

**BIRMINGHAM TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES
JULY 20, 2009**

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:30 PM in the Township Building by Chairman Conklin with the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence. A quorum of Supervisors was declared. The following Township Officials were in attendance:

John Conklin	-	Chairman, Board of Supervisors
William Kirkpatrick	-	Vice-Chairman, Board of Supervisors
Al Bush	-	Member, Board of Supervisors
Thomas Nelling	-	Chief of Police
Paul Langerhans	-	Emergency Management Assistant
Quina Nelling	-	Secretary/Treasurer

Chairman Conklin moved to approve the July 6, 2009 minutes as written. (Approved all in favor.)

Mr. Bush moved to approve the bills submitted for payment. General Fund bills totaled \$15,535.71. Sewer Fund bills totaled \$13,663.73. State Fund CK#136 for \$6,680.00 was issued to Page Excavating Company, Inc. (Approved all in favor.)

Chairman Conklin announced that the Supervisors held an executive session with B. J. Giangiulio of HA Thomson on July 14th to discuss the Township's insurance coverage.

POLICE PERSONNEL

Police Commissioner Bush read a letter of resignation from Sergeant Matt Simcox effective July 26, 2009. Chief Nelling presented Sgt. Simcox with his Sergeant's badge as a keepsake. Sgt. Simcox has accepted a full-time position with the Borough of West Chester. Mr. Bush thanked Mr. Simcox for his 4 ½ years of service to the Township.

Chief Nelling recommended that Corporal Chris Urbany be promoted to the rank of Sergeant and second-in-command of the police department with a wage rate of \$22.00/hr. Mr. Bush moved to approve the promotion and wage increase for Chris Urbany. (Approved all in favor.)

Chief Nelling recommended that part-time police officer Joseph Arnold be promoted to full-time status at the rate of \$19.00/hr. to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Sgt. Simcox. Mr. Bush moved to approve the appointment of Joseph Arnold to full-time status. (Approved all in favor.)

District Judge Rita Arnold administered the oaths of office to Sgt. Urbany and Officer Arnold.

SNOW REMOVAL SERVICES

Mr. Bush moved to authorize advertising for the opening of bids at the August 17, 2009 meeting for snow removal services for the 2009/2010 season. (Approved all in favor.)

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mrs. Nelling reported for the first half of 2009. Financial statements were previously provided to the Supervisors. Mrs. Nelling highlighted parts of the statements.

General Fund	-	\$723,011.
Sewer Fund	-	\$509,108.
State Fund	-	\$155,991.

<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>%</u>
Total Revenues	\$1,208,578.	\$839,391.	70
Real Estate Taxes	\$ 718,416.	\$631,291.	89
Transfer Taxes	\$ 130,000.	\$ 42,671.	33
Vehicle Code Violations	\$ 60,000.	\$ 50,694.	85
Building Permits	\$ 20,000.	\$ 8,750.	44
Total Expenditures	\$1,336,330.	\$655,792.	49
Legal	\$ 20,000.	\$ 12,247.	61
Police	\$ 528,750.	\$231,863.	44
Zoning Enforcement	\$ 5,000.	\$ 4,025.	81
<u>Sewer Fund</u>			
Total Revenues	\$ 326,701.	\$213,704	65
Total Expenditures	\$ 422,397.	\$151,569.	36

The Board noted that legal fees were higher than anticipated due to zoning enforcement issues.

Mrs. Nelling is anticipating submitting the county open space grant reimbursement application for Birmingham Hill upon receipt of cancelled checks for bills paid in July.

The transfer tax check for June, which is posted in July, was close to \$20,000.

The budget for contractor registrations will be short about \$2,000. due to the State taking over registrations effective July 1st.

The sewer fund had an unbudgeted receipt for a tapping fee for three EDU's for the connection of Carousel Hyundai on Wilmington Pike.

Mr. Bush suggested that the Board consider implementing the \$52. emergency services tax during the budget process.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:54 PM. (JLC)

Respectfully submitted,

Quina Nelling
Secretary/Treasurer