

**Allegheny Township, Westmoreland County  
Board of Supervisors Meeting  
136 Community Building Road  
Leechburg, PA 15656**

**Minutes 04-11-2011**

Kathy Starr, President  
Joseph Ferguson, Vice Chairman  
Douglas Custer, Supervisor

**Meeting No. 4 of 2011**

Gregory Primm, Township Manager  
Steve Kanas, Public Works  
John Fontaine, Police Department

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The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Starr at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call. Supervisor Starr asked if there was any good news to share by the board.

**Minutes of March 14, 2011**

The minutes of the March 14, 2011 meeting were presented for approval. Seeing no additions or corrections Supervisor Starr asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Motion was seconded by Supervisor Ferguson and passed.

**Police Department/Public Safety – Chief Fontaine**

Chief John Fontaine presented the Police Report for March 2011.

**Public Works Department – Steve Kanas**

Public Works Director, Steve Kanas presented the Public Works Report for March 2011

**Emergency Management Report – Lee Schumaker**

EMA report for March 2011

**Managers Report.**

The Seismic Testing that has been taking place within the Township is now complete. The area that was affected was indicated by many of the pink flags and the cables and boxes on the shoulders of the roads. There were no complaints during the process of noise or traffic impediments, just some questions on who they were and what they were doing. The company that performed the work was Geokinetics, Inc. and their primary purpose was to identify the gas shale throughout the Township.

The Environmental Committee were handed a copy of our recently passed Gas and Oil extraction ordinance at their last meeting to begin their review. I also provided them with a number of documents that I collected during my research to assist them in their review. Bob Kosak informed the committee that they should take the next month to review the documents and they will subsequently begin their discussions per the Supervisors instructions at their next regularly scheduled meeting.

I also mailed a letter and related information to the Economic Development Committee in regards to the LERTA program initiative that we have asked them to lead us in pursuing for the Town Center Zoning District. I asked them to please e-

mail or call me to give me some dates when they would be available to meet. As of today I have only 2 responses in this regard.

In light of Judge Caruso's order in the KVVPCA v. Vandergrift and Leechburg matter, that required Vandergrift and Leechburg to enjoin the other 11 municipalities as involuntary plaintiffs, we have received correspondence from Bob Kosak of KVVPCA on the issue and also have talked with our Solicitor in this regard.

I have been working on a new excess maintenance agreement to update our current agreement as it relates to the gas and oil industry. I have provided you a copy and am looking for feedback. I will propose that the board formally adopt this as our new agreement at the May meeting.

I attended the 29<sup>th</sup> Annual PELRAS (Public Employer Labor Relation Advisory Service) Training Conference in State College from March 22-25. Topics of discussion included: Negotiations and Act 11 Arbitration, Labor and Employment Law Update, Mock Arbitration, Workplace Harassment, The New Federal Healthcare Primer, Conducting Legal Background Checks, Legal Ethics for Solicitors and Labor Counsels, Administering Employee Discipline.

**Correspondence** – The following correspondence was presented by the Township Manager.

MAAT, April Agenda, Minutes for March, Income and Expense Statement  
KVVPCA, Letter regarding Lawsuit  
KLH Engineers, Inc. KVVPCA, Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements, Act 67, 68, and 127 Notification

**Seminars** –The Township Manager presented the following seminars for approval.

6<sup>th</sup> Annual Emergency Management Seminar for Elected Officials, June 1, 2011, 8:30-3:00 p.m

**Treasurer's Report**- The Township Manager presented the financial reports for approval which included the following: Invoices paid and pending, Revenues received, Treasury report fund totals/financial report and Budget report. Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was made by Supervisor Starr, second by Supervisor Ferguson and the motion passed

**Department Reports** – The following reports were presented to the board for the month of March 2011: Zoning report, Police report, Fire Department report and Public Works report. A motion to approve the departmental reports including the public works and police reports was made by Supervisor Starr, seconded by Supervisor Custer and the motion passed

**Public Relations and Announcements**

Expired or Unused Prescription Drug Collection, Saturday, April 30, 2011, Allegheny Township Police Department, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Sponsored by Westmoreland Cleanways, Allegheny Township Police and Local Volunteers, call 724-836-4129 for more info.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

Motion by Supervisor Ferguson, second by Supervisor Custer to approve the purchase of a new 2011 Ford F550 Super Duty 4x4 Regular Cab & Chassis and associated upfit (Walsh Equipment) including aluminum dump body and plow with accessories from Tri Star Motors at a cost of \$79,141.00 Motion passed

Motion by Supervisor Ferguson, second by Supervisor Custer to approve and renew the Police Chief Employment Agreement retroactive to January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2015. Motion passed.

Motion by Supervisor Custer, second by Supervisor Ferguson to approve the purchase of Liquid Asphalt for the 2011 maintenance season from Russell Standard Corp. at the lowest bid of \$190,470.00. Motion passed

Motion by Supervisor Custer, second by Supervisor Ferguson to approve the purchase of various aggregates for the 2011 maintenance season from Hansen Aggregates at the lowest bid of \$147,700.00 Motion passed.

Motion by Supervisor Custer, second by Supervisor Ferguson to approve the purchase of various pipe for the 2011 maintenance season from Walsh Equipment at the lowest bid of \$18,576.55 Motion passed.

Motion by Supervisor Starr, second by Supervisor Custer to approve the job description "Director of Codes and Public Safety". Motion passed

Motion by Supervisor Starr, second by Supervisor Custer to hire Lee Schumaker as the Director of Codes and Public Safety at a rate of \$14.42 per hour effective May 1, 2011. Motion passed

### **General Citizen's Comments\*\***

None

### **Supervisor's Comments**

Supervisor Custer congratulated Lee Schumaker on his new position.

### **Adjournment**

Seeing no more business, motion to adjourn made by Supervisor Custer, seconded by Supervisor Ferguson, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Gregory A. Primm, Township Manager/Sec.  
Allegheny Township  
Township

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Kathryn Starr, Chairperson  
Board of Supervisors, Allegheny

