

**BEDMINSTER TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
MONTHLY MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9, 2010**

SUPERVISORS PRESENT: Eric P. Schaffhausen, Chairman
Morgan Cowperthwaite, Jr., Vice Chairman
Glenn A. Wismer, Member

STAFF: John T. Terry, Manager
Jean Herstine, Secretary/Treasurer
Peter Nelson, Township Solicitor
Thomas Fountain, Township Engineer
Mark R. Ofner, Chief

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance:

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in the Municipal Township Building in the Village of Bedminster, leading those in attendance in the pledge of allegiance to the Flag.

Public Comments:

There were no public comments.

Approval of Agenda Work Session & Meeting Minutes:

On a motion made by Glenn Wismer, seconded by Morgan Cowperthwaite the Board approved the minutes of the agenda work session held May 11, 2010. The motion carried unanimously.

On a motion made by Eric Schaffhausen, seconded by Glenn Wismer the Board approved the minutes of the monthly meeting held May 12, 2010. The motion carried unanimously.

Approval of the June Invoices:

On a motion made by Morgan Cowperthwaite, seconded by Glenn Wismer the Board approved the June invoices totaling \$600,528.61. The motion carried unanimously.

Subdivision and Land Development

Professional Service Contract: Wonsidler / Galla

The professional service contract is for a 2-lot subdivision of 29.5 acres located at 2476 Bedminster Road, TMP# 1-6-86. On a motion made by Eric Schaffhausen, seconded by Morgan Cowperthwaite the Board approved the Professional Service Contract for Sandra Wonsidler and Louise Galla. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion to Deny Request for Dedication: Heritage Builders – Bedminster Crossing Development

Based on the advice of the Township Solicitor Peter Nelson and the Township Engineer Tom Fountain both recommended a motion to deny the request for dedication and to authorize the Township's Engineer Tom Fountain to prepare and send a formal punch list to the Heritage Builders for the Bedminster Crossing Development by June 13, 2010.

On a motion made by Glenn Wismer, seconded by Eric Schaffhausen the Board denied the request for dedication of the Bedminster Crossing public improvements. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion to Deny Request for Dedication: Pulte Homes – Bedminster Square Development

Based on the advice of the Township Solicitor Peter Nelson and the Township Engineer Tom Fountain, both recommended a motion to deny the request for dedication and to authorize the Township's Engineer Tom Fountain to prepare and send a formal punch list to Pulte Homes for the Bedminster Square Development within 15 days.

On a motion made by Glenn Wismer, seconded by Morgan Cowperthwaite the Board denied the request for dedication of the Pulte Homes – Bedminster Square Development. The motion carried unanimously.

Escrow Release No. 4: Jaster Associates Land Development

Escrow Release No.4 for Jaster Associates Land Development was presented by the Township Engineer in the amount of \$59,970.13 based on the supply of materials and the construction of certain improvements. On a motion made by Eric Schaffhausen, seconded by Morgan Cowperthwaite the Board approved Escrow Release No. 4 for Jaster Associates. The motion carried unanimously.

Manager's Report

Award 2010 Bituminous Seal Coat Bid: Asphalt Industries

Three sealed bid contract proposals were received and opened at 10:00 a.m. on May 24, 2010 for the Bituminous Seal Coat of approximately 109,371 square yards on various township roads. Asphalt Industries, Chester, PA was the low bidder with a unit price of \$ 1.14 per square yard for a total contract of \$124,682.94.

On a motion made by Eric Schaffhausen, seconded by Morgan Cowperthwaite the Board awarded the bid for the 2010 Bituminous Seal Coat to Asphalt Industries. The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 2010-12: Amendment /Restated Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement

Resolution No. 2010-12 authorizing the Municipal Utility Alliance (MUA) to serve as a Consultant to bid and purchase certain utility products and services and allowing the Township to participate and purchase utility products and services through the Municipal Utility Alliance Program.

On a motion made by Eric Schaffhausen, seconded by Glenn Wismer the Board approved Resolution No. 2010-12 amending and appointing the Municipal Utility Alliance (MUA). The motion carried unanimously.

Traffic Signal Update: Routes 611 & 413

Township Engineer Tom Fountain received the revised design plan for the traffic signal at the intersections at Routes 611 and 413. PennDOT has required ADA crosswalks on the bank side of the intersection. Tom will send out the bid notice so the Board can award the bid for construction at the July agenda. The township is also continuing to look for state or federal funding to help pay for the new signal.

Authorization Bedminster Regional Land Conservancy: Miller Stewardship Endowment

The Bedminster Regional Land Conservancy Stewardship Endowment for the Miller Conservation Easement, 2729 Bedminster Road, TMP# 1-11-65 was presented for authorization at the one-time cost of

\$9,535. On a motion made by Eric Schaffhausen, seconded by Morgan Cowperthwaite the Board approved the Miller Stewardship Endowment. The motion carried unanimously.

Police Department Activity:

The Police Department's Activity Report for May is on file. Chief Ofner informed the board of a traffic accident at the Route 611 and Route 413, which was DUI, related. In addition, Chief Ofner reminded the public to be alert drivers as school closing for summer vacation begins next week.

Public Comments:

Kate Walters, 6942 Old Easton Road, Pipersville, appreciated the traffic signal update for the intersection of Route 611 and 413. Mrs. Walters was informed that PennDot is responsible for roadway patching on Dark Hollow Road and they should be contacted with any safety concerns.

David Costello, 221 Liberty Trail Court West, Bedminster Square was given a traffic signal update for the intersection of Route 313 and Croft Drive. In addition, a list of traffic accidents in Hilltown Township at the intersection was forwarded to Engineer David Horner.

Scott Wilson, 823 Kellers Church Road, and Mark Malon, 810 Kellers Church Road are requesting a speed study for Route 113 in the village of Bedminster and the east portion of Kellers Church Road. Mr. Wilson and Mr. Malon indicate numerous vehicles exceeding the speed limit of 35 mph. Chief Ofner stated that certain mandated signage is needed in order to enforce the posted speed limit on Kellers Church Road. The township will request a PennDOT speed study for both roadways, as well as the required signage for Kellers Church Road.

Bert Vazquez, 439 Buchanan Road, Cliffside Manor was updated on the status of the work that remains to be completed by the Township. The Chief will send Mr. Vazquez the results of the Buchanan Road speed study, which shows no vehicles exceeded the speed limit. Tom Fountain will check into who is responsible for maintaining the open space areas.

Jack Valente, 340 Pennington Way, Wickham Place was informed that Tom Fountain met with the Claim Officer for the bonding company to go over the punch list after the 18-month maintenance period. Tom will forward a copy of the list to Mr. Valente.

Adjournment:

There being no further business before the Board, Eric Schaffhausen made a motion, seconded by Morgan Cowperthwaite, to adjourn the meeting at 8:36 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean L. Herstine
Office Administrator
Secretary/Treasurer