

Union Township Board of Supervisors  
Regular Monthly Meeting  
June 9, 2008

The Board of Supervisors Meeting was called to order by Chairman Steve Parish at 7:06 pm. The meeting was held at the Union Township Municipal Building, 3904 Finley-Elrama Road, Finleyville, PA. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Board Members in Attendance were Steve Parish, George Cheplic, Scott Tkach, Larry Spahr and Linda Evans. Also in attendance: Carl Dei Cas-Township Engineer, Harold Ivery-Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer, Dennis Makel-Solicitor, Judith Taylor-Secretary/Treasurer.

Public Comment-

Chuck Wilson inquired if the UCC ordinance will be advertised for adoption at next month's board meeting; he also inquired about the Elrama Sewage Project financial data being included in the profit and loss statement of the General Fund

Paul Laur inquired on the status of the deteriorated drainage pipe on his property. Mr. Makel will obtain drawings for the McChain Estates subdivision from the Washington County Planning Commission for review of the storm water drainage issue.

Nancy Mercer asked if the fees paid to the solicitor for an item discussed at the May meeting will be removed from his invoice. Mr. Makel will remove this fee from his next invoice.

**Motion** to reimburse Dennis Makel for his attendance at the Chanceford Township airport hazard zoning legislation hearing in support of House Bill 2159, in the amount of \$1540.69 as the expense was covered by a motion in the minutes of February 11, 2008.

Motion by Larry Spahr, Second by Linda Evans

Roll Call Vote: Parish-yes, Cheplic-no, Tkach-no, Spahr-yes, Evans-yes. Motion carried

**Motion** to approve Payroll #10 dated May 16, 2008 in the amount of \$7,390.60 presented by the Secretary/Treasurer subject to being true and correct.

Motion by Larry Spahr, Second by George Cheplic

Roll Call Vote: Parish-yes, Cheplic-yes, Tkach-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-yes. Motion carried

**Motion** to approve Payroll #11 dated May 30, 2008 in the amount of \$7,790.13 as presented by the Secretary/Treasurer subject to being true and correct.

Motion by Larry Spahr, Second by Linda Evans

Roll Call Vote: Parish-yes, Cheplic-yes, Tkach-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-yes. Motion carried

The minutes were amended as follows: Page 2, paragraph 8 remove phrase "in reference to Lipinski Logging"; page 3, paragraph 8 should be Chevy Chase Street, Lew Street and McChain Road;

**Motion** to approve the minutes of May 12, 2008 as amended

Motion by Scott Tkach, Second by Larry Spahr

Roll Call Vote: Parish-yes, Cheplic-yes, Tkach-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-yes. Motion carried.

**Motion** to adopt the Memorandum of Understanding between Union Township and Teamsters Local #205 for settlement of Grievance 6498

*Board Approved 7/14/08*

Motion by Larry Spahr, Second by Scott Tkach

Roll Call Vote: Parish-yes, Cheplic-yes, Tkach-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-yes. Motion carried.

**Motion** to make payment to the police officers as required for the sick days and Grievance 6498 in the amount of \$77,665.20 per decision of PA Commonwealth Court on November 7, 2007

Motion by Larry Spahr, Second by George Cheplic

Roll Call Vote: Parish-yes, Cheplic-yes, Tkach-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-yes. Motion carried

**Motion** to pay outstanding bills totaling \$32,818.50 from General Fund as of 06/09/08 as presented by the Secretary/Treasurer subject to being true and correct

Motion by Larry Spahr, Second by Linda Evans

Roll Call Vote: Parish-yes, Cheplic-yes, Tkach-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Parish abstained from voting on those items pertaining to the Finleyville airport.

The bids received for the 2008 paving project were opened and read as follows:

TA Robinson Asphalt	\$282,040
El Grande Industries Inc	\$246,500
A. Folino Construction Inc	\$261,652 No bid bond included, rejected as non-responsive
Morgan Excavating	\$257,735
Victor Paving and Construction Inc	\$233,500
Peter J. Caruso & Sons, Inc	\$317,760
Ellis Asphalt Paving Inc	\$250,800
Donegal Construction Corporation	\$256,340

**Motion** to award bid to Victor Paving and Construction, lowest bidder, in the amount of \$233,500 for paving of Chevy Chase Street, Lew Street, and McChain Road with 1-1/2 inch Superpave compacted per Penndot specifications, and replace seven (7) catch basins on Chevy Chase Street, subject to review and approval of Rick Skovensky, Penndot Municipal Services representative

Motion by Larry Spahr, Second by George Cheplic

Roll Call Vote: Parish-yes, Cheplic-yes, Tkach-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-yes. Motion carried

**Motion** to adopt Ordinance 2008-5 in obligation of debt of \$4,393,292 to Pennvest

Motion by Larry Spahr, Second by Linda Evans

Roll Call Vote: Parish-yes, Cheplic-yes, Tkach-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-yes. Motion carried.

**Motion** to authorize the solicitor to prepare a resolution to approve the use of \$1000 tap fee for the Elrama Sewer Project

Motion by Larry Spahr, Second by Linda Evans

Roll Call Vote: Parish-yes, Cheplic-yes, Tkach-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-yes. Motion carried.

**Motion** to authorize the solicitor to gain right of entry for contractors and petition for deposit of monies for right-of-ways

Motion by Larry Spahr, Second by Linda Evans

Roll Call Vote: Parish-yes, Cheplic-yes, Tkach-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-yes. Motion carried.

**Motion** to authorize the solicitor to prepare ordinance for execution of Commonwealth Bank interim financing commitment

Motion by Larry Spahr, Second by George Cheplic

Roll Call Vote: Parish-yes, Cheplic-yes, Tkach-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-yes. Motion carried

**Motion** to authorize solicitor to contact Rural Utility Service to set up a meeting for information on availability of low interest loans and grants for residents in the Elrama Sewer Project  
Motion by Scott Tkach, Second by Larry Spahr  
Roll Call Vote: Parish-yes, Cheplic-yes, Tkach-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-yes. Motion carried.

**Motion** to authorize solicitor to prepare addendums to contractor agreements to reflect increased costs due to delay in construction of the Elrama Sewer Project  
Motion by George Cheplic, Second by Larry Spahr  
Roll Call Vote: Parish-yes, Cheplic-yes, Tkach-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-yes. Motion carried.

**Motion** to authorize the solicitor to review the current holding tank ordinance and the model ordinance from the DEP regarding a pumping schedule procedure, and to draw up necessary documents to delegate this responsibility to the WCSC  
Motion by Scott Tkach, Second by Larry Spahr  
Roll Call Vote: Parish-yes, Cheplic-yes, Tkach-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-yes. Motion carried.

The solicitor will supply the ordinance to establish a three-way stop sign at the intersection of Tuscany Drive and Patterson Road for the next meeting

The Board will supply dates and short lists of candidates for the positions of Zoning Officer and Road Crew Laborer to the secretary to set up interviews

The solicitor will advertise the UCC ordinance for adoption at the next Board meeting.

**Motion** to give tentative approval of the resolution for the Orchard Hill plan of lots subject to approval of engineer and payment of all administrative fees  
Motion by Larry Spahr, Second by George Cheplic  
Roll Call Vote: Parish-yes, Cheplic-yes, Tkach-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-yes. Motion carried

**Motion** to authorize the Chairman and Road Foreman to obtain quotes for guiderail for approximately 420 feet on Pleasant View Road and approximately 1100 feet on Gilmore Road  
Motion by Scott Tkach, Second by Larry Spahr  
Roll Call Vote: Parish-yes, Cheplic-yes, Tkach-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-yes. Motion carried.

The Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission has scheduled a hearing on its Agricultural Lands Condemnation Approval Board for August 6, 2008. The Township will forward a copy of the Agricultural Security Committee comments to the Commission.

Mr. Parish will obtain quotes for two new dump trucks with and without the option of trade-in of the two old 2001 trucks for the next meeting.

Two quotes were received for the repair or replacement of the roll-up door on the concession stand at Brownsville Road Park: 1. Overhead Door-repair--\$1408, replacement--\$1611; 2. Mon Valley Garage Door- replacement--\$2100.

**Motion** to have the roll-up door at the Brownsville Road Park concession stand repaired by Overhead Door for a cost of \$1,408  
Motion by Scott Tkach, Second by Larry Spahr  
Roll Call Vote: Parish-yes, Cheplic-yes, Tkach-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-yes. Motion carried.

Ms. Evans reported on the cleanup done at Brownsville Road park by the Neighbor to Neighbor group and local Boy Scout troop and the security lights purchased with the DCED grant funds. The Board discussed the addition of security cameras and adding a quantity to the quote for guiderail to block access to certain areas of the park. Mr. Makel donated \$1275 from his fees for attendance at the Chanceford Township hearing to the purchase of safety devices for the park.

**Motion** to approve a fireworks display at the Finleyville VFD Fireman's Carnival on July 25, 2008 subject to receipt of a certificate of insurance

Motion by George Cheplic, Second by Larry Spahr

Roll Call Vote: Parish-yes, Cheplic-yes, Tkach-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-yes. Motion carried.

**Motion** to accept with regret the resignation of Barb Fitterer from the Union Township Planning Commission effective June 6, 2008

Motion by Scott Tkach, Second by Larry Spahr

Roll Call Vote: Parish-yes, Cheplic-yes, Tkach-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-yes. Motion carried.

**Motion** to accept applications for the opening on the Planning Commission until July 13, 2008

Motion by Scott Tkach, Second by Larry Spahr

Roll Call Vote: Parish-yes, Cheplic-yes, Tkach-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Tkach presented a draft request for proposals for grant writing services for the Board's review.

Public Comments-None

**Motion** to go into executive session for personnel reasons and possible litigation (Time 9:45 p.m.)

Motion by Larry Spahr, Second by George Cheplic

Roll Call Vote: Parish-yes, Cheplic-yes, Tkach-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-yes. Motion carried

Returned from executive session at 10:25 p.m. Mr. Makel stated the discussion concerned Adventure/Kingsfield, police grievance and airport zoning.

**Motion** to adjourn the meeting (10:26 p.m.)

Motion by Scott Tkach, Second by Larry Spahr

Roll Call Vote: Parish-yes, Cheplic-yes, Tkach-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-yes. Motion carried.

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Judith L. Taylor, Secretary