

**MIDDLESEX TOWNSHIP
WORKSHOP MEETING
February 28, 2014**

OFFICIALS PRESENT: **SUPERVISORS:** Chairman Donald S. Geistwhite, Jr.
 Vice-Chairman Steve Larson
 William H. Goodhart
 SOLICITOR: Keith Brenneman
 POLICE: Chief Barry Sherman
 ZONING OFFICER: Mark Carpenter
 MANAGER: Eileen Gault

OFFICIAL ABSENT: **ENGINEER:** Bud Grove

Chairman Geistwhite called the meeting to order at 7:34 am in the Middlesex Township Building.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mrs. Cindy Pool-Gleim expressed her appreciation to Highway Superintendent Mr. Sherman and his crew for the fantastic job they do with keeping the roads clear in Middlesex Township.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY NURSING HOME REHAB PROJECT: John Lopp, Facilities Director for Cumberland County and Karen DeWoody, Administrator for the County Nursing Home were present to discuss the nursing home rehab project. Since the nursing home is self-funded and receives no funds from the County it was proposed to the Supervisors to waive or reduce the permitting fees estimated at \$17,300.00. After much discussion the Supervisors agreed that waiving the fees would set precedence, therefore, they decided not to waive the fees.

AUDITOR'S REPORT: Mrs. Cindy Pool-Gleim presented the Auditor's Report to the Supervisors. The Audit began on January 7, 2014 and was completed on February 9, 2014. It has been helpful conducting the audit on Saturday's and some Sunday's. There was an excess of expenses over revenue resulting in a deficit of \$73,549. The lowered building loan interest rate will result in a considerable amount of savings over the years. The new software gets better each year as all the kinks get worked out. Chairman Geistwhite on behalf of the Board thanked the Auditor's for all that they do.

ROADWAY EXPRESS ASSESSMENT APPEAL STIPULATION: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to authorize the Solicitor Mr. Brenneman to execute on behalf of the Board of Supervisors, the Roadway Express Assessment Appeal Stipulation.

SNOW EMERGENCY ORDINANCE: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to authorize the Solicitor Mr. Brenneman to advertise the Snow Emergency Ordinance for enactment at the March 28, 2014 Workshop Meeting.

SIDEWALK ORDINANCE: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to authorize the Solicitor Mr. Brenneman to advertise the Sidewalk Ordinance for enactment at the March 28, 2014 Workshop Meeting.

Chairman Geistwhite mentioned that Mr. Carpenter had sent the Supervisors an e-mail about Toigo Farms whose NPDES permit came back with several issues that need to be addressed. Mr. Carpenter has spoken with their Engineer and they will be addressing the issues.

Mr. Carpenter reported that Sunoco Pipeline that goes through Middlesex Township has an 8 in. line that they are getting ready to do maintenance on. Sunoco plans to clean and repair the line and use it to bring natural gas from South Pittsburg to Philadelphia to refine. They plan to begin this spring and summer and have provided the township with a map indicating the locations.

Mr. Brenneman announced that Chief Sherman has been appointed to Vice-President of the PMRS Board.

Highway Superintendent Mr. Sherman stated that when the salt shed was built the Township consisted of 25 miles of road to maintain, today the road miles have doubled to 50+ miles. He would like to build an additional salt shed to accommodate 1,000 ton of salt. This shed will be built with Liquid Fuels Funds and will not affect the General Fund.

There being no further business, on the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 a.m.