

**MIDDLESEX TOWNSHIP
WORKSHOP MEETING
JULY 30, 2010**

OFFICIALS PRESENT:	SUPERVISORS:	Chairman Victor Stabile Vice-Chairman Donald Geistwhite Steve Larson - Absent
	SOLICITOR:	Keith Brenneman
	ENGINEER:	Bud Grove
	POLICE:	Chief Barry Sherman
	ZONING OFFICER:	Mark Carpenter
	MANAGER:	Eileen Gault
	FIRE CHIEF:	Ed Beam-Absent

Supervisor Mr. Stabile called the meeting to order at 7:34 am in the Middlesex Township Building

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mr. Charles W. Shughart was present to discuss a matter that occurred in his neighborhood with some new neighbors. Mr. Shughart informed the Supervisors of his neighbors that during the July 4th holiday were setting off some illegal fireworks. He did call the police who had come out, yet the neighbors continued the display around ½ hr. after the police left. This incident left a mess in the yards and the noise had caused upset to the neighboring animals. Mr. Shughart asked that the Supervisors come up with an Ordinance that imposes fines regarding fireworks. Mr. Stabile asked the Solicitor Mr. Brenneman to inquire about any firework ordinances already in place.

DISC GOLF: Mr. Steve Alspaugh, Mr. Bill Ledgett & Mr. Mike Boegel presented to the Supervisors an aerial photograph of the park with a colored outline of the area in which they would like to place the Disc Golf Course. The primary area was outlined in green and is in the vicinity of the wooded walking trail. The course will intertwine with the trail and the wooded area. The Supervisors were in support of this idea. The course will take approximately one year to get up and running and will be available to all residents and visitors to the area free of charge.

LETORT FALLS DEP LICENSE AGREEMENT: Recreation Director Mrs. Jumper presented to the Supervisors the Letort Falls DEP License Agreement for their approval. On the motion of Mr. Stabile, seconded by Mr. Geistwhite, it was unanimously agreed to approve and execute the license agreement between Middlesex Township and DEP for the Letort Falls boat ramp.

MARVIN WINGERT – REQUEST FOR RELIEF FROM ONLOT SEWAGE SYSTEM REPLACEMENT AREA REQUIREMENT: Mr. & Mrs. Marvin Wingert owners of a vacant lot located along Sunnyside Drive, County Tax Parcel #21-04-0371-042B were present to request from the Supervisors relief from the requirement for an on-lot sewage system replacement area. On the motion of Mr. Geistwhite, seconded by Mr. Stabile, it was unanimously agreed to approve the request of Mr. & Mrs. Wingert that relief is granted from Ordinance 1 – 99 to permit them to develop the lot with a single on-lot sewage system and grant relief from the requirement for an additional replacement area.

TPF 04-25 MEADOWBROOK FARMS PHASE 4 – SUBDIVISION PLAN REQUEST FOR REDUCTION OF IMPROVEMENT SECURITY: Mr. Grove reported that his letter dated July 13, 2010 recommends that the improvement security for Meadowbrook Farms Phase 4 be reduced to \$35,261.00, which represents no less than 10% of the total financial security retained until project completion. On the motion of Mr. Stabile, seconded by Mr. Geistwhite, it was unanimously agreed in connection with the request of Meadowbrook Farms Phase 4 for reduction of financial security dated July 6, 2010 that the recommendation of the engineer is adopted under the letter of July 13, 2010 to grant request to the extent that the financial security will be reduced to the amount of \$35,261.00

TPF 07-11 SHEETZ TRINDLE ROAD – LAND DEVELOPMENT PLAN REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF IMPROVEMENT SECURITY: Mr. Grove reported that Sheetz is ready to go into maintenance and have satisfied all of the comments. Mr. Grove is recommending that Sheetz post a maintenance security of \$84,849.00 which represents 15% of the construction costs plus 1.5% for engineering inspections. The Township is presently holding \$55,730.00 so essentially this would be an exchange. On the motion of Mr. Stabile, seconded by Mr. Geistwhite, in connection with the request of Sheetz Trindle Road for the release of the remaining amount of their financial security it was moved to adopt the engineer's recommendation of July 13, 2010 to release the remaining amount of financial security of \$55,730.00 on the condition that Sheetz then post the recommended maintenance security in the amount of \$84,849.00 to be retained for a period of 18 months.

FIRST DRAFT OF STORMWATER ORDINANCE: Mr. Grove presented his first draft of the Township Stormwater Management Ordinance. The County recently completed a Stormwater Study under State Act 167. The Township is mandated to adopt its own ordinance in accordance with the County model ordinance. Once the County adopts its ordinance, Middlesex Township will have six months to come up with its own ordinance. Mr. Grove stated that his draft falls in line in theory with open space ordinance because it encourages use of the open space for infiltration, stormwater management & tries to discourage use of detention ponds. After much discussion of the draft, Mr. Grove stated that this encompasses all of the county ordinances recommendations, incorporates a number of other ordinances that he has reviewed and gathered information from and includes other research that he has done over the past year. Comments from the Planning Commission and Supervisors as well as editing are still needed prior to completion of the final draft.

LINE PAINTING BID: There was one bid for the Line Painting Bid that was priced higher than expected. On the motion of Mr. Geistwhite, seconded by Mr. Stabile, it was unanimously agreed to reject the bid for Line Painting and to authorize Mr. Sherman to rebid the Line Painting.

EQUIPMENT BID: There was one bid for the Equipment Bid without an operator. On the motion of Mr. Geistwhite, seconded by Mr. Stabile, it was unanimously agreed to accept the Equipment Bid without an operator from Steve L. Gordon Excavating for the rental of a 953 CAT Track Loader at \$75.00 an hour, not to exceed \$15,000.00.

Mr. Sherman reported that on August 4, 2010 Harmony Hall Road will be closed for approximately one week due to repairs on the bridge. On the motion of Mr. Stabile, seconded by Mr. Geistwhite, it was unanimously agreed to authorize Chief Sherman to close Harmony Hall Road from August 4 – 11, 2010 for necessary bridge repairs.

DEP COMPOST SITE GRANT ATTACHMENT A: Mrs. Gault presented to the Supervisors Attachment A which was part of the original contract with DEP for the Compost Site. This new one had some revisions done by the legal department of DEP with regards to the wording of the Right To Know and the Electronic Payment Information. Mrs. Gault explained that the Supervisors don't need to sign this revision only acknowledge that they have reviewed it and accept the changes. Mr. Brenneman explained that he has read the revisions and they are minor changes. On the motion of Mr. Stabile, seconded by Mr. Geistwhite, it was unanimously agreed to authorize Mrs. Gault to notify DEP that Middlesex Township has reviewed and accepts the revisions to July 20, 2010 Attachment A.

The next meeting is August 4, 2010. There being no further business, on the motion of Mr. Geistwhite, seconded by Mr. Stabile, it was unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 9:41 A.M.