

LOWER PAXTON TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Minutes of Board Meeting held June 4, 2013

The business meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Lower Paxton Township was called to order at 7:33 p.m. by Chairman William B. Hawk, on the above date, in the Lower Paxton Township Municipal Center, 425 Prince Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Supervisors present in addition to Mr. Hawk were: David B. Blain, William C. Seeds, Sr., William L. Hornung, and Gary A. Crissman.

Also in attendance were George Wolfe, Township Manager; Steve Stine, Township Solicitor; Drannon Buskirk, Susquehanna River Basin Commission; David Ionni, Deaven Woods Developer; and Ted Robertson and Watson Fisher, SWAN.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Mr. Crissman led in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Crissman made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 20, 2013 business meeting. Mr. Blain seconded the motion, and a unanimous vote followed.

**Public Comment**

Ms. Arlene Stottlemeyer explained that she lives at 96 Eric Drive, off of Union Deposit Road, across from the Catholic Diocese. She questioned if the ruling applies to everyone to cut their grass and weeds. Mr. Hornung answered that there are certain conditions where it does not apply. Mr. Wolfe noted that it applies to the developable area of a lot as defined by the Township Zoning regulations. He noted that large lots and undeveloped lots are not required to mow to the standards set by the Property Maintenance Code.

Ms. Stottlemeyer noted at 96 Eric Drive, the last road in the development, Gem Craft Properties owns the land behind her home and the weeds and bushes are more than four feet high. She noted in 2009 and 2010, the Township cut the weeds, but in 2011 and 2012, the Township could not do it anymore as the owner went bankrupt. She noted that Eric Kessler owns the land along Union Deposit Road and in 2009 and 2010, the Township was able to get him to cut the weeds, but he has not cut them since 2010. She provided pictures for the Board members to view and explained that she has seen two cars on two occasions drive back into the area behind her home into the high weeds. She noted that she does not know what they are doing back there and she has never seen the cars drive out. She explained that she sees deer, fox, and it is not a safe place. She noted that she lives in a development of 55 age and over and some people can't get out of their homes. She explained if it was a wooded area it might be okay. She questioned what the Board of Supervisors can do to take care of this soon as the weeds are very high.

Ms. Stottlemeyer noted the weeds died off in the fall and some of the dead branches are still there and it is very unsightly. She noted when you drive into the development and look off to the right you can see all the weeds. She explained that she works with others to take care of the entranceway and when people drive into their development, they surmise that the property is not taken care of and don't come in to look at the homes for sale.

Mrs. Stottlemeyer questioned what she has to do to get the weeds and grass cut, and when will it be cut. She noted that she could get 100 people to sign a petition as their property values are going downhill because it looks like they live in a middle of an unkempt field.

Mr. Blain noted that a couple of years ago we had a problem with the development for the final paving for the road and snow removal. Mr. Wolfe answered that he did not recall what the problem was at that time. Mr. Blain stated that he did not think that Eric Kessler owned the

property. Mr. Wolfe noted that there are different parcels owned by different people. He noted that the plan was laid out that the residential buildings were to the rear and what was to be an office building would be built in the front. He noted that Mr. Kessler may still be the owner of that parcel. Mrs. Stottlemeyer stated that he owns that property. Mr. Blain questioned if Ms. Stottlemeyer knew that for a fact. Ms. Stottlemeyer answered yes. Mr. Wolfe noted that he does not know who the owner's are at this time.

Mr. Blain questioned if Mr. Wolfe would confirm who owns the vacant parcels and contact the owners to let them know that they need to cut the grass or they will receive a letter and possible fine from the Township. Mr. Blain noted that everyone knows Mr. Kessler and staff should be able to contact him. He suggested that Mr. Kessler could have his crew go out and clean up the area.

Mr. Hawk noted that it has always been questionable for who owns the property. Ms. Stottlemeyer noted that Gem Craft owns the land behind her and she was told that they pulled permits to start building. Mr. Hawk noted that he has spoken to Mr. Stottlemeyer a couple months ago when there was high grass around the property. Mrs. Stottlemeyer noted that the weeds around her property are cut as they have a landscaper come in and do it every week. She noted that the weeds are starting to grow behind her deck and it is unsafe as you don't know who could be hiding back there, and there are animals back there. She noted that it needs to be fixed. She questioned if Gem Craft ever reimbursed the Township for cutting the weeds from 2009 and 2010.

Mr. Blain requested Mr. Wolfe to determine who owns properties and to make contact with them about the weeds. Mr. Wolfe answered that he would do that.

Mr. Crissman stated that he was making an assumption that the Homeowner's Association has already tried to contact... Ms. Stottlemeyer noted that her husband has had a

room in the Municipal Center since 2009 and 2010. She noted that he spoke with Mr. Hawk and Mr. Seeds and they were able to take care of it within reason in 2009 and 2011, but for 2012, she was told by someone that the Township could not longer go after Gem Craft as they were in bankruptcy and that the Township couldn't find Eric Kessler. She noted that she knows where he lives and she was going to call him.

Mr. Hawk noted that it would be great if the property owner would cut the grass, otherwise the Township has to be in the grass cutting business. Ms. Stottlemeyer noted that she understands that but it makes the property owners, since the development is not done, property values go down as there are homes for sales and people are not coming in to look at them as it is an unkempt area. Mr. Hawk noted that the Township will have someone follow through with it.

Ms. Stottlemeyer questioned how long it will take. She noted that it is already June. Mr. Blain noted that Mr. Wolfe will make phone calls tomorrow to try to determine who the property owners are and make contact with them. He noted, if we do make contact with them, we will try to determine when they plan to clean up their yards and let them know that it needs to be done immediately.

#### **Chairman and Board Member's Comments**

No comments provided.

#### **Manager's Report**

Mr. Wolfe explained that Tuesday, August 6<sup>th</sup> will be National Night Out for Safety in the Township at George Park, starting at 5 p.m. He noted that it provides for an outdoor setting for emergency responders to meet with the community, noting that there are activities for children and events including equipment displays by the public safety personnel.

Mr. Wolfe noted that the Colonial Park Fire Company in conjunction with Buffalo Wild Wings, in the Colonial Park Mall, is conducting a fundraiser on Wednesday, June 19<sup>th</sup> from

11 a.m. to 12 midnight. He noted that Buffalo Wild Wings will donate 10% of all proceeds on food as a fundraiser to the fire company, and the community is encouraged to participate in this event.

Mr. Wolfe explained that the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation has initiated a Yellow Dot Program. He noted that it was created to assist individuals who have a medical history and who could be involved in an traffic accident, to alert emergency responders to check the glove box of the vehicle for important medical information. He noted that the Yellow Dot is placed on the rear window of the car. He noted that the Township has a supply of Yellow Dot forms located in the Municipal Center and PennDOT has the forms at various locations.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### Ordinance 13-04; reenactment of an amendment for the Township's Stormwater Management Regulations, Chapter 170 of the Codified Ordinances

Mr. Stine noted that staff, over a period of a few months, reviewed the Stormwater Management Ordinance and made a few amendments where necessary, noting that the changes were discussed during a recent workshop session. He noted that those changes were put in a final draft format and the ordinance is now ready for a public hearing and action this evening.

Mr. Stine noted that this is the time and date set for the public hearing on Ordinance 13-04, reenactment of Township's Stormwater Management Regulations Chapter 170 of the Codified Ordinances. He questioned if anyone in the audience wished to be heard on Ordinance 13-04.

Mr. Michael Pinci, 6267 Linglestown Road, noted that his comments concern stormwater management and the condemnation of his property, movement of water to Linglestown Road, noting that he can show Linglestown Road under water as a result of the Linglestown Square project and the water running to Linglestown Road and adding Elmer Avenue to that flow that goes to his pipe causing problems for him.

Mr. Pinci explained on May 1, 2013, he provided Mr. Weaver, Sewer authority Director, a letter stating that he continues to have major problems and flooding, showing the Pinci Swale that is blocked up.

Mr. Stine questioned Mr. Pinci if he had any comments on the ordinance. Mr. Pinci answered if it is concerning water and stormwater management, future... Mr. Stine questioned if Mr. Pinci had comments on the content of the ordinance. Mr. Pinci answered that he did not have the specifics of the ordinance in basis of water flow and the Township's responsibility for stormwater management, but he commented that he has a major problem with the State Road and that it contains underwater drainage for a very low rain storm event... Mr. Stine noted that he understands that, but it would have been better discussed during the public comment segment. Mr. Pinci noted that the Old Business was Stormwater Management. Mr. Stine answered that it is not Stormwater Management, it is a public hearing on an ordinance and normally people would comment on the ordinance itself during this time period as opposed to bringing in complaints about stormwater.

Mr. Hornung suggested moving on and allowing Mr. Pinci to speak after action is taken on the Ordinance.

Mr. Drannon Buskirk explained that he is not a resident of the Township but a member of the Paxton Creek Watershed Association and has sponsored a dozen projects in the Township and has conducted workshops as well.

Mr. Buskirk displayed a map to the Board members that showed all the watersheds going into the City of Harrisburg and emptying into the Susquehanna River. He noted that the black line is the area of Route 22 showing the watershed boundaries. He noted that the Paxton Creek Watershed goes around the Colonial Park Mall, east to Mountain Road to Linglestown and south to Route 22.

Mr. Buskirk noted that the Ordinance will do some good things in terms of best management practice, but it will not solve all the stormwater management problems. He noted as long as you continue to develop the land in the same way it has been, using the Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance (SALDO), the Township will not get ahead of the problem. He noted that the map has a large area in red and he questioned if anyone knew what it represented. He explained that the map was made from a French rocket satellite and it cost \$5,000. He noted that he turned the photograph into a map showing the impervious surface for that area to show where most of the stormwater is coming from. He noted that the water runs off the impervious surface, streets, roads, roofs, sidewalks and makes it's way to streams and the streams get more and more water and they get bigger and erode the sides of the streams and the sediment goes into the creeks, eventually making its way to Wildwood Lake and further south into Harrisburg to the Susquehanna River.

Mr. Buskirk noted that the way the Township came to have so much impervious surface was through traditional development. He noted that many studies show when you have 10% to 11% impervious coverage, you start to have problems. He noted that some townships allow a commercial development to have 75% impervious coverage. He noted that the water will not be held in the detention basins and they need to be maintained and inspected regularly.

Mr. Buskirk noted that the Township needs to do best management practices with having water infiltrate back into the ground for as much as you can in a meaningful way noting that people may have to retrofit to make new parking lots and sidewalk and do it in such a way that they strip 100% of the impervious surface to prevent water run off.

Mr. Buskirk noted that the Board is making an effort with the ordinance but it won't be enough as you will need to take a look at your SALDO and Comprehensive Plan to make the changes that are needed. He noted that the developers won't like it but they need to act in other

ways, by not striping the topsoil and vegetation and only planting a little and then selling the good topsoil.

Mr. Seeds noted that he is familiar with Mr. Buskirk's organization and they do good work. He questioned if he has read the new ordinance. Mr. Buskirk answered that he has read the proposed ordinance. Mr. Seeds noted that the new ordinance attempts to reduce the amount of impervious to a great extent by reducing street widths, parking lots, and total number of sidewalks, all those kinds of impervious areas. He noted that this ordinance is working in the right direction as we are aware of the storm events that have occurred in recent years. He noted that the ordinance is working towards what your organization is promoting and explained that the Board can't stop development as we are not permitted to do so. He noted that the developers have rights to develop but the Township can regulate it to a certain degree. He noted that this ordinance will help so that we won't have as much impervious coverage as we did under the old ordinance, and it is a step in the right direction.

Mr. Buskirk noted that he stated that in his opening statement but the Township needs to review the SALDO and incorporate some of those same principals.

Mr. Hawk noted that your points are valid; the purpose of the ordinance is to provide the Township with the teeth it needs to develop a comprehensive plan to eliminate illegal discharges to basins. He noted that there are 13 areas that it speaks to giving the Board the responsibility to have requirements for all land development and disturbances. He noted how we do that is what Mr. Stine has alluded to; this ordinance provides the Township the capability to regulate those things, but doing it is another issue. He noted that we need to adopt the ordinance in order to move ahead. Mr. Buskirk agreed with Mr. Hawk for the stormwater management ordinance but he really thinks that staff needs to do more in terms of development itself.

Mr. Hawk noted that the ordinance states that staff must develop a comprehensive program, noting that it is part of the requirements and up to this time, the Board did not have some of those responsibilities.

Mr. Buskirk questioned if the Board would accept written comments on specific items after tonight. Mr. Hawk answered if the Board does not put this ordinance in place, then we haven't moved forward. He noted that we need to have some teeth to exercise the elimination of illegal discharges and land disturbances and earth moving situations.

Mr. Crissman noted that we are reenacting the ordinance that is already in effect with the items that are being added.

Mr. Wolfe noted, after the Board takes action on the ordinance, it can, at any time, accept additional comments.

Mr. Crissman noted that the Board wants to do its due diligence; therefore any comments that would be of benefit to the community are certainly welcome.

Mr. Seeds noted that Mr. Buskirk is suggesting that we need to revise the SALDO and look at it in regards to stormwater. Mr. Buskirk agreed. He noted if you do that and the two work in concert with each other, it will have a much greater effect for the Township.

Mr. Crissman noted that it would be good for Mr. Buskirk to submit his comments in writing. Mr. Buskirk questioned if there is a deadline to do this. Mr. Crissman answered no as staff would take them under advisement when they are received. M. Buskirk stated that he could do a presentation on it for the Board.

Mr. Seeds questioned Mr. Buskirk if he was suggesting that the Board not adopt the ordinance at this time. Mr. Buskirk answered no; he wanted to congratulate the Board for what it has done.

Mr. Stine noted that it would be in order to close the public hearing and the Board may take action on Ordinance 13-04 if it so chooses.

Mr. Crissman made a motion to approve Ordinance 13-04; the reenactment and amendment for the Township's Stormwater Management Regulations, Chapter 170 of the Codified Ordinances. Mr. Blain seconded the motion. Mr. Hawk called for a roll call vote: Mr. Blain, aye; Mr. Crissman, aye; Mr. Hornung, aye; Mr. Seeds, aye; and Mr. Hawk, aye.

Mr. Michael Pinci noted that stormwater management and the Ordinance is just, he noted that it was already approved but to make people need a hydraulic study is a major cost for a family that may want to build something that is a 1,000 square foot; it is part of the ordinance and it doesn't matter anymore since it was passed, he is concerned since he has been fighting water for 27 years in the Township. He noted that it is stormwater, loss of property values, negative magnitude, if you realized what fighting water is all about and Mother Nature, the prayers he has been praying that it would stop raining. He noted May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 9 p.m. a thunderstorm hit and it poured for 12 minutes. He noted that you make improvements and major investments for where you want to run water and it effects a lot but it also pertains to how much it rained previously in the last 30 days as to how it will effect the ground. He noted that sometimes an inch or two of rain does not effect him but if it ground water is saturated; he can get hundreds of thousands of gallons of water in his basement. He noted that the street floods and he has taken pictures of it. He noted that it was under water recently with all the water from the Linglestown Square project running down at him, and all the Elmer Avenue water running at him too. He noted that it all flows to the State culvert. He noted that is what he has been fighting for 27 years, to make the State make their culvert larger to allow the water from Elmer Avenue to flow into it also with the new infrastructures from the Linglestown Square project.

Mr. Pinci noted that he knows how to suffer as it comes from the Lord and the Board has a chance to take it away so he doesn't have to pray all the time for it to stop. He noted that his three daughters have known nothing all their lives but watching their parents fight water and now he is raising a grandson and he is seeing it as well. He noted that he works nights at the postal service and he has to leave his wife to tend the seven sump pumps and if the lights flicker he might lose the electricity and this goes on and on. He noted that he is here to ask the Board to look at his documentation and see that the State Road continues to be under water and all the infrastructure and all the water from the Linglestown Road project that is across the street that you might think that it doesn't impact the Pinci's anymore but it interferes and keeps the water going.

Mr. Pinci noted that he will not give up and questioned if the Board does not want to help him, do you want me to keep flooding all the time. He noted that his family is telling him that the Township does not want to help him but he does not want to believe that. He noted that he had pictures of four different occurrences even after the Linglestown Square Road project was completed and the State Road is still under water. He noted that it is an unsafe condition as it freezes in the winter time. He noted that the swale is blocked up.

Mr. Hornung questioned if it was on the list of projects. Mr. Wolfe answered no as it is a State Road.

Mr. Seeds questioned when the pictures were taken. Mr. Pinci answered that it was less than a year ago. He noted if Handwork is paving it, once it is paved, they will not dig up the new road. Mr. Seeds questioned Mr. Pinci if he was aware that PennDOT was starting the process to complete the paving from the Village to the truck stop. Mr. Pinci answered yes, noting that the biggest misconception is that the Pinci's built their house on a pond for the express purpose of building their home but this is not true at all. He noted that he found a nice place and it was dry

in 1987. He noted that he had no idea about a pond, or an underground spring, high-water tables and infrastructure inadequacies, it is just mind boggling.

Mr. Seeds noted that he was not aware that he was still having problems. He noted that the Township and PennDOT... Mr. Pinci noted that the Township took easements to run the Elmer Avenue water that is where the picture shows the stone. He noted that his wife was concerned if it didn't work, and he was told if it didn't work that they would come back to look at it more and maybe something could be done. He noted that it doesn't take a large rain for the State Road to go under and PennDOT says that the pipe was there before the Pinci's and it was fine before we moved in. He noted that everyone knows the pipe is too small. He noted that the water from the project hits his flow when it comes through the pipe and that water is ten times more powerful than his water. He noted that once the water goes to the north side it has that water to deal with and they are fighting each other and normally it would go to Beaver Creek River Basin, now it has the Linglestown Square Project water which has a 15 foot by 40 foot pond that was not there before. He noted that the water that flows under the highway fights the other water source. Mr. Seeds noted that he would make it a point to go look at it and he will also look at it when there is a significant rain storm. He noted that he is very familiar with that area but he was not aware that Mr. Pinci was still having problems.

Mr. Pinci noted that it took him a while to analyze why this was occurring and if it didn't rain for a month or two it is not as severe an impact. He noted if it rained three days before, it raised the water table, then it would cause him problems. He noted that it depends on what is in the water table.

Mr. Seeds noted that PennDOT is repaving that section of Route 39 but he is not aware if they are doing any drainage work. He suggested that Mr. Pinci should bring this to PennDOT's attention. Mr. Pinci noted that he can take pictures of it once they have repaved the road. Mr.

Seeds questioned Mr. Pinci if he has brought this issue to PennDOT's attention. Mr. Pinci noted that Mr. Andrew Green at District 8 for decades has heard his voice but they tell him that he built in a low lying area and they can't do anything as it is a local municipality responsibility. He noted that he has gone back and forth on this issue between PennDOT and the Township.

Mr. Hawk noted that Mr. Pinci made the statement that no one wants to help him, but the Township has spent millions of dollars chasing water and we are still doing it and will do it forever. Mr. Pinci noted that he has heard the comment where the State roads have problems everywhere, water lies on the road at other locations too, but it doesn't make it right. Mr. Hawk noted that the Township is under a consent decree to reduce sanitary sewer flows and correct the issues with ground water seeping into those pipes. Mr. Pinci noted that 2 million gallons of water have been removed from the system and is not entering the pumping station. He questioned where that water is going. Mr. Hornung noted that it goes all over the place. Mr. Blain noted that the Authority is removing that water from the sanitary sewer system and it has to go somewhere.

Mr. Hornung noted since he and Mr. Seeds live close to Mr. Pinci's property, it might be appropriate the next time he has a problem to call him and he would provide Mr. Pinci with his phone number. Mr. Pinci noted that his swale is blocked up with the new system, his yard drain and rain spouts go into that swale but it now blocked up with the ponds, one across the street and one near his home. Mr. Hornung noted when you get a good rainfall, call Mr. Seeds or himself and they will come down and look at it to see if there is a solution. Mr. Pinci noted that you have been to my house before. Mr. Hornung noted that it is different when it is pouring rain. Mr. Seeds noted if he is in the area he will come out to look also. Mr. Pinci noted once the road is paved he won't have a chance to get it fixed. Mr. Seeds noted that was why he questioned Mr. Pinci in regards to PennDOT's response. He noted that PennDOT will overlay the road and no one will want to dig it up. He noted that the Township is doing sewer work at that location now

so that the Township does not have to dig it up after it is paved. He noted that the time to make any corrections is now. He noted that he would go over and check some elevations before it rains. Mr. Hornung noted that he would go with Mr. Seeds to look at the issue when it rains.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### Change Order No.2 to the 2013 Bridge Maintenance Contract

Mr. Hawk noted that this change order covers work that was done on the Goose Valley Road Bridge as well as the Red Top Road Bridge. Mr. Wolfe noted that the change order amount is \$6,631.91 on a current contract price of \$70,421.00. He explained that it is for additional beam restoration work on a concrete beam and also for additional guiderail. He noted that this is the closeout for the project and the last change order you will see for this project.

Mr. Wolfe noted that it is staff's recommendation to approve Change Order No. 2 submitted by Redrock Construction. Mr. Seeds questioned if this is for a location where a vehicle struck the guiderail. Mr. Wolfe answered that was for Change Order No. 1; however, it is part of the same contract.

Mr. Crissman questioned if the change order had any impact on completion time. Mr. Wolfe answered no.

Mr. Crissman made a motion to approve Change Order No. 2 to the 2013 Bridge Maintenance Contract with an increase of \$6,631.91. Mr. Blain seconded the motion. Mr. Hawk called for a voice vote and a unanimous vote followed.

#### Action on the 2013 Agreement for the Swatara Wastewater Treatment Plant and Joint Use Interceptor

Mr. Hawk noted that the Board saw this during the Sewer Authority Meeting at which time it took action to approve the 2013 Agreement.

Mr. Wolfe noted that the Board took action to approve this agreement subject to approval of the exhibits by the Sewer Authority Engineer and Solicitor. He noted that it provides for the continued use of the Swatara Wastewater Treatment Plant and its Joint Use Interceptor to include

the assignment of capacity at both locations, now that the Plant has been upgraded in size and capacity. He noted that Lower Paxton Township is the primary user of the Wastewater Treatment Plant and will be allocated a capacity according to its use and projected development.

Mr. Wolfe noted that Mr. Stine has been actively involved in the preparation of this agreement. He noted if there are any questions address them to Mr. Stine, if not, you may take action to approve this agreement, subject to the solicitor's and engineer's review of the exhibits.

Mr. Seed noted that the Oakhurst Agreement was posted for the Board to review and he questioned if it is a part of this. Mr. Wolfe noted that was a mistake by staff.

Mr. Blain made a motion to approve the 2013 Agreement for the Swatara Wastewater Treatment Plant and Joint Use Interceptor. Mr. Crissman amended the motion to include, subject to the solicitor's and engineer's review of the exhibits. Mr. Blain agreed to the amendment. Mr. Crissman seconded the motion. Mr. Hawk called for a voice vote and a unanimous vote followed.

Resolution 13-16; authorization for destruction of identified municipal records

Mr. Hawk noted that this resolution authorizes the destruction of identified municipal records that are listed in the appendix.

Mr. Wolfe explained that the Township follows the Pennsylvania Historic and Museum schedule for the destruction of records. He noted that the records will be shredded and the process will be witnessed by staff.

Mr. Crissman made a motion to approve Resolution 13-16, authorizing the destruction of identified municipal records. Mr. Blain seconded the motion. Mr. Hawk called for a voice vote and a unanimous vote followed.

Resolution 13-17; authorization to submit a grant application to the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources for Friendship Center energy improvements

Mr. Hawk noted that this resolution authorizes staff to submit a grant application to the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) for Friendship Center energy improvements.

Mr. Wolfe noted that this application requests funding to continue to upgrade lighting at the Friendship Center. He noted that previously, under another DCNR grant matched by the

Township, the metal halide lights in the gymnasium were replaced with fluorescent lighting. He explained that this grant will replace the lights that are located in the cardio-vascular weight and fitness area. He noted that the projected cost is \$40,000, with the grant application being \$20,000. He noted that the total project cost would be offset by energy improvements over time with an expected 80% reduction in total costs for lighting in that specific area of the building.

Mr. Crissman noted that anytime we have the opportunity to obtain funds we certainly want to take the opportunity to apply for those funds. He made a motion to approve Resolution 13-16, authorizing the submission of a grant application to Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources for Friendship Center energy improvements. Mr. Blain seconded the motion. Mr. Seeds questioned if the Township is successful in securing the grant, would the Township have to fund this in next year's budget for the matching funds. He noted that there are no funds budgeted to do this for 2013. Mr. Hawk called for a voice vote and a unanimous vote followed.

Amendment of the preliminary/final subdivision plan for Deaven Woods

Mr. Wolfe noted that this is a simple plan noting that the Township received this request previously in regard to Deaven Woods and the cul-de-sac at the end of proposed public street in this development. He noted that it is a very large cul-de-sac with three internal lots located within the cul-de-sac. He noted that the request from the developer, David Ianni, is to eliminate or waive the requirement for sidewalks as placed upon the plan for the internal part of the cul-de-sac for the three lots. He noted that this was based upon the costs to develop the lots and the fact that the sidewalks on the internal part of the cul-de-sac and would serve for a minimum pedestrian function.

Mr. Wolfe noted when the Board reviewed this during a workshop session, it agreed to the request. He noted that Mr. Ianni has obtained the concurrent of all the owners of lots within

the Deaven Woods development who have signed the amended plan. He noted that the plan is complete for Board action this evening.

Mr. Hawk noted that everyone has signed off on the request. Mr. Seeds questioned if it was a requirement that they sign off. Mr. David Ionni answered that it was a requirement the Board put to him during the workshop session. Mr. Crissman noted that it is easy for the Board to approve this when you have received 100% approval from the community that lives in this development. He thanked him for meeting the requirement.

Mr. Blain made a motion to approve the amendment to the preliminary and final subdivision plan for Deaven Woods. Mr. Crissman seconded the motion. Mr. Hawk called for a voice vote and a unanimous vote followed.

#### **Improvement Guarantee**

Mr. Hawk noted that there were no improvement guarantees.

#### **Payment of Bills**

Mr. Seeds made a motion to pay the bills of Lower Paxton Township and Lower Paxton Township Authority. Mr. Crissman seconded the motion. Mr. Hawk called for a voice vote, and a unanimous vote followed.

#### **Announcements**

Mr. Hawk noted that he normally places an article in The Township Newsletter and in the future he plans to write an article on the Police Department to make the public aware of what they do.

Mr. Blain noted that the Capital Area Soccer Association (CASA) will dedicate two new soccer fields at George Park this Saturday at 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. He noted that the public is invited to attend the event. He stated that the fields are outstanding and CASA spent \$120,000 to redo the fields.

## **Adjournment**

There being no further business, Mr. Crissman made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Mr. Blain seconded the motion, and the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Heberle  
Recording Secretary

Approved by,

Gary A. Crissman  
Township Secretary