

**MIDDLESEX TOWNSHIP
SUPERVISORS MEETING**

June 1, 2005

OFFICIALS PRESENT:	SUPERVISORS:	Chuck Shughart Vic Stabile Don Geistwhite
	SOLICITOR:	Keith Brenneman
	ENGINEER:	Bud Grove
	POLICE:	Chief Barry Sherman
	ZONING OFFICER:	Mark Carpenter
	SECRETARY:	Mary Justh

Chairman Chuck Shughart called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM in the Middlesex Twp Building with Joe Capuano leading the pledge to the flag.

POLICE AWARDS – Police Chief Barry Sherman gave two awards to **Officer Paula Mullen and Officer Andrew Wolfe**. One award was for the arrest of a speeder with a truck load of marijuana that led police to an arrest, in Lancaster County, of a farmer that was producing the marijuana. The second award was for the rescue of a Middlesex Township resident that was overcome by smoke in his home.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Mr. Geistwhite made a motion to approve the minutes for 4 and 20 of May. Mr. Stabile seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF BILLS – Mr. Geistwhite made a motion to approve payment of bills per the bill list of May. Mr. Stabile seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

REPORTS

Solicitor - No report

Engineer – No report

Police – Ordered to file.

Zoning – Ordered to file.

Recreation – Ordered to File.

Fire/EMC – Ordered to file

Municipal Authority – No report

Secretary – Mrs. Justh reported that she had forwarded an insurance proposal to the Supervisors for consideration. Mr. Stabile asked if the pricing was that much different. Mrs. Justh reported that they were comparable. Mr. Stabile asked Mrs. Justh to check on the Public Officials Liability Plan and see what the plan actually covers. The

Supervisors decided that the Township would remain with Keystone Insurers Group for next year.

OLD BUSINESS

Conservation Ordinance – According to Mr. Carpenter the approximate cost for the Ordinance would be \$15,750.00 and the Township did not get any funding through the WREN Grant, but there is still possible funding from the County. Mr. Stabile asked that the consultant attend our workshop meeting in June. The Board of Supervisors want to make sure that the scope of work they have requested is how the contract is actually written with a not to exceed clause. Planning Commission members are welcome to attend the meeting. Mr. Carpenter will have Solicitor Brenneman will have a final look at the contract.

CET Engineering Services Letter Relative to Permitting and Interconnection – Mr. Carpenter stated that the work has already been done, but according to Mrs. Justh the concern was that the Supervisors should be notified in writing requesting comments.

NEW BUSINESS

Ridge Estates Maintenance Bond for Street Trees – Mr. Grove stated that all trees are in place and subject to maintenance of 18 months. Mr. Stabile made a motion to accept Mr. Grove's recommendation for Ridge Estates to approve developer's request of a maintenance bond in the amount of \$3,375.00 to commence on either the recording of the plan or the posting of the maintenance bond which ever comes later. Mr. Geistwhite seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Letter of Support for the Exit 44 Project - Mr. Carpenter explained that he has been part of the Exit 44 study and this request is a letter of support for the project. Mr. Stabile made a motion to authorize Mrs. Justh to send a letter of support to Kirk Stoner on the Exit 44 Project. Mr. Geistwhite seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Memorandum of Support for the PA Rt. 34/Sunnyside Drive Project – Mr. Stabile made a motion to have Mrs. Justh send a letter of support for the PA Rt. 34/Sunnyside Drive Project using the letter from Kirk Stoner. Mr. Geistwhite seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

HATS – Wolfs Bridge – Mrs. Justh explained that Kirk Stoner asked the Township to place Wolfs Bridge on the HATS list, since things have changed and he is hoping that we can get funding for the bridge rather than placing it on the county list. Mr. Geistwhite made a motion to place Wolfs Bridge on the top of the HATS list for bridges by PennDOT. Mr. Stabile seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Closure of Wolfs Bridge Road for Repairs – Mrs. Justh informed the Supervisors that the County will be working on the bridge sometime between July and September. Chief Sherman explained that the township will also be working on Clemson Road the some time. Mrs. Justh was asked to try to get the County to notify the township when they start

the work.

County-wide Municipal Participation Form for Bridge Inspections – Mr. Stabile made a motion to execute the County-wide Municipal Bridge form to participate in the County-wide Bridge Inspection. Mr. Geistwhite seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Letter from Matthew D. Madden/Cumberland County Open Space Plan – Mr. Stabile asked that Mr. Carpenter file the letter from Mr. Madden with the County Open Space file and the next time it comes up for review, Mr. Carpenter needs to see if the comments have been addressed. Mr. Geistwhite and Mr. Shughart agreed.

Letter from Evelyn Hurley Requesting an Extension on Her Septic Pumping – Mr. Shughart questioned that the Ordinance should be revised to a four or five year pumping of septic tanks in the township. Mr. Stabile asked whether it might be a hardship or not for Mrs. Hurley that she wrote the letter. Mr. Geistwhite stated that he would ask at the next MTMA meeting what the thoughts might be about pumping less often. Mr. Carpenter would like to be involved with the decision to pump less frequently.

North Middleton Fire Company & Union Fire Company Request for 800 MHz Radio Systems Contribution – Mr. Stabile questioned what is happening with the radio system and how the fire companies and police departments were going to pay for the radios. Mr. Justh was directed to send letters to all four fire companies stating that there are no funds available this year in the township budget, but it would be considered for next years budget.

Kenny Ray Johnson – Mr. Shughart made a motion to file a statement of charges against Kenny Johnson. Mr. Geistwhite seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Shughart will not be available to attend the next meeting. Mr. Geistwhite can be contacted by cell phone. Chief Sherman stated that bids are to be awarded at the next meeting. Mr. Stabile will cover the meeting with Mr. Geistwhite being contacted by phone.

Mr. Brenneman stated that this is the time and place for public comment for the **Amended Act 537 Plan** that has been advertised. Mr. Brenneman stated that there was no public comment.

Discussion followed on the Meadows Home Owners Association and on the land being held by them and the Association controlling what happens in the common area in the Meadows. Mr. Stabile asked that we take a long hard look at these developments and how the common areas handled for future developments.

Mr. Stabile made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 PM. The motion was seconded by Mr. Shughart.