

**CHIPPEWA TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES
of the
JUNE 11, 2014
AGENDA MEETING**

The Chippewa Township Board of Supervisors held their monthly Agenda Meeting at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, June 11, 2014. Present were Manager Mark Taylor, Supervisor Jim Bouril, Supervisor Nancy Lamey, Supervisor Mark Hoenig, Code Enforcement Officer Dawna Pella and Administrative Assistant Cindy Clark.

Chairman Jim Bouril brought the meeting to order.

VISITORS

Chief Berchtold attended.

MANAGER

Township Manager Mark Taylor had listed the following five items on the agenda for discussion or action:

1. Request for traffic study (37th Street Ext. and Shenango Road):

Manager Taylor said that residents voiced concerns about the 37th Street/Shenango Road intersection at Representative Marshall's Town Hall meeting recently. The PennDot representative suggested that the Township send a letter about these concerns. The Manager noted that studies have been done in the past, with requests being denied in some cases and improvements being made later in other cases. He added that it does not cost the Township anything, except for the small amount of time that he and Chief Berchtold have to spend on the matter.

2. Request for traffic study (Braun Road and Braden School Road):

The residents also believe that the Braun Road/Braden School Road intersection is dangerous. Mark Taylor agrees. He said a study was done about two years ago and nothing was done. He's also been asked to forward a letter from the Township concerning this intersection. He said they use a standard formula to decide if improvements will be made. He explained to new Supervisor, Mark Hoenig, that in the past, a resident is asked to forward any concerns they might have, a letter from the Township is included, along with accident/death reports from the Police Department.

3. Request for traffic study (Park Road and Achortown Road):

Manager Taylor said that the third problem area is Park Road and Achortown Road. The request was made by Mr. Atkins from Penn Dot. He needs a letter from the Township. He would like a 3-way stop coming from the park.

Mr. Taylor said that the Supervisors are welcome to go and check out these three areas if they wish. These areas of concern will be discussed again at the regular meeting next Wednesday.

4. Fire Department sign:

Mr. Taylor explained that at carnival time last year the firemen put up a digital sign. They were told that it did not meet the Township's standards according to the code. This year they rented one to advertise their fish dinners and again were asked to remove it. They are now asking if the Township can help them acquire a permanent sign that would be a type that is permitted by ordinance. The manager said he would be willing to listen to their ideas. They have offered to allow the Township to use the sign for Township announcements if the Township helps them get the sign. They are asking for financial help. They are thinking of placing the sign on Route 51, and eliminating the one on Darlington Road. Manager Taylor said he would like to speak to the sign company. He said the Township has architectural standards for signs and he doesn't think some types are not the kind that we want to promote in the Township. He said he would like to look into getting one that might be a little nicer looking. He would rather see one with solid posts, with a brick, block or stone look. Mr. Hoenig would also like to speak to someone from the sign company. Mr. Taylor said a meeting about this can be arranged.

5. Township 2013 audit:

All Supervisors received a copy of the audit and there is one for the public to see if they choose to do so.

ADDITIONAL MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS FROM MANAGER

1. IRT:

Manager Taylor gave the Supervisors a quick update on the IRT program, saying that he has been in communication with them, the program is progressing and he feels they have a good understanding of what the project involves. He said they are coming in June. The things being done for them can be utilized by the Township in the future. The water and electrical situations there were discussed.

2. Appeals Board:

The Manager has been looking for individuals to serve on the Chippewa Township Property Maintenance Code Board of Appeals. He feels that Tom Stewart, Don Olayer and Dennis Rousseau would have the qualifications to sit on this Board, but he still has to get confirmation from Dennis Rousseau. This Board has to be formed in case they are needed to handle an appeal.

SUPERVISORS

Mr. Bouril updated everyone on the July 11th dedication ceremony for Veterans Park. A veterans' group, color guard, clergy, a singer, members of the Recreation Board and others will be involved in this ceremony. The invitation list was discussed, with Mr. Bouril telling those at the table to let him know if others should be invited. Eileen Keenan will be sending out the invitations soon.

With nothing further to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:55

Secretary

Chairman

