

Londonderry Township Board of Supervisors

Meeting Minutes

October 3, 2011

The Londonderry Township Board of Supervisors held their regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, October 3, 2011, at the Municipal Building, 783 South Geyers Church Road, Middletown, Pennsylvania, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Anna Dale, Chairwoman
Andy Doherty, Vice-Chairman
Daryl LeHew, Member
Ronald Kopp, Member
Steve Letavic, Township Manager
Darrin Robinson, Zoning Officer
Beth Graham, Office Manager
Peter Henninger, Solicitor
Andrew Kenworthy, Engineer

Absent: William Kametz, Member; Deana Corrigan, Treasurer; Mike Johnson, Golf Course Manager; John Kesler, Public Works Director

REGULAR MEETING

Salute the Flag

TMI Golf Tournament Check Presentation – Ralph DeSantis

Ralph DeSantis, Exelon Communications Manager, presented a check in the amount of \$50,000.00 to the Board of Supervisors. The golf tournament is in its 6th year and has raised over \$300,000.00 for the Londonderry Township Emergency Services.

Mr. DeSantis also informed the board that during the recent flooding from Tropical Storm Lee there was no threat to TMI as it sat high and dry from the river water.

Citizen's Input

Martha Weaver, 3078 Steinruck Road, stormwater drain at their house clogs and becomes dangerous to unclog. Would like a catch basin to help keep debris out and water flowing.

Lisa Brubaker, 1211 Foxianna Road, people are driving too fast on Foxianna not paying attention to road closed signs and kids playing on the road where the bridge is out are going to get hurt.

Alfred Turjan, 1218 Foxianna Road, requested traffic be stopped before they get to the blind hill where kids are playing at the bridge.

Approval of Work Session Minutes – September 20, 2011

Mr. Doherty motioned to approve the September 20, 2011 minutes as presented, along with the Emergency Meeting Minutes from September 9th and 11th, as recorded by Cindy Hershey, Mr. LeHew seconded. Motion approved.

Manager's Report – Steve Letavic

Budget Update

Mr. Letavic reported that the budget has been distributed to the Board members for review.

Treasurer's Report – Steve Letavic

Payment of Bills

Mr. Letavic requested approval to pay invoices in the amount of:

General Fund	\$78,724.56
Golf Course	\$39,076.58
Escrow	\$1,475.00
Liquid Fuels	\$4,169.89

Mr. Kopp motioned to approve payment of invoices as requested, Mr. Doherty seconded.
Motion approved.

Department Reports

Zoning & Codes – Darrin Robinson

Mr. Robinson reported 13 families have been displaced from their homes along Swatara Creek Road due the recent flooding.

Mr. Letavic reported that at this time 11 residents would like to participate in the Hazard Mitigation Buy-Out Program, letters of interest are on file in the Municipal office for those wanting to participate. Mr. Letavic informed the board that in the past the Federal Government paid 75% and the state paid 25% of the homes in the buyout program. At this time the state is saying they will not be picking up the 25% which would leave the township responsible. The cost to the township would be approximately \$700,000.00.

Public Works – John Kesler

Mr. Kesler provided a report of work completed in September and a schedule of upcoming work for October.

Golf Course

Mike Johnson submitted a report of activity for the month of September and upcoming activities in October.

Mr. Henninger reported that he and Sam Risteff reviewed the golf course bids.

Mr. Kopp motioned to accept the bids as presented for Herbicides & Insecticides, Mr. LeHew seconded. Motion approved.

Mr. LeHew motioned to accept the bids as presented for Fungicides, Mr. Doherty seconded. Motion approved.

Mr. Doherty motioned to accept the bids as presented for Grass Seed & Fertilizer, Mr. Kopp seconded. Motion approved.

Solicitor – Peter Henninger

Mr. Henninger reminded the Board of the upcoming Noise Exemption Public Hearing with the LCB that will take place on October 18, 2011 at 10:00am at the Municipal Building.

EMA – Sam Naples

No Report

Engineer – Andrew Kenworthy

Bids were received for the bridge repairs, recommendation letter was sent over with two potential contractors depending if the Board wanted to include the alternates. The Foxianna Road bridge design and permitting work has been started.

Old Business - None

New Business

Ron Kopp spoke on behalf of the farming community asking the residents for patience as the farmers attempt to harvest crops, informing everyone that farmers will attempt to clean up the top soil as it gets drug from the fields in these wet conditions.

Mr. LeHew thanked the Dauphin County Commissioners for thinking of Londonderry Township throughout the flooding and cleanup by sending volunteers and reaching out to us to help our residents.

Executive Session

Mrs. Dale adjourned the meeting for an Executive Session at 8:06pm.

The regular meeting reconvened at 9:35pm.

Mr. LeHew motioned to adjourn at 9:36pm, Mr. Kopp seconded. Motion approved.

**Londonderry Township
Emergency Meeting**
Emergency Management Agency and Board of Supervisors
Tropical Storm Lee Flooding
September 9, 2011

Present:

Sam Naples, Daryl Lehew, Cindy Hershey, Steve Letavic, John Kesler, Ron Kopp

- Sam gave an update on what's going on in the township.
- Engle Road – County Bridge – will come down next week from DC Commissions
- Open EOC at 8AM until Midnight everyday
- Swatara Creek Residents – Two families off Red Bridge Road would not evacuate. Pittsburgh Strike Force Team showed up and helped.
 - Mother and children went willingly, father put up a fight
- All homes are underwater – 7 homes on other side of the bridge.
- Water street – evacuated with no problems, road is closed.
- Some areas are actually sending them bills – Township might look into it.
- 441 by Pecks Road – Big pothole – people move barricades
 - We need to get license plate numbers and we can turn them into the PSP
- EOC is compiling road damage and bridge damage reports.
 - As well as man hours and gasoline amounts
- We will be open 8AM – Midnight

- We evacuated 6 people but they found shelters
- We are going into recovery mode – what do they do with carpets, etc. Do we get dumpsters? Sam is not sure if federal aid is there
- Tax assessment will be going out to evaluate. HRG will work with John Kesler & Steve Letavic. Probable opinion of costs. Township will complete forms to submit to the state.
- Safety: Did you contact school districts? We need to follow up. Sam called the principal.
- We will give to schools, EMS & Fire Company
- John Kesler – notifies transportation of school district.
- Email, faxes & phone numbers of people we contact during disaster.
- PaDot is fixing 441, quick fix river side with guardrail hanging
- A meeting with PaDot & Township officials needs to happen. If PaDot closes roads, this must be communicated with EMA and road crew.
- Met-Ed – No power. Cathy – Steve contacted. Fuses out. Power restored.
- Verizon and Comcast – triage always
- EMA has until next Friday to submit all info to county
- No fatalities – thank goodness.

**Londonderry Township
Emergency Meeting**

Emergency Management Agency and Board of Supervisors
Tropical Storm Lee Flooding
September 11, 2011
5:00pm

Present:

Sam Naples, EMA Director
Les Gilbert, EMA Ass't. Director
Cindy Hershey, EMA Secretary
Steve Letavic, Township Manager
John Kesler, Public Works Director
Bart Shellenhamer, Fire Chief
Daryl Lehew, Board of Supervisors
Andy Doherty, Board of Supervisors
Bill Kametz, via phone, Board of Supervisors

Sam Naples gave updates:

- Swatara Creek Road – Woman wants to sell out – did not want to the first time.
 - Steve: Contemplative grant to submit forms, the board of directors would not make decision today, they will discuss.
- Wells are contaminated – they have forms to give out to people in need.
- Red Cross & Salvation Army – 441 and Swatara Creek Road Residents – Lunch Wagon and cleaning supplies will be present.
- We got delivery of bottled water – 120 cases – to distribute.
 - Census population by county – all residents are taken into consideration
 - Swatara Creek Rd and Water St. will be the first considered.
- One house had the door kicked in. We requested Army National Guard. You need your local resources first.
 - PSP did go into Swatara Creek Road last night and they cleaned out the people

- Fire Police did patrol area – they requested Sunday night. National Guard stays no later than 8PM
- Fire Police did get license plates on several cars – Township will submit to police.
- Debris – wood products to Zeager Brothers. The rest will go to their local waste management.
- Last flood – we did put dumpsters on Swatara Creek Road. Steve will reach out to XS Waste Transport. (75% Fed, 25% State)
- Bart – John can provide space – Fire Company can burn every 2 days
- Anna Dale – can we investigate with county & waste haulers to see what they are going to do
- Andy Doherty - Supervisors need at least 2 hours notice if a meeting is needed.
- John – Briefed members on road issues
- 13 bridges need professionally inspected.
- 3 county bridges need inspected.
- John will notify school district about road and bridge problems.
- Website will be updated with important information.