

**Newlin Township  
Board of Supervisors  
Meeting Minutes**

**October 10, 2016**

**Call to Order:** The monthly Board of Supervisors meeting of Monday, October 10, 2016, convened at 8:00 p.m. at the Lenfest Center, Cannery Road, Coatesville, PA. Present were Chair, Janie Baird, Bill Kelsall, Bob Pearson, and Secretary, Gail Abel.

**Announcement Period:** Janie Baird announced that Penn Dot is planning to close and detour Strasburg Road for up to two weeks beginning Monday, October 17<sup>th</sup> in order to tie the new road into the existing road at both ends. Romansville and Shadyside will remain open. The plan is to reopen Strasburg and shortly after that close Romansville and Shadyside Road to finish building that section of the roundabout. This update is on the Newlin website under *Public Works & Roads*.

It was also mentioned if you click on the *Open Space* tab on the website you will see more information from the Board regarding the Open Space Referendum. A sample ballot for Newlin, that includes the Open Space Referendum, is also on the Township's website under the *Voting and Schools* tab.

**Comment Period:** Jerry McCormick inquired about the Hilltop View Road project. Bob Pearson said there is approximately 780' pipe, 5 crossing in the road and 15 boxes. Paving will be scheduled in a few weeks.

**Minutes:** The minutes of the Board of Supervisors' Public Hearing and regular meeting, held on Monday, September 12, 2016 were read and reviewed. Bob Pearson made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Bill Kelsall and the vote was unanimous.

Minutes of the Board of Supervisors' budget work session meeting held on Wednesday, September 28, 2016 were read and reviewed. Bob Pearson made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Bill Kelsall and the vote was unanimous.

**Financial Report:** Read by Gail Abel. Bob Pearson made a motion to approve the financial report, seconded by Bill Kelsall and the vote was unanimous.

**Emergency Services:**

West Bradford Fire Company: September report showed 29 total responses, with zero responses reported in Newlin.

Modena Fire Company: Report not received.

Po Mar Lin Fire Company: Report not received.

Good Fellowship Ambulance: Report not received.

Longwood Ambulance: Report not received.

**Right to Know Requests:** The Township had zero right to know requests since the last meeting.

**Open Space:** Abbie Kessler, Preservation Coordinator of The Land Conservancy of Chester County (TLC), provided an overview of the importance of open space and how it would protect Newlin properties. Abbie said Newlin is well ahead of the curve with over 60% of the properties conserved but there is still land at risk for development. She said several people are land rich and cash poor not having the funds for the fees. If Newlin enacted a tax, this would help more people consider the process. She said the Northside of West Bradford and the East side of East Marlborough are both very developed. She said Newlin is what's left of what Chester County used to be. The open space tax can help ensure easements can get closed and protect the land. Abbie said there are over 2,000 acres still unprotected that are single parcels of 10 acres or larger.

**1065 Glenhall Road-Lenfest-Stormwater Maintenance Agreement:** The Township is in receipt of a letter from Cedarville Engineering dated October 6, 2016 recommending approval of the Grading and Stormwater proposal for the Lenfest property at 1065 Glenhall Road. Bob Pearson made a motion to approve and sign the stormwater maintenance agreement, Bill Kellsall seconded and the vote was unanimous.

**Snow Bids 2016/2017:** Bids were advertised in the Daily Local News on September 22<sup>nd</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>. Two sealed bids were received. Bob Pearson made a motion to accept the D.T. Taylor bid, Bill Kelsall seconded and the vote was unanimous.

**Adjournment:** With no further business, Bill Kelsall made a motion for adjournment, seconded by Bob Pearson and the vote was unanimous.

Time:  
Respectfully Submitted,  
Gail Abel  
Recording Secretary

