

**PALMER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING
May 14, 2012**

A general business meeting of the Palmer Township Board of Supervisors was held on Monday, May 14, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Room of the Palmer Library with all Supervisors in attendance: David Colver, Robert Lammi, Michael Mitchell, Robert Smith and Ann-Marie Panella. Also in attendance were the Township Manager, Director of Public Services, Police Chief and Township Solicitor. Dino Ciliberti from Patch Internet News represented the news media.

1. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Approval of Disbursement of Funds – May 1, 2012
- B. Approval of Disbursement of Funds – May 14, 2012
- C. Approval of Minutes – April 24, 2012

On motion by Lammi, seconded by Mitchell, and agreed by all, the Board voted to approve and accept the consent calendar. Panella abstained from Item C because she was absent at the April 24, 2012 Board of Supervisors meeting.

3. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Grandview Drive Speed Limit Sign Request

Information

Speed limit signs for Grandview Drive, where it tees off of Freemansburg Avenue, have been requested. The request was reviewed by the Traffic Committee and they are endorsing it with a favorable recommendation for the Board of Supervisors consideration.

Discussion

Colver said a resident of Wayne Street is requesting the township consider speed limit signs on Grandview Drive. Colver said the request was reviewed by the Township Traffic Safety Committee and has been recommended to the Board for consideration.

On motion by Mitchell, seconded by Smith, and agreed by all, the Board approved two speed limit signs on Grandview Drive where it intersects with Freemansburg Avenue.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

5. REPORTSSolicitor

- Bruno had one litigation item for executive session.

Township Manager

- Christman said at the end of last year we began negotiations on the Lease for the District Justice office. The Solicitor's office has ironed out the details of the Lease. Christman said we were satisfied with the annual CPI increases and the monthly lease amount is \$3,666.06 per month, which comes out to \$16 per square foot. Colver asked what the monthly amount includes. Christman said it covers all utilities and all costs the township incurs like snow plowing and building maintenance costs. It is a six year lease with a one year renewal option. On motion by Lammi, seconded by Smith, and agreed by all, the Board authorized the Chairman to sign the Lease Agreement.
- Christman said last week he and three members of the Board attended the 90th PSATS convention and, as usual, it was a great learning experience.
- Christman said next week he will be attending the Association for Municipal Manager's Conference in Lancaster.
- Christman said Chief Palmer notified him that we will need to purchase a kennel license for the animals we hold in the township. The cost is \$25 and we are in the process of completing the application.
- Christman had three personnel items for executive session.

Public Services Director

- Adams said they started filling the pool today for opening on Memorial Day.
- Adams said the storm sewer on Route 248 is currently being repaired by PennDOT.

Police Chief

- Chief Palmer said they received the chip reader for the animals.
- Chief Palmer said they participated in a teleconference with a Taser manufacturer on Friday and another company will be sending them samples to try out.

On motion by Mitchell, seconded by Panella, and agreed by all, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m. with one legal and three personnel items for executive session.

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher S. Christman
Township Manager