

**Liberty Township Board of Supervisors
39 Topper Road
Fairfield, PA 17320**

***Regular Monthly Meeting
February 22, 2011***

Supervisors' Remarks: .

Minutes of the *January 3, 2011* meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report was accepted by the Supervisors.

Approval of bills:

Mr. Bostek made a motion to pay the bills as stated, seconded by Mr. Jackson and passed unanimously.

Public Participation: None

Solicitor – None.

Police Officer's Report – Corporal Hansen read this report.

Zoning Officer's Report – Mr. Bostek read this report and stated Mr. Hopkins issued four (4) Land Use permits and he and worked 10 hours for the month.

Roadmaster Report- Mr. Jackson read this report and stated Mr. Arentz plowed snow from township roads. Changed oil in the police cars, installed a new sign on Terry Lane and burned brush at the shop.

Planning Commission Report – None

Old Business:

Liberty Estates - The Supervisors of Liberty Township granted Wormald LLC Conditional Approval for the Liberty Estates Subdivision at the February 22nd, 2011 Supervisors Meeting.

The basis of these conditions is taken from a KPI Engineering Comments memo dated February 15th, 2011 (copy attached). KPI is the engineering firm that represents Liberty Township.

The following are the items to be addressed in this conditional approval:

The following comments / issues do not have to be completed until the submission of the Final Plan:

A - Stormwater Management – starting on Page #2 of the KPI Document

- #1 – The requirements of this item do not have to be completed until the submission of the Liberty Estates Final Plan.

B - General – starting on Page #3

- #2 – The Township will issue a waiver for to the scale size on the Preliminary Plan. Pre-established plan sizes must be adhered to for the submission of the Final Plan.

The following comments / issues have been completed:

C - Stormwater Management – starting on Page #2 of the KPI Document

- #3 – The Township acknowledges that the small amount of water run off is insignificant and the issue is resolved.
- #6 - The Township acknowledges that this is resolved.
- #7 – The comments submitted by Wormald will be changed and reissued to read the 25 year flood zone rather than the 100 flood zone. The item is resolved.

D - General – starting on Page #3

- #1 – The ACOPD comments are a non issue.

The following comments / issues have to be completed for the Preliminary Plan to receive Full Approval:

- #2 – Wormald LLC will place additional notes on the front cover of the resubmitted Preliminary Plan and on the Stormwater Management document.
- #4 – Part A – Several study points (approximately 5) will be selected by Wormald LLC and submitted to KPI for review. Upon approval of these points Wormald LLC will run new calculations of pre vs. post water run off and submit the documentation to KPI and the Township for review. Based on the results some of the retention ponds may require modification.
- #4 – Part B – Wormald LLC will re-established flow rates from meadow to lawn (curve 71 to 74). New time of concentration information will be measured and reported to KPI and the Township for review.
- #5 – Part A - The Water Quality Volume calculation will be re-examined. There is a significant difference in the calculation results produced by KPI and Wormald LLC. Each organization will review their process of calculations as part of the resolution process.
- #5 – Part B - Also, there is an open issue regarding the concept of proposed permanent ponds which still requires discussion and recommendation to the Township.
- #8 – Quite of bit of time was spent on discussion of this issue. The primary objective of Wormald LLC would be to have Mr. & Mrs. Ruppert sign a temporary easement to allow culvert replacement to ease water flow problems on Crum Road. Alternative

plans of action were also discussed and will be addressed if Mr. and Mrs. Ruppert do not sign the temporary easement.

- #9 – New study points will address this open issue. New comments and data will be reported back to KPI and the Township for review.

New Business:

Junk Yard Permit Renewal- Mr. Dale Piper submitted a renewal application for his junk yard. Mr. Hopkins has inspected the property and recommends approval. **A motion by Mr. Bostek to renew Mr. Piper's Junk Yard Permit was seconded by Mr. Jackson and passed unanimously.**

Resolution 2011-R01 Township Fee Schedule- Mr. Hopkins, Zoning Officer would like to change the Land Use Fee back to a sliding scale rather a set fee for all homes. **A motion by Mr. Bostek to change the Land Use Permit fee to Residential - \$75.00 for the first \$50,000.00 of estimated project value plus, \$2.00 for each additional \$1,000.00 of estimated project value, and Commercial - \$2.00 for each \$1,000 of estimated projected value, was seconded by Mr. Jackson and passed unanimously.**

Resolution 2011-R02 Sewage Facilities Fee Schedule- Dominic Picarelli; KPI, recommends increasing the fees for the sewage facilities. The reimbursement from the DEP has decreased. **A motion by Mr. Bostek to approve the new sewage facilities fee schedule was seconded by Mr. Jackson and passed unanimously.**

Resolution 2011-R03 Eliminating Employee Contributions to the Police Pension Plan- Ms. Frishkorn stated this resolution must be passed yearly. **A motion by Mr. Bostek to approve the elimination of Employee Contributions to the Police Pension plan for 2010 was seconded by Mr. Jackson and passed unanimously.**

Resolution 2011-R04 Eliminating Employee Contributions to the Police Pension Plan- Ms. Frishkorn stated this resolution must be passed yearly. **A motion by Mr. Bostek to approve the Elimination of Employee Contributions to the Police Pension plan for 2011 was seconded by Mr. Jackson and passed unanimously.**

SPCA Donation- Ms. Frishkorn stated this years required donation to the SPCA was paid in full by Mr. Newton of Tract Road. The Board requested Ms. Frishkorn to send a thank you note.

Special Events Ordinance- The ordinance was discussed. **A motion to table by Mr. Bostek was seconded by Mr. Jackson and passed unanimously.**

Purchase Used SUV- Mr. Foscatto stated Chief Harvey has found a good deal on a Used 2008 Yukon for the price of \$19,500.00, minus \$500.00 for new tires. Mr. Foscatto and Chief Harvey road to New Freedom Township to inspect the vehicle and appears to a solid vehicle. Mr. Foscatto stated with the budget being so tight he recommends getting a Two (2) year loan for the purchase with the loan amount to be \$23,000.00 to equip the Yukon a Police Vehicle. Mr. Foscatto also stated being we would be purchasing the vehicle from another municipality we would not need to advertise. **A motion by Mr. Bostek to purchase the 2008 Yukon for a maximum amount of \$19,000.00 with approval of a loan amount of \$23,000.00 to be repaid over the course of two (2) years was seconded by Mr. Jackson and passed unanimously.**

Ford Expedition- Mr. Foscatto stated Chief Harvey has been approached by the Drug Task Force about possibly purchasing the Expedition. Solicitor Davis stated they must be a able to produce a letter stating they are qualifying entity with Section 1201((4)(iv)(A) of the Borough Code which permits such transfer without advertising for bids if it is sold to a county, city, borough, town, township, institution district, school district, volunteer fire company, volunteer ambulance service or volunteer

rescue squad located within the Borough. Mr. Foscatto stated he would have Chief Harvey look into that. **A motion by Mr. Bostek to sell the Ford Expedition to a qualifying entity for a minimum of \$1,500.00 was seconded by Mr. Jackson and passed unanimously.**

John Deere Backhoe- Mr. Foscatto stated the townships backhoe went out of commission permanently. As a result we received a rental from Plasterer Equipment with the option of purchase. The backhoe is a 2007 with 777 hours and is in excellent condition. Ms. Frishkorn received two (2) phone bids from other companies as required by law. Mr. Foscatto stated with much other research he would like to purchase the 2007 John Deere Backhoe with the rental amount included in the price for \$52,380.00 for the next five (5) years with payments of \$10,000.00 yearly. **A motion by Mr. Bostek to purchase the 2007 John Deere Backhoe from Plasterer Equipment with the lease agreement was seconded by Mr. Jackson and passed unanimously.**

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:30p.m. on a motion by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Bostek. Vote unanimous.

The next scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 1, 2011 at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

LeeEsta Frishkorn
Secretary/Treasurer