

TOWN OF PHILADELPHIA

JUNE 11, 2014 BOARD MEETING

Present: Supervisor: Cheryl Horton, Clerk: Cheryl Reed, Highway Superintendent: Mike Freeman, Council Members: Sandra Carpenter, Bob Watson Sr., Sky Weaver, Ron Spicer, Assessor: John Kiechle, Guests: Jefferson County Legislator: Al Drake, Vernon Lafave Sr., Grant Hall, Marvin Bourcy, Amanda Smith, Susan Hoover, Elmer Hoover, Cathy Watson and Terry McKeever.

Absent: Bookkeeper: Gary Mack.

At 5:30 Supervisor Horton called the meeting to order, followed by prayer and pledge.

Minutes were read prior to the meeting. Sky pointed out that on page one the word on needed to be deleted. On page three the word "to" needed to be added to a sentence and also on page 3 the word "inquire" was spelled incorrectly. Ron made a motion to accept the minutes with the necessary corrections made. Sky seconded this motion. All were in favor, motion carried.

Financial Report:

April and May Monthly Financial Reports, were available for review. Supervisor Horton asked the Board Members if they wished for her to read both reports or just the current one. It was decided that the current Financial Report would be sufficient. Due to Gary Mack's absence, Supervisor Horton read the Monthly Financial Report aloud. Board Members signed both April and May's Monthly Financial Reports as their approval of said reports.

Clerk Report:

1. Ample paper work.
2. Added to Park Schedule: Red Hatters, Birthday Parties, Vacation Bible School and Picnics.

Highway Report:

1. Doing Dozer work in Antwerp.
2. Will speak to CEO, Shawn Barbarito regarding Driveway Permits.
3. Spoke to Madeline Drake concerning clogged ditch issue. She does not want the Town to do any work on her property.
4. Purchased used Garden Tractor from Fort Drum Surplus for \$500.00.
5. Plan to advertise Town's two GMC Trucks on Auctions International. (Internet) **(See attached resolution)**

6. While attending Highway Superintendent's School in Ithaca, was made aware of the St. Pauly Project. This project provides a container for people to donate used clothing for distribution to third world countries. Mike asked the Board Members what their opinion was regarding placing one of these buildings at the Recycling Center. It was agreed this would be a good idea. Council Member, Sandra Carpenter suggested that there would be a need to make the public aware of this opportunity to help others.
7. Mike presented to the Board an "Agreement for the Expenditure of Highway Moneys" for 2014. After review of this agreement, Board Members signed said report as their approval to these expenditures. **(See attached copy of agreement).**

Privilege of the floor was given to Jefferson County Legislator, Al Drake. He spoke regarding issues of:

1. Roof Top Highway.
2. New Communication System for Ambulance and Fire Departments and the cost.
3. New Library at Jefferson Community College.
4. Work to be done at Jail.

Privilege of the Floor was given to Vernon Lafave Sr.:

1. He thanked the Town for their plan to repave Elm Ridge Road.
2. Against the proposed Land Swap between the Town and John Rice.

Privilege of the floor was given to Grant Hall:

1. Grant wished to thank Brian Simmons who works for the Highway Dept. and is responsible for the grounds at the Park and Cemetery. He feels Brian should be commended.

Privilege of the Floor was given to Susan and Elmer Hoover:

1. Susan asked Why the Baseball Field was not being mowed to fit the schedule of those coming there to play?
2. Elmer asked why he was not getting his 24 loads of stone the Town owed him for the new driveways he has put in.

At this time Sandra said she believes past Highway Superintendent, Mark Leeson should be involved in this discussion.

Supervisor Horton asked Highway Superintendent Mike Freeman what the cost of 24 loads of stone would be. Mike figured approximately \$2,500.00 plus trucking and labor.

Bob asked Elmer if he was willing to negotiate. Elmer feels he should be compensated for the Town's failure to deliver.

Sandra disagrees with compensation to Elmer for stone.

At this time Elmer said he did not want the stone from the Town. He wished to make clear the need for a change in the system.

Bob made a motion to stop making the option available to anyone for a choice of a sluice pipe or stone from the Highway Dept. All will be responsible for their own costs of both a sluice pipe and stone. **(See attached resolution)**

Privilege of the floor: was given to Terry McKeever:

1. Madeline Drake refuses to allow Town or Village Employees on her land regarding a clogged ditch problem.
2. Terry will not pursue the clogged ditch issue.

Cemetery Report:

1. There will be fill brought in to level the low areas.

Assessor's Report:

1. Temporary Equalization rate was addressed.
2. John asked for a resolution to do a reval on property this year. Bob objected and made a motion for no reval. **(See attached resolution)**

At this time Supervisor Horton wished to discuss the Land Swap Deal with John Rice. After a lengthy discussion with the board and those also present Bob made a motion to not move the Recycling Center and not agree to the Land Swap with John Rice. **(Please see attached resolution)**

At 9:26 P.M. Bob made a motion to adjourn. Sandra seconded this motion. All agreed, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Reed ~ Town Clerk