

**HILLTOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING
Monday, July 9, 2012**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Hilltown Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairperson Barbara A. Salvadore at 7:00PM and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Also present: John B. McIlhinney, Vice-Chairman
James C. Groff, Supervisor
Richard C. Schnaedter, Township Manager
Christopher E. Engelhart, Chief of Police
Lynda S. Seimes, Township Secretary

A. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY: None.

Chairperson Salvadore announced that the agenda order would be rearranged in order to accommodate the Police Sergeant Promotion item under "New Business."

B. NEW BUSINESS:

1) Police Sergeant Promotion – Officer Christian K. Browne, a fifteen year member of the Hilltown Police Department was promoted to the position of Sergeant, with the oath of office presented by Chairperson Salvadore, while Sgt. Browne's mother, along with his wife Wendy, son Christian, and daughter Madison, looked on.

Chief Engelhart explained the lengthy process involved with Sergeant testing, including a written examination, oral board examination, and an administrative review/evaluation of their job performance during their tenure with the Hilltown Police Department. He also thanked the other two candidates for their hard work and dedication.

Motion was made by Supervisor McIlhinney, seconded by Supervisor Groff, and carried unanimously to promote Christian K. Browne to the position of Sergeant in the Hilltown Township Police Department. There was no public comment.

C. CONFIRMED APPOINTMENTS:

1) Mr. Dan Jalousinski, 441 Longleaf Drive – Mr. Jalousinski was present to seek Board authorization to install an aluminum swimming pool fence partially within the Township's stormwater easement. Mr. Jalousinski recognizes that it would be his responsibility to remove the fence in the event that access to the stormwater easement by the Township is necessary. The fence installer has recommended two options for the fence posts in the easement – either concreted posts, which they feel is structurally safer for protection of a swimming pool, or utilizing PVC pipe to hold the fence posts, which provides for easier removal. It was noted that

Code Enforcement Officer Dave Taylor was opposed to and would not recommend concrete posts in the easement. Discussion took place.

Motion was made by Supervisor McIlhinney, seconded by Supervisor Groff, and carried unanimously to authorize Mr. Jalosinski of 441 Longleaf Drive to install swimming pool fence within the Township's stormwater easement, provided PVC pipe is used in the easement portion of the fenced area, rather than concrete posts. There was no public comment.

D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1) Discussion of 2012 Capital Projects Schedule – Mr. Schnaedter advised that the latest financials indicate that the Capital Projects Fund balance as of this date is approximately \$365,000.00. He provided recommendations for Capital Projects expenditures for 2012, as follows:

Purchase Two Police Vehicles	\$84,000.00
Municipal Bldg. Roof Replacement	\$82,000.00
Radio Upgrade – Public Works & Police	\$25,000.00
Paving-Broad Street	\$50,000.00
Paving-Telegraph Road	\$58,000.00
Replace Headwalls-Keystone Drive	\$59,000.00 (*from Stormwater Fund)
Replace Headwalls-Green Street	\$30,000.00

Discussion occurred. Supervisor McIlhinney asked which two police vehicles were targeted for replacement. Chief Engelhart replied that the two cars with the highest mileage, Car #05, which is a 2007 Ford with approximately 133,800 miles, and Car #06, which is a 2007 Ford with approximately 150,000 miles would be replaced. Chief Engelhart recommends replacement with new Chevrolet Caprice models, rather than the Ford with a turbo engine.

Supervisor McIlhinney requested a copy of the specifications for the Municipal Building Roof Replacement.

Motion was made by Supervisor McIlhinney, seconded by Supervisor Groff, and carried unanimously to accept and approve the recommended 2012 Capital Projects expenditures as noted above and specified in correspondence from Mr. Schnaedter dated July 9, 2012. There was no public comment

E. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1) The Board met in Executive Session following the last meeting to discuss personnel and legal issues; and will meet in Executive Session following this meeting to discuss personnel and real estate.

2) An advertised Public Hearing will be held at 7:30PM at the July 23, 2012 Supervisor's meeting in order to consider the adoption of an Ordinance repealing Ordinance #2008-04, which established the Hilltown Township Parks, Recreation and Open Space Citizen's Advisory Committee.

F. CONSENT AGENDA:

- Minutes of the June 25, 2012 Meeting.
- Bills List dated July 10, 2012.
- Financial Statement dated June 2012.

Motion was made by Supervisor McIlhinney, seconded by Supervisor Groff, and carried unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda items as noted above. There was no public comment.

G. SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS: None.

H. PUBLIC COMMENT:

1) Mr. Hans Sumpf, president of the Deep Run Valley Sports Association, requesting that the refundable security deposit no longer be required each time DRVSA rents a municipal sports fields. Mr. Sumpf advised that Deep Run is willing to provide a blanket security deposit of \$500.00 in the beginning of each year to cover all of Deep Run's sports field rentals throughout the year. Discussion took place concerning the current procedure for field use. The Board was agreeable to this request, and Ms. Faust, who schedules field use, would be notified of the change in procedure.

I. PRESS CONFERENCE: A conference was held to answer questions of those reporters present.

J. ADJOURNMENT: Upon motion by Supervisor McIlhinney, seconded by Supervisor Groff, and carried unanimously, the July 9, 2012 Hilltown Township Board of Supervisors meeting was adjourned at 7:32PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Lynda Seimes
Township Secretary

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