

Minutes of the Regular Meeting

of the South Park Township

Board of Supervisors

April 14, 2014

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Dave Buchewicz presiding. Board members Walt Sackinsky and Ed Sneer were present. Also in attendance was: Karen Fosbaugh, Township Manager; Chief Dennis M. McDonough; and Jordanna Lehman, Administrative Assistant; and 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):

April 3-6, 2014 – Possibly during the ALOM Conference held at Seven Springs, PA.

April 12, 2014 – Possibly during the Easter Bunny Brunch.

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.

Presentation of Proclamation – Jake Wentzel

Mr. Sneer presented Jake Wentzel with a Proclamation recognizing his accomplishments in the sport of competitive wrestling and academics.

Presentation of Proclamation – Dallas Bulsak

Mr. Sneer presented Dallas Bulsak with a Proclamation recognizing his accomplishments in the sport of competitive wrestling and academics.

The South Park Wrestling Coach thanked the Board of Supervisors for honoring their accomplishments, being in the sport of wrestling. They are not acknowledged all the time like football, baseball or basketball. These gentlemen work hard all year long. This year was a good year, and next year they will be even better. The Coach said

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thanked the Board again. Mr. Snee explained that he has eight kids and four of them were wrestlers. They have to maintain their weight and keep QPA average to stay in sports. There are practices every evening, weekend tournaments, and evening tournaments. The Board is very supportive of what the school does and bringing out these men that represent the school district. He emphasized that these kids are the future. He wanted to thank them and he appreciates their accomplishments.

**Presentation of
Citation by State
Senator Matt Smith –
Banner Community
Status – South Park
Township**

State Senator Matt Smith – Senator Matt Smith said that it was an honor for him to be here to recognize the Township for its recognition as a Banner Community by the Allegheny League of Municipalities. It goes to what everyone does day in and day out for the Township and the transparency that is brought to the public and residents of South Park with the functions of government, the ability to communicate with the residents, and being proactive in solving problems. Senator Smith that that it was an honor to present the Township with a Citation on behalf of the State Senate. Senator Smith read from the Citation that South Park Township was designated a 2014 Banner Community by the Allegheny League of Municipalities. ALOM designates Banner Communities as municipalities that implement best practices in all aspects of their operations and governing in an inclusive and collaborative manner. The municipalities' elected and appointed officials must participate in educational training programs through ALOM, Local Government Academy, or the Department of Community and Economic Development and be active members in ALOM and County associations. The officials must conduct a local government week activity, effective citizen communication program, active members in good standing with a council of governments, and participate in at least one shared municipal service. Senator Smith continued that the Citation said that South Park Township is truly deserving of recognition and praise and setting a standard for how local government should function. Senator Smith congratulated the Township on a job well done.

Representative Bill Kortz, 38th District – Representative Bill Kortz said that on behalf of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives he presented South Park Township with a recognition citation from Representative Saccone and a Legislative Acknowledgement on the behalf of himself, recognizing South Park as a Banner Community as designated by the Allegheny League of Municipalities and the Allegheny County Chief Executive Officer Rich Fitzgerald. Representative Kortz commends the fine leaders of South Park on a job well done.

Mr. Buchewicz asked if Senator Smith and Representative Kortz would help them look at the Cochrans Mill Road Corridor that was previously discussed in the Public Hearings.

- Call on the People** None.
- 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 March 10, 2014. 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 continued to March 31, 2014. All members voted aye. Motion carried.
- Action on Invoices** Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to approve the invoices for March, 2014. All members voted aye. Motion carried.
- Action Release of Road Bond – Geokinetics USA, Inc. – Seismic Testing** Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to approve the request submitted by Geokinetics USA, Inc. for the release of Bond No. B008319, in the amount of \$50,000, posted to guarantee the condition of the roadways within South Park Township on which seismic testing activities had been conducted, and further authorizing the release of said Bond funds, as recommended by the Director of Public Works. All members voted aye. Motion carried.
- Action on Non-Exclusive License Agreement – Gerald J. and Rose M. Turzak – 2525 Bonnie Dell Drive** Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to approve the Non-Exclusive License Agreement by and between the Township of South Park (Grantor), and Gerald J. and Rose M. Turzak (Grantees), to permit the construction of a shed over a storm sewer easement located on Lot No. 213 of the Bonnie Dell Plan No. 2, Lot and Block No. 884-B-28, being 2525 Bonnie Dell Drive, and authorizing the appropriate Township officials to execute said Agreement. All members voted aye. Motion carried.
- Action on Non-Exclusive License Agreement – Richard Bahorich – 1657 Connor Drive** Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to approve the Non-Exclusive License Agreement by and between the Township of South Park (Grantor), and Richard Bahorich (Grantee), to permit the construction of a portion of an asphalt pad over a sanitary sewer easement located on lot No. 1568 of the Piney Forks Village Plan No. 15, Lot and Block No. 1007-K-189, being 1657 Connor Drive, and authorizing the appropriate Township officials to execute said Agreement. All members voted aye. Motion carried.
- Action on Waiver Request – Humes** Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to approve the request of Seems Grand Investments, LLC, the Developer for the

**Consolidation Plan –
970 Cochrans Mill
Road**

property located at 970 Cochrans Mill Road, which is the site of the former Broughton Elementary School, to grant a waiver to Section 118.12.4.1 of the Code of the Township of South Park, being the Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance, that requires topography contours on the mylar plan. The reason for the request is that Allegheny County Economic Development specifically cites that topography contours are **not** to be shown on mylar plans, as recommended by the Township Engineer, Planning Consultant and Planning Commission. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Action on Minor
Consolidation
Subdivision – Humes
Consolidation Plan**

Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to approve granting preliminary and final approval to the minor consolidation subdivision plan identified as the Humes Consolidation Plan, as submitted by the Developer, Seems Grand Investments, LLC, for the property identified as the former Broughton Elementary School located at 970 Cochrans Mill Road, as recommended by the Township Engineer, Planning Consultant and Planning Commission. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Action on Minor
Land Development –
Seems Grand
Investments, LLC –
970 Cochrans Mill
Road**

Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to approve granting preliminary and final approval to the minor land development submitted by the Developer, Seems Grand Investments, LLC, for the proposed project to be located at 970 Cochrans Mill Road, being the site of the former Broughton Elementary School, subject to the following conditions:

A. A Highway Occupancy Permit must be obtained from Allegheny County prior to the onset of any construction activities.

B. A fully executed Developer's Agreement accompanied by the required bonds and escrow fees must be in place prior to the onset of any construction activities.

All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Action on Public
Nuisance – Virginia
Carlini – Cochrans
Mill Road –
Lot/Block 563-N-204**

Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to table until a meeting with the DEP and other government officials can be held, declaring the following property a public nuisance, and proceeding with the abatement of said nuisance, and/or the appropriate fines and penalties as outlined in the Code of the Township of South Park:

Owners(s):

Virginia Carlini

Location:

Cochrans Mill Road
Pittsburgh, PA 15236
Lot/Block No. 563-N-204.

All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Action on Public Nuisance – Don Group/Order of Owls Nest 1423 – 1140 Cochrans Mill Road

Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to table until a meeting with the DEP and other government officials can be held, declaring the following property a public nuisance, and proceeding with the abatement of said nuisance, and/or the appropriate fines and penalties as outlined in the Code of the Township of South Park:

Owners(s):

Location:

Don Group
Order of Owls Nest 1423

1140 Cochrans Mill Road
Pittsburgh, PA 15236
Lot/Block No. 563-N-212.

All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 5-14

Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to approve Resolution No. 5-14 – A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH PARK, ALLEGHENY COUNTY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, DECLARING APRIL 14-18, 2014 AS LOCAL GOVERNMENT WEEK. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 6-14

Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to approve Resolution No. 6-14 – A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH PARK, ALLEGHENY COUNTY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE CONSENT ASSESSMENT OF CIVIL PENALTY FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Revised First Amendment to Consent Order and Agreement – Pleasant Hills Sewage Treatment Plant

Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to approve the First Amendment to Consent Order and Agreement, as received from the DEP under transmittal letter dated April 3, 2014, by and between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Environmental Protection (“Department”) and Pleasant Hills Authority (“Authority”), the Borough of Baldwin, the Borough of Pleasant Hills, South Park Township, and the Borough of Whitehall, hereinafter the “Contracting Municipalities,” which provides for an amendment to the original Consent Order and Agreement relative to the implementation of new corrective actions by the Contributing Communities, as well as stipulated civil penalties, and authorizing the appropriate Township officials to execute said Agreement. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

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**Action on Proposal
for Engineering
Services – Floodplain
Ordinance Revisions
– HRG**

Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to approve the Proposal submitted by the engineering firm Herbert, Rowland and Grubic, Inc. with regard to amending South Park Township's current floodplain regulations to comply with Section 60.3 of the National Flood Insurance Program, at the cost of \$4,250.00. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Action on Purchase
of Computer
Equipment and
Installation for the
Real Estate Tax
Collector**

Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to authorize the purchase of computer equipment and the related installation of same by the firm Logi-Tek for use by the Real Estate Tax Collector, Lawrence P. Arrigo, in the amount of \$2,817.45. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 7-14

Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to approve Resolution No. 7-14 – A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH PARK, ALLEGHENY COUNTY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES (“DEPARTMENT”) FOR THE PROJECT IDENTIFIED AS MONTOUR TRAIL CONSTRUCTION – PLEASANT STREET TO WOOD STREET. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Action on Certified
Playground Safety
Inspector Course –
William Torre**

Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to authorize the attendance of Public Works employee William Torre to a training session sponsored by the PA Recreation & Park Society entitled, “Certified Playground Safety Inspector,” which is scheduled for May 12 – 14, 2014, to be held in Cranberry Township at a total cost of \$675.00. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Action on Assessment
Change
Reimbursements –
Various Tax Years –
Lawrence P. Arrigo,
Property Tax
Collector**

Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to authorize assessment change reimbursements for various tax years due to successful appeals at the County level, as requested by Lawrence P. Arrigo, Tax Collector, in correspondence dated April 7, 2014. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Action on Part-Time
Employees – 2014
Summer Recreation
Program**

Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to authorize the employment of the following individuals in a part-time capacity to fill various positions in the 2014 Summer Recreation Program:

| <u>Name:</u> | <u>Hourly Rate:</u> | <u>Date of Hire:</u> |
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| Gary Gilligan | \$15.00/Hour | June 9, 2014 |

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| Matt Casfamento | \$15.00/Hour | June 9, 2014 |
| Jason Molitor | \$15.00/Hour | June 23, 2014 |
| Gretchen Klein | \$ 7.25/Hour | June 9, 2014 |
| Krista Mosi | \$ 7.25/Hour | June 9, 2014 |
| George Loefflebein | \$ 7.25/Hour | June 9, 2014 |
| Drew Ohm | \$ 7.25/Hour | June 9, 2014 |
| Victoria Kraemer | \$ 7.25/Hour | June 9, 2014 |
| Nicole Evans | \$ 7.25/Hour | June 9, 2014 |
| Mikaela Tranter | \$ 7.25/Hour | June 9, 2014 |
| Mikaela Ridgeway | \$ 7.25/Hour | June 9, 2014 |
| Emily D'Amico | \$ 7.25/Hour | June 9, 2014 |
| Lynnsey Ohm | \$ 7.25/Hour | June 9, 2014. |

All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Police Chief's Report Police Chief's Report for the month of March, 2014:

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| Calls for Service | 782 |
| Arrests | 11 |
| Traffic Citations | 25 |
| Parking Citations | 5 |
| Warnings Issued | 33 |
| Reportable Accidents | 2 |
| Non-Reportable Accidents | 6 |
| Fire Calls | 19 |
| Emergency Medical Assists to Tri-Community EMS | 78 |
| Deer Complaints | 7 |

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

**Supervisors'
Comments**

Mr. Snee – Mr. Snee wanted to thank Township Manager Karen Fosbaugh and the Recreation Board for a very successful Easter Bunny event that was held this Saturday. The weather was great. Mr. Snee spoke with Colleen Dominick, Recreation Director, and she said there were 114 registered, but he believes that there were almost 170. He congratulates Ms. Fosbaugh for her efforts and to please extend a thank you to the Recreation Board for an excellent job, like they usually do.

Mr. Sackinsky – Mr. Sackinsky wanted to thank Karen because he thinks that we are the only Township where the Manager serves as the Easter Bunny once a year. He also wanted to acknowledge, that we received this Banner Community, and Karen gathers all of the information to apply for this. There were a lot of items needed to

participate and was brought up by Dave. Karen researches a lot of that and South Park Township is now recognized as a Banner Community. Ms. Fosbaugh would also like to thank Jordanna as well. Mr. Sackinsky noted that sometimes there are hours of work involved for these items, like grants, Karen and Jordanna work on them. It is nice to get the money, but there is a lot of work into getting them. He said we are appreciative and it helps the community.

Mr. Buchewicz – Mr. Buchewicz said that all of the employees are a part of this whole picture. The various Boards and Commissions and employees make up a full team effort here. That is one of the reasons we get some of these awards. The Board is appreciative of the employees and the various committees.

Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Sackinsky, seconded by Mr. Snee to adjourn the meeting. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Time: 7:54 p.m.