

SWANCREEK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Regular meeting

Monday December 05, 2011

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:00pm

Board members present were Chairman, James H. Leu, Vice chairman Ron Holdeman, and Trustee Phil Wiland

Employee: Matt Stout

Fiscal Officer: Dawn Wheatley

Guests: Sally Wylie, Jim & Kathy Meyer, Phillip VanSkyock, Raul Fonseca, Ron & Pamela Moore, Bill Grimsley, Tom Sallows, Jim Gilliam, Thomas Keil and Dan Ridger.

134-11 Trustee Holdeman motioned to approve the November 21st, 2011 with a change in the vote for Trustee Wiland from abstain to yea on res. 128-11 Regular meeting minutes 2nd by Trustee Wiland.
Roll call: Wiland – Yea, Holdeman - Yea, Leu – Yea

135-11 Trustee Holdeman motioned to approve the expenditures in the amount of \$43,079.52 2nd by Trustee Wiland.

Roll call: Wiland – Yea, Holdeman - Yea, Leu – Yea

Trustee Wiland suggest we have Chris call the churches that we are donating to for their help in the tornado cleanup and ask that they attend the next meeting to be presented with the checks.

Public Forum

Mr. Raul Fonseca discussed a tile along his property that is plugged and needs cleaned out. Matt will check it out.

Mr. Keil has a drainage issue. The tile is bubbling out of the ground between the catch basin and the ditch at road EF and road 6-3. Matt will get information on placement and get the County Engineer involved.

Mr. Meyer: Intersection of road 5 and E South bound looking west can't see with the plow. Maintenance to look at trimming trees back to increase visibility. He is also concerned that the use has changed at WB Ranch and would like it looked into. Chris will notify Walt to look into it.

Employee Report

- Chambers on road 5 drainage issue discussed. Matt to notify Mr. Chambers that it is not a township road drainage issue so we can't help him.
- Mike Barnes on Circle Dr. has drainage issues Maintenance to look at.
- Road 4 Falor ditch: Basin is a mess and the ditch needs dug out.
- Catch basin riser on 5-2 at Brehm farm looks like a tractor ran over it and broke it. Trustee Holdeman is to talk to them about replacing it.
- Road EF Trees and boulders: Boulders moved but trees need moved also. Trustee Holdeman to talk to him let him know he has 10 days to comply.
- 2280 road 2 will be removing their stones also.
- Ted put the light on the spreader
- Fence at Keene Cemetery and Raker Cemetery needs replaced. Trustees to look at them.
- Kodiak Truck will be used strictly as a chip truck.
- Basin on road 2 uncovered maintenance to clean it out in the morning.

Administrative/ Financial

- Reviewed financial reports.
- Set organizational meeting date for January 2nd 2012 at 9:00am 1st regular meeting is scheduled for January 2nd at 7:00pm.
- Reviewed email from the County Engineer regarding Right of Way permit for Tri County.
- Call County Auditor to see what the Townships disbursement will be reduced.

Zoning

- Report Reviewed
 - Discussed Zoning Inspectors incident report regarding him being approached by someone with a gun.
- 136-11** Trustee Wiland motioned to have Walt file a police report regarding the 11-10-11 incident 2nd by Trustee Holdeman.
- Roll call: Wiland – Yea, Holdeman - Yea, Leu – Yea
 - Trustee Wiland spoke to Walt about the sign site inspections and they will not be billed to the Township.
 - Trustees reviewed the Zoning Board recommendations. Trustee Wiland would like to see the length of grass be 6 inches instead of 8 inches. Trustee Holdeman said regional planning uses 8 inches in theirs.
- 137-11** Trustee Wiland motioned to accept the Zoning Commission recommendation 2nd by Trustee Holdeman.
- Roll call: Wiland – Yea, Holdeman - Yea, Leu – Yea

138-11 Trustee motioned to reappoint Walt Lang to a new term to the zoning Board and Dave Smith to Board of Zoning Appeals both terms expiring on December 31, 2016
Roll call: Wiland – Yea, Holdeman - Yea, Leu – Yea

Fire

- Discussed Swanton Contract Chris to send a letter to Providence Fire Dept. and to County informing them of change in boundary. Ask for confirmation of receipt.
- 139-11** Trustee Wiland motioned to sign the 2012-2013 Swanton contract for Fire and Rescue 2nd by Trustee Holdeman.
Roll call: Wiland – Yea, Holdeman - Yea, Leu – Yea

Cemetery

- Signed deeds for Mr. & Mrs. Zeiter and Mr. & Mrs. Hopkins
- Discussed clean up of cemeteries.
- Dauwalter stone maintenance can not help him set the stone.

Old Business

- Zoning board expiration date issue was just a typo
 - Trustee Wiland suggests we put Road C project on hold. until March he spoke to Hayley she feels we may still get monies from OPWC.
- 140-11** Trustee Wiland motioned to rescind resolution #132-11 2nd by Trustee Holdeman.
Roll call: Wiland – Yea, Holdeman - Yea, Leu – Yea
- 141-11** Trustee Wiland motioned to have Hayley proceed with easement work with the OPWC project 2nd by trustee Holdeman.
Roll call: Wiland – Yea, Holdeman - Yea, Leu – Yea
Trustee Wiland motioned to go into executive session to discuss employee compensation 2nd by Trustee Holdeman. 8:25pm
Roll call: Wiland – Yea, Holdeman - Yea, Leu – Yea
Trustee Wiland motioned to come out of executive session to discuss employee compensation 2nd by Trustee Holdeman. 8:33pm
Roll call: Wiland – Yea, Holdeman - Yea, Leu – Yea
- Set special meeting for Thursday December 8th at 9:00am ask Chris to attend and post meeting on the door.

New Business

- Disbrow drainage issue not in our right of way Trustee Holdeman will talk to him.
- Trustee Holdeman motioned to adjourn 2nd by Trustee Leu.
Adjourn 8:37pm

Swan creek Township Board of Trustees

James H. Leu

Attest: Dawn Wheatley, Fiscal Officer
Entered: December 19, 2011

Ronald Holdeman

Phil Wiland