## ROSS TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS MONTHLY MEETING JULY 1, 2013

The Regular Monthly Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Beers, with members Vice President Kresge and Supervisor Drake present. Solicitor Dunn was also present. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Chairman Beers.

The first item of business was the opening of bids received in response to the Township advertisements as follows:

## **PRODUCT BIDS**

5.000 gallons more or less of CRS-2PM or RS-2PM oil delivered to Township as needed

Asphalt Maintenance Solutions, Inc. \$2.64 per gallon Midland Asphalt Materials, Inc. 6.25 per gallon

300 tons more or less of AASHTO #3, Penndot 2A stone, AASHTO #1, AASHTO #57 AASHTO #8, Penndot 2RC, Penndot cold patch, gabion, & 3A modified all FOB plant

Hanson Aggregates, Pa. LLC the only bid received for above

products \$8.90, 6.25, 8.90, 12,50, 13.00, 5.00, 93.00, 14.25 and 7.25 per ton respectively.

All bids had the required bid bond and paper work necessary. After a review of the above product bids a motion was made by Supervisor Drake, seconded by Vice Chairman Kresge to accept the bid from Asphalt Maintenance Solutions, Inc. for \$2.64 per gallon; and, the bid submitted by Hanson Aggregates for 300 tons more or less of various stone and cold patch. The motion carried.

## IN PLACE BIDS

380 tons Superpave 9.5mm, PG64-22, 0.0-0.3 million ESALS, 60lb./SY to be placed as a leveling course, 2,149 tons Superpave 9.5mm PG64-22,0.0-0.3 million ESALS, SRL-L, 180 lb/SY to be placed as a wearing course, 10,480 LF-4" Double Yellow Line with glass beads.

Locust Ridge Contractors	\$201,024.65
Lehigh Asphalt Paving	190,936,70
Hanson Aggregates, Pa. LLC	186,497.60

All bids had the required bid bond and paper work necessary. Some discussion took place after which a motion was made by Supervisor Drake to accept the bid submitted by Hanson Aggregates, Pa. LLC. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Kresge and carried.

The minutes and Treasurer's report were reviewed and a motion was made by Supervisor Drake to accept both as presented. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Kresge and carried.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC-Mark and Patty Kresh of Ramblewood Drive were present to discuss some relief from the Township Outdoor Wood Burner Ordinance. Solicitor Dunn noted that the Ordinance has an error in it relative to a hearing provision. The Solicitor indicated that he felt the Supervisors should hear them since they have appeared. The Ordinance would need an amendment to correct the error. Mr. Kresh began noting that the newer stoves have better emission efficiencies, are safer among other things. His present installation is such that he cannot meet the set backs the Ordinance requires and is suggesting the Ordinance be changed to conform to the newer stoves. The State requirement has a 50 foot set back from a boundary line (no other structure mentioned) He submitted a packet of material that would assist in making a decision concerning the newer stoves as it applies to the Township. This matter is under consideration pending review of the State requirement as those as submitted.

Frank Piraino a resident of Mountain Crest Circle spoke about the condition of Owl Hollow Drive noting that it is breaking up. Chairman Beers noted that although it is not slated for paving, after reviewing those that are in worse condition, patching and other maintenance will be considered.

A resident of Shady Oaks asked for a street sign to be placed on Dana Ct. (the entrance to Shady Oaks.) It was decided a sign would be put there.

PLANS-The subdivision plan from Ronald and Marsha Sandt was discussed and a motion was made by Supervisor Drake to approve the plan as recommended by the Ross Township Planning Commission conditioned upon Russ Kresge's review of the mylars that have been brought in to the meeting this evening and the payment of \$600 for the recreation fee. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Kresge and carried.

OLD BUSINESS-In connection with the UCC Joint Board of Appeals, Chairman Beers noted that they discussed it at the CJER meeting and more municipalities may want to join in and until that is decided the agreement is on hold.

## NEW BUSINESS-NONE

ROAD FOREMAN REPORT-TheRoad Foreman discussed the purchase of a screen to place over the grill of the new backhoe as a means of keeping debris from the radiator. This was suggested by the mechanic from Medico where the machine was purchased and the cost is \$325.00. The consensus of opinion was that it is a good idea.

Some discussion took place concerning prices the Road Foreman obtained for line painting and also from the COG. COG bid is 9 cents per lf. It was determined that if the prices the Road Foreman received (10 cents) have the glass bead specs we should move

forward in order to get them done timely.

Vice Chairman Kresge discussed the work he has been doing at the corner of Bonser Rd. and Rt. 115 which is now cleaned up and is ready for topsoil which will enhance the widening he has accomplished at the intersection. All agreed the Township can assist with what is necessary to finish the project.

Vice Chairman Kresge asked about an update on the pipelines activities to determine how much longer the construction company will be in the Township to address any problem areas such as the Tittle Rd. bridge and other roads they used during the expansion. Some discussion took place noting edges of Tittle Rd. all cracked, the bridge may need some attention. It was noted that the DVD that was taken showed the roadways before they began and will be helpful to determine any damages that may have occurred. Solicitor Dunn suggested that an engineer go over the roads and bridge and determine what is going to be required of the pipeline contractor with respect to any repair/s. Vice Chairman Kresge noted that he would meet with the Township Engineer to review the findings. The Secretary was requested to contact Russ Kresge, Township Engineer.

CORRESPONDENCE-Supervisor Drake noted that a letter was received from Attorney Maskrey informing the Township Supervisors that a scholarship has been established by the Arsha Vidya Pitham for a Ross Township resident who will attend the Monroe Campus of Northampton Community Campus in the amount of \$4,000.00 each year. Supervisor Drake asked the Secretary to write a letter to the Arsha Vidya expressing appreciation for their community spirit in this regard.

RECEIPTS & EXPENDITURES-After a review of the bills to be paid, a motion was made by Supervisor Drake to pay the bills as presented. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Kresge and carried.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m..

Respectfully submitted,

Doris Price, Secretary