.

Mr. Tarka then thanked the Highway Department Crew for the excellent job that was done plowing the roads.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to approve the minutes of January 5, 2015.

On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Supervisor Goodhart, it was unanimously agreed to approve the minutes of January 30, 2015.

AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF BILLS: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to authorize the payments of the January 2015 bills.

REPORTS:

Solicitor – No report

Engineer – Absent. No report.

Police – Chief Sherman submitted the monthly Police Report. There was a brief discussion of the report. Report entered into record.

Zoning – Mr. Carpenter submitted the monthly Zoning Report. There was a brief discussion of the report. Report entered into record.

Recreation/Recycling Coordinator – Recreation Report was submitted and entered into record. Mrs. Gault reported that the renovations at the Recreation Building are going along well and the guys are doing a great job.

Fire/EMC – Chief Beam submitted the monthly Fire/EMC Report as well as his annual report. There was a brief discussion of the reports. Report entered into record.

Municipal Authority – Chairman Geistwhite reported that things are going well with the Municipal Authority.

Manager – Mrs. Gault reported that the audit is going well and should be completed in a couple of weeks. There has been approximately 9 hours put into the audit thus far with 95% of it being completed.

OLD BUSINESS:

TPF 13-8, Cummings Brothers Carlisle Property LLC Land Development Plan, Request for extension of review time until May 6, 2015: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to approve the request for extension of review time for the Cummings Brothers Carlisle Property LLC Land Development Plan until May 6, 2015.

Proposed adoption of Resolution 2015 – 6 Authorizing the sale and disposition of certain personal property of Middlesex Township: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Supervisor Goodhart, it was unanimously agreed to adopt Resolution 2015 – 6 Authorizing the sale and disposition of certain personal property of Middlesex Township.

Cumberland County Bridge Closure Wolf Bridge Road: Vice-Chairman Larson reported that he spoke with Kirk Stoner, Cumberland County Planning Director, to discuss the closure of the bridge and what is being done to expedite the replacement and reopening. Mr. Stoner reiterated that the Commissioners are in favor of a replacement with a modern 2-lane bridge, however, the Pennsylvania Historic and Museum Commission (PHMC) is interested in the historic preservation of the bridge. This must be taken into consideration as required by the regulations of accompanying federal and state funding sources which will fully fund the repair or replacement of the bridge. PHMC is interested in preserving the steel trusses on the single lane bridge and adding traffic control signals at each end of the bridge which would cost approximately \$200,000 more than a replacement 2-lane modern structure. After much discussion, the Supervisors are in favor of the Commissioners' position of a modern structure and encourage residents in support of this to write the County and PHMC.

NEW BUSINESS:

Letort Regional Authority Representative Resignation of Sandra Kern: The Supervisors suggest that an article is put in the newsletter to recruit a volunteer to serve on the Letort Regional Authority as a Representative for Middlesex Township.

Planning Commission Member Resignation of Sean Oldfield: The Supervisors asked Mr. Carpenter to contact Mr. Randy Waggoner to see if he would be interested in becoming a Planning Commission Member.

Shermans Dale Community Fire Co. Contract for Fire Protection: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to execute the contract for fire protection between Shermans Dale Community Fire Co. and Middlesex Township.

North Middleton Township Fire Co. Contract for Fire Protection: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Supervisor Goodhart, it was unanimously agreed to execute the contract for fire protection between the North Middleton Fire Co. and Middlesex Township.

New Kingstown Fire Co. Contract for Fire Protection: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to execute the contract for fire protection between the New Kingstown Fire Co. and Middlesex Township.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: There being no further business, on the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Supervisor Goodhart, it was unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 p.m. to Executive Session, with no action being taken as a result.