

Minutes of the Regular Meeting

of the South Park Township

Board of Supervisors

March 10, 2014

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Dave Buchewicz presiding. Board members Walt Sackinsky and Ed Snee were present. Also in attendance was: Karen Fosbaugh, Township Manager; Chief Dennis M. McDonough; and Jordanna Lehman, Administrative Assistant. Absent: Paul J. Gitnik, Esq., Township Solicitor.

Two or more members of the Board of Supervisors were together on the following occasions which may or may not qualify as an administrative action(s), conference(s) and/or executive sessions(s):

Wednesday, February 12, 2014 – Possibly during the meeting to discuss the study proposed by ACLA with regard to the consolidation of services.

Tuesday, February 18, 2014 – Possibly during the Police Pension Plan meeting.

Saturday, March 8, 2014 – Breakfast with Representative Kortz.

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT ANY ACTION APPROVED AND/OR DECISION RENDERED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AT THIS MEETING CAN BE APPEALED TO THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF ALLEGHENY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE DATE AND/OR THE DECISION IS RENDERED.

Call on the People

None.

Action on Minutes

Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to approve the minutes of the Public Hearing held on February 10, 2014, with regard to Ordinance No. 670, accepting the public improvements in the Bonnie Dell Plan No.2. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Action on Minutes

Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to approve the

minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors held on February 10, 2014. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Action on Invoices

Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to approve the invoices for February, 2014. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Action on Bids – 2014
Restoration of
McElheny Road
Bridge**

Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to accept the bids received on Tuesday, March 4, 2014, for the project identified as the 2014 Restoration of McElheny Road Bridge, and awarding the bid to the lowest responsible bidder being Lone Pine Construction Inc., in the amount of \$153,108.00, as recommended by the Project Engineer. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Mr. Buchewicz explained that this is shared with Jefferson Hills because it is a joint venture for improvements of the bridge.

**Action to Schedule
Nuisance Hearings –
Assorted Properties**

Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to schedule Public Hearings on April 14, 2014, for the purpose of determining if the following properties should be declared public nuisances and subject to the appropriate abatement procedures and/or fines and penalties as outlined in the Code of the Township of South Park:

Owner(s):

Location:

Virginia Carlini
Hearing Time: 6:30 p.m.

Cochrans Mill Road
Pittsburgh, PA 15236
Lot/Block 563-N-204

Don Group
Order of Owls Nest 1423
Hearing Time: 6:45 p.m.

1140 Cochrans Mill Road
Pittsburgh, PA 15236
Lot/Block 563-N-212

All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Ratify Resolution No.
3-14**

Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to ratify Resolution No. 3-14 – A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH PARK, ALLEGHENY COUNTY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA DESIGNATING KAREN F. FOSBAUGH TO PERFORM THE REQUIRED DUTIES BETWEEN SOUTH PARK TOWNSHIP AND THE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF ALLEGHENY COUNTY (“RAAC”) REGARDING THE CITF GRANT APPLICATION SUBMITTED FOR THE MCELHENY ROAD BRIDGE UPGRADE. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Action on Service Agreement – Pleasant Hills Municipal Authority

Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to table the Service Agreement by and among Pleasant Hills Authority, the Borough of Baldwin, the Borough of Pleasant Hills, the Borough of Whitehall and the Township of South Park which defines and provides for the allocation of costs among the Contracting Municipalities, based upon measure flow, related to the construction, maintenance, operation, repairs, including any modifications consistent with the requirements of the Consent Order issued by DEP, debt service, capital additions, and any other matters relative to the wastewater treatment plant and respective contributing communities' wastewater collection systems and authorizing the appropriate Township officials to execute said Agreement as recommended by legal counsel. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Action to Ratify Resignation of Library Page – Anthony J. Donatelli

Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to ratify the resignation of Anthony J. Donatelli from his part-time position as a Page with the South Park Township Library, retroactive to February 28, 2014. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Action to Ratify Hiring of Library Page – Chloe Teagardner

Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to ratify the hiring of Chloe Teagardner, Brownsville Road Extension, as a part-time Page with the South Park Township Library, at the rate of \$7.25 per hour, retroactive to February 10, 2014. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 4-14

Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to adopt Resolution No. 4-14 – A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH PARK, ALLEGHENY COUNTY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING AND SETTING CERTAIN FEES ADDRESSED IN CHAPTER A-141, FEES, AS AUTHORIZED BY ORDINANCE NO. 466 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH PARK. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Action on Training Request – Officer Joshua Indof – Introduction to Forensics

Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to authorize the attendance of Officer Joshua Indof to a training session sponsored by the Pennsylvania State Division entitled, "Introduction to Forensics," which will be held on March 25, 2014 in Dormont, PA, at a total cost of \$6.00. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Action on Training Request – Sgt. David Starzynski and Officer Jon Booth – FBI Interviewing &

Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to authorize the attendance of Sgt. David Starzynski and Officer Jon Booth to a training session entitled, "FBI Interviewing & Interrogation Course," to be held on March 25, 2014 in Pittsburgh, PA at a total cost of \$12.00. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Interrogation Course

Action on Training Request – Sgt. David Starzynski – Warrior’s Edge

Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to authorize the attendance of Sgt. David Starzynski to a training session hosted by the Allegheny County Housing Police Department & Boroughs and Townships Police Association entitled, “The Warrior’s Edge,” scheduled for April 29, 2014, at Broughton Volunteer Fire Department, at no cost to the Township. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Mr. Buchewicz asked Chief McDonough to explain this course. Chief McDonough explained that the course is an officer’s survival class that includes early warning signs of the criminals with edge weapons and court precedents. Chief McDonough explained that edge weapons are knives or glass, any weapon with an edge.

Action on Training Request – Gary Wargo, Code Enforcement Officer

Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to authorize the attendance of M. Gary Wargo to a training session sponsored by the Pennsylvania Construction Codes Academy entitles, “PCCA Resident Energy Plan Reviews & Inspections,” to be held on March 20, 2014, in Monroeville, PA at a total cost of \$40.00. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Mr. Buchewicz asked Mr. Wargo to explain this course. Mr. Wargo explained that with new homes, there is a code that requires a certain “R” rating. This class will instruct on how to rate these homes.

Action on Assessment Change Reimbursements for 2013 – Lawrence P. Arrigo, Tax Collector

Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to authorize assessment change reimbursements for the 2013 tax year due to successful appeals at the County level, as requested by Lawrence P. Arrigo, Tax Collector, in correspondence dated February 24, 2014. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Action on Resignation of Recreation Board Member – Sandie Wolf

Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to accept the resignation of Sandie Wolf from her position on the South Park Township Recreation Board as of February 22, 2014. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Mr. Sackinsky explained that Sandie put in her resignation because she has moved out of the Township.

Police Chief’s Report

Police Chief’s Report for the month of February, 2014:

Calls for Service	686
Arrests	7
Traffic Citations	19
Parking Citations	5

Warnings Issued	50
Reportable Accidents	3
Non-Reportable Accidents	9
Fire Calls	8
Emergency Medical Assists to Tri-Community EMS	69
Deer Complaints	4

Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to accept the Police Chief's monthly report for February, 2014. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Supervisors'
Comments**

Mr. Snee – Mr. Snee explained that there was a resident on the missing Malaysia flight. So far there have been no substantial findings. He talked about the news media standing in the driveway of 1501 Leona Avenue with the address visible. He feels that this will open up opportunities for the “bad guys.” Mr. Snee asked that Chief provide extra patrol in this area on each shift. Chief said that extra patrols are already underway.

Mr. Sackinsky – No comments.

Mr. Buchewicz – No comments.

Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to continue the meeting to Monday, March 31, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. to investigate the Pleasant Hills Authority Service Agreement. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Time: 7:14 p.m.