

**MIDDLESEX TOWNSHIP
WORKSHOP MEETING
October 25, 2013**

OFFICIALS PRESENT: SUPERVISORS: Chairman Donald S. Geistwhite, Jr.
Vice-Chairman Steve Larson
SOLICITOR: Keith O. Brenneman
POLICE: Chief Barry L. Sherman
ZONING OFFICER: Mark D. Carpenter
MANAGER: Eileen M. Gault

OFFICIALS ABSENT: SUPERVISOR: William H. Goodhart
ENGINEER: Bud Grove

Chairman Geistwhite called the meeting to order at 7:37 am in the Middlesex Township Building.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mr. Stanley Tarka of 210 N. Old Stonehouse Road stated that after communicating with Mr. Carpenter on numerous occasions about the Toigo Farm proposal he is supportive of the idea. However, there are a few issues that still concern him. One being the applicant originally said they would be coming off of S. Middlesex Road and now they are saying Old Stonehouse Road which propose a safety concern to him with cyclists on that road let alone the traffic of trucks at odd hours of the night. Chairman Geistwhite stated that he and Mr. Carpenter went to the current Toigo Farms to see the daily operations and is confident that this will be a great working relationship. The Supervisors encouraged Mr. Tarka to continue to communicate with Mr. Carpenter to remain informed of the project as it progresses.

BID AWARD FOR USED GENERATOR: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to award the bid for the 1981 diesel engine driven generator set in the amount of \$1,214.50 to Todd Hill of Drexel Hill, PA.

ORDINANCE 3 – 2013 ESTABLISHING STOP INTERSECTIONS AT CERTAIN INTERSECTIONS ON AND ACCESSES TO CLAREMEONT ROAD (T-593), BERNHEISEL BRIDGE ROAD (T-574) AND BEAGLE CLUB ROAD (T-502); PROVIDING FOR THE ERECTION OF SIGNS AND ESTABLISHING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to adopt Ordinance 3 – 2013 establishing a stop intersection at certain intersections on and accesses to Claremont Road (T-593), Bernheisel Bridge Road (T-574) and Beagle Club Road (T-502), providing for the erection of signs and establishing penalties for the violation thereof.

AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO ASSESS, COLLECT AND RETAIN FEES FOR VARIOUS TAX SERVICES: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to authorize the Township Solicitor Mr. Brenneman to advertise for

adoption the proposed Ordinance authorizing the Tax Collector to assess, collect and retain fees for various tax services.

AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE FOR STREET LIGHT DISTRICT 2: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to authorize the Township Solicitor Mr. Brenneman to advertise for adoption the proposed Ordinance establishing and identifying Street Light District 2.

TPF 13-6 CUMBERLAND RANGE ESTATES PRELIMINARY MAJOR SUBDIVISION PLAN REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF REVIEW TIME: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to grant the request for extension of review time for Cumberland Range Estates Preliminary Major Subdivision Plan from November 8, 2013 to February 6, 2014.

TPF 13-8 CUMMINGS BROTHERS CARLISLE PROPERTY LLC PRELIMINARY/FINAL MINOR LAND DEVELOPMENT PLAN REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF REVIEW TIME: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to grant the request for extension of review time for Cummings Brothers Carlisle Property LLC Preliminary/Final Minor Land Development Plan from November 9, 2013 to February 7, 2014,

AUTHORIZE SUBMISSION OF DEP SEWAGE FACILITIES PUBLIC SEWER EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING PROJECTS:

- CUMBERLAND RANGE ESTATES SUBDIVISION PLAN
- ROBERT E. DIEHL SUBDIVISION PLAN
- TOIGO ORGANIC FARMS AGRICULTURAL USE

On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to authorize submission of DEP Sewage Facilities Public Sewer Exemption Application for Cumberland Range Estates Subdivision Plan, Robert E. Diehl Subdivision Plan and Toigo Organic Farms Agricultural Use.

BID AWARDS FOR TWO (2) USED VEHICLES: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to award the bid for the 2007 Ford Crown Victoria in the amount of \$1,002.00 to Albert Russo of Penn Valley, PA.

On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to award the bid for the 2009 Ford Crown Victoria in the amount of \$2,411.00 to Albert Russo of Penn Valley, PA.

ROADWAY LIGHTING AGREEMENT FOR THE SR0034 IMPROVEMENT PROJECT: Chief Sherman expressed his concern that after reading the agreement it states that PennDot will be able to replace light poles, etc. and attach the costs to the Township's Liquid Fuels money. Legally, wherever a Township Road connects to a State Road the state can impose the obligation of maintenance of signaling and lights on the municipality. Mr. Brenneman recommends that a letter is sent to Mr. Kaiser stating that the Township will not enter into this

agreement unless the other municipalities that are benefitted by this roadway improvement also share in the cost with the Township. The Supervisors are in agreement to Mr. Brenneman's recommendation.

YOUNG LUNGS AT PLAY: Denise Jumper, Recreation Director, informed the Supervisors that one of her Recreation Board Members asked that this matter is addressed with them after she was approached at the Fall Festival by people stating that it would be nice if there was no smoking allowed. The recommendation is that the Supervisors consider enacting the ordinance that bans smoking at the park through the Young Lungs at Play Program. After much discussion, it was agreed that since it is difficult to enforce such an ordinance, Mrs. Jumper can have no smoking signs made and posted at the park without going through the program.

WASTE HAULER CONTRACT RFP: There was some discussion about the changes that were made to the RFP. It was agreed by the Supervisors to consider as an option changing the current twice a year large item clean-up to a once a week large item clean-up, as well as having a larger covered recycling bin. Mrs. Jumper then stated that she was recently at a Recycling Roundtable Meeting in which there was discussion that Cumberland County does not have an electronics recycling day nor do they foresee it happening. It was mentioned about municipalities including it in their trash contracts. The Supervisors agreed to include in the bid an annual electronics drop off.

There was some discussion about the 2014 budget. Mrs. Gault is proposing that the Supervisors abolish the Per Capita Tax and increase the mileage in order to recover the lost revenue from the Per Capita Tax. This matter will be discussed further at the November 22, 2013 Workshop Meeting.

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 8:50 a.m.