

November 14, 2013
7:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Monroe Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairman Castle. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all.

ATTENDANCE

A.W. Castle, III, Chairman
Phil Kehoe, Vice Chairman
Samuel M. Simmons, III, Supervisor

Michael Pykosh, Solicitor
Mark Bruening, Engineer
Marjorie Metzger, Administrative Assistant
Greg Rogalski, Zoning Officer

SPEAKERS FROM THE AUDIENCE

The audience was full with residences who are concerned with the increasing sewer rates, the overall sewer situation, condition of the system, outstanding debt, and high expenses involved. There was written communication circulated amongst the southern sewer customers through an anonymous source that encouraged the residents to attend the meeting to discuss this matter. There was a two hour discussion between the audience and the Board in an effort to answer the questions raised and the concerns shared.

Ray Sampson, 1473 Lutztown Road, asked why the Monroe southern district is paying \$290 a quarter and South Middleton is only paying \$92. He suggested the Township explore the bankruptcy process. He asked the Township to get creative and look for something. He mentioned the high interest rates from twenty years ago that are being paid on the debt by the Municipal Authority. Mr. Castle explained when other municipalities installed the sewer there were state and federal grants available. Grants were not available when Monroe Township installed sewer. Mr. Kehoe said the debt is being paid by the Township. The Municipal Authority is an advisory board. The Township has consistently re-financed the bonds every time there has been a financial advantage. There are no bonds with high interest. A huge portion of the rate is for the debt service of the loans. As long as we have this level of debt, we will not be able to get down to \$92 a quarter.

Tracey Werner, 1391 Shuman Drive, shared sewer rates of surrounding municipalities, which are all much lower than Monroe's rates. There were bad decisions made a long time ago before the present Supervisors came on the Board. This issue is bigger than the Board, and she suggested bringing someone in who has more knowledge and knows how to make this better. There are some paying nothing and the rest of us are paying it all. If mortgages can't be paid and people are forced to leave, the Township will go under. People can't sell their homes; no one wants the big sewer payment. Those who don't pay the sewer don't understand the struggle. In the beginning, the residents were told the rate would go down as more people hooked on. It would be okay if everyone was helping. She asked about a tax to cover it and help everyone. She was concerned with the retired people.

Gene Henry, 1234 Kuhn Road, asked how many Supervisors are on sewer, and the response was one. He mentioned the three letters he has sent to the Township over the past nine

months with no responses from anyone. Mr. Kehoe took responsibility for that. Mr. Henry asked why there are separate sewer districts. People don't pay taxes based on different rates. The sewer should be spread out to everyone. He suggested the people come together and set up a savings account to put their sewer payments in. Let the Township place liens on the properties. What if 500 people don't pay their sewer bills? He said he is done.

Dr. Reza Azizkahn, 755 Eppley Road, has sympathy for the huge bills these people are paying. The people who have on-lot septic systems, if something goes wrong, they must pay a huge bill for repairs. He would rather pay the \$300 a quarter. He just paid \$18,000 to get a new septic system. The people not on sewer are not getting anything for free. We don't pay quarterly, but we still have to pay big if something goes wrong. There is a price for whatever system you are on.

John Aigeldinger, 1447 Lutztown Road, asked why it is the home owners' responsibility to repair and replace the grinder pumps. Years ago it was not like that. Years ago it was said the sewer was for everyone. It is a township expense. Why aren't the Supervisors on the sewer system? Mr. Castle said the sewer line does not go by his house.

Mike Conway, 1264 Brandt Road, said Mr. Simmons was against the sewer. Mr. Simmons said he voted for the sewer. But in 2008 the economy crashed and the building stopped. That is not the Township's fault. There was supposed to be 300 homes built in White Rock.

Stan Kingsborough, 1181 Boiling Springs Road, mentioned the letter that was placed in the mailboxes. South Middleton is pumping into the same plant as Monroe. Do we add a price to our volume for what they are pumping to offset this cost? South Middleton owns the plant, but we should charge them rent to level out the price.

Jeff Orner, 1485 Lutztown Road, mentioned the Township has asked for representation on the South Middleton Authority board. That is frustrating. At times they cooperate and share information. He suggested entering into a contract with South Middleton for full disclosure before they make decisions. Mr. Simmons said South Middleton is an Authority and they control it. They won't let us have a board member. The plant and all the upgrades, only 40% is for the Chesapeake Bay initiative, and 60% is for extra capacity. We have to pay our portion. We didn't buy the 200,000 gallons per day capacity that they wanted us to buy. That would have been 27% of the expenses. The building in our township is not happening. The rates for Monroe are set by the Monroe Supervisors.

Mr. Bruening said he spoke to Bob Kissinger about rates, who said he wouldn't know about rate increases until the plant is operating into 2015. There is no way to negotiate then because we have to pass the price along. Mr. Simmons mentioned the Supervisors met with the South Middleton Supervisors and nothing happened. Mr. Bruening said Monroe does have a contract with the South Middleton Authority. It is for 200,000 gallons per day. The plant was set for 750,000 gallons per day. We were paying for 27% of the costs. In order to meet the discharge rates for the Chesapeake Bay initiative, the capacity of the plant is being increased to 1.5 million gallons per day. With Monroe not paying for more capacity that cut our costs for

operation and maintenance down from 27% to 13.5%. The total costs are divided by the number of gallons and multiplied by 1 EDU for every 225 gallons per day. The cost for the debt service comes from unfunded mandates. Monroe has fought very hard with South Middleton, going line item by line item on the project, and negotiating. They thought the project was going to be \$15 million and the bids came in at \$25 million instead.

Mr. Kehoe said the Township authorized the engineering firm to do a full system review of the plant and submitted the recommendations to lower the cost of the project and the SMTMA refused to look at it. Our hands are tied. He is happy to see everyone at the meeting, but wishes the people were here through the process before the job was bid. There were public workshops and meetings and articles in the Sentinel, and there was no outcry. It is very frustrating.

Mike Conway asked why the billing is so high. Mr. Simmons said the engineer decides the rates with the information used to make that decision, as explained earlier. Mr. Bruening said everyone in the southern district pays the same rate. Mr. Simmons said there are three systems in the township. The southern district goes to South Middleton. The northern district goes to Mechanicsburg. The Monroe Acres area goes to Dillsburg. We don't have a plant of our own. That is why there are three different prices. Each district has different costs and rates and loan amounts.

Mr. Kehoe explained the sewer rates are going up because of the debt and financial structure. In 2013, we are paying about \$412,000 a year for operational expenses and \$462,000 on the outstanding debt. By 2018, it goes up to \$500,000 a year and \$680,000 on the debt service. We have to build up the rates to offset those costs. This is not a good position to be in. It is zero out funding. We are not building any rainy day fund or nest egg for major repairs. We are not putting anything aside. What we bill out and get in will pay the expenses for that year. Mr. Bruening said if the township would have saved money for years, we would not have had to borrow so much. But the township kept the rates down and had nothing extra.

Don Long, 1272 Brandt Road, said when this all started the sewer had to be put in to manage the water contamination. The water system should have been put in instead. The letter that was sent ten years ago said everyone in Monroe Township would be sewered. Now only a quarter are paying the bill. Has any water checks been done since the sewer was put in? No. The letter also said the grinder pumps were the responsibility of the township if the pump went bad. Now it is the home owner's responsibility. To put his grinder pump in and hook to the sewer cost \$6,000. He didn't need the sewer because his septic system was good. He feels the township is screwing the people terrible. Mr. Castle said there was a change in policy about the grinder pumps. Mr. Simmons said if the township had to repair the grinder pumps it would be more debt for all to pay. There are not sewer lines throughout the township. There were certain areas that the township was mandated by DEP to sewer. DEP also mandated the installation of sewer, not water. They don't want the ground polluted with the septic systems. Mr. Long said the water should have been installed along with the sewer. Mr. Simmons said the people would be paying for that to. Mr. Long said that meters were asked for, but everyone is paying the same rate. The sewer system is a joke. We can't add any more because we can't handle the overflow.

Mr. Castle said the township inherited the system from White Rock through a court case. It is a disaster. Then DEP says we are sewerage this area. We had to run the lines, which cost money. There are places we would like to sewer, but there are not enough homes to pay for it. It would take 30 years to cover the cost of the lines.

Mr. Long said when the fire company needed money there was a meeting and a fire tax was approved that all of us are paying. The sewer needs money so put a sewer tax on and have everyone pay it. Mr. Simmons said not everyone is using the sewer. Years ago though, everyone in the township did pay approximately \$900,000 in sewer costs to cover expenses not paid by White Rock. Mr. Long said the fire company buys fire trucks they don't need and they drive the cars around everywhere. Mr. Castle said the fire company got grants through the state.

Brad Geesey, 1124 Boiling Springs Road, asked about a school tax. He just spent \$2,200 on his grinder pump. The original pump was repaired three times in a nine month period. Does everyone have kids who pay the school taxes? Mr. Simmons asked if Mr. Geesey knew of any area that has a sewer tax.

David Brandt, 330 Sanderson Drive, suggested charging a flat fee for everyone on the sewer, regardless of what district you are in. It would reduce the costs for everyone.

Tracey Werner mentioned the comment about keeping up and paying attention. When we do come to meetings, these are the answers we get. When Supervisors are elected, we hope you will work in our favor. Mr. Kehoe said his focus is to try to clean up the township house as best as he can with things within our control. He has asked for a system inventory of what we have and then create a list of the problems. We have a broken sewer system. We need the list of what needs repaired and then what gives us the best bang for reducing infiltration and inflow. The Solicitor and Engineer have put forth efforts of seeking out all grant opportunities. Senator Vance assisted the township in getting the H2O grant for \$408,000 to make repairs. We will continue to seek out grants. Representative DeLozier is aware of the situation. Mr. Pykosh has been in contact with Senator Toomey. Having a system inventory ready to go will help us take advantage of any grant opportunities in the future. We are trying to work in small repairs each year in the road department budget instead of the sewer fund. This township is one of the lowest cost townships to live in other than the sewer. We are focusing on collection of outstanding debt. Twenty-five people owed \$100,000. We have been working with payment plans and have collected \$40,000. We have put in place an audit mechanism to make sure the invoices we received from South Middleton are correct. Anyone with creative ideas is encouraged to share them.

Charles Hollister, 1211 Pepper Road, asked what the plan is to get more users on the system. Mr. Simmons said instead of the township buying more capacity, if a developer comes, they have to buy the capacity to develop the area. No one has come or asked. We don't have capacity now for anyone to build. There are 750 homes by Ashcombe that have not been built. That would release pressure on the Dillsburg system. To purchase additional capacity from South Middleton would have cost \$800,000, and then our percentage would have increased to 27%. The rates would even go higher on the hope that a developer might come. Mr. Hollister said there must be discussion on a plan of how to bring relief to the southern district.

Don Long asked about connecting the homes in Lisburn Meadows. Every little bit helps. Mr. Kehoe said the building at present is with Sinclair and Tamanini. The township has been pro-active to make doing business a little easier. If any builder is looking to bring something before us, we are being more user friendly. Allenberry is another plan that has not moved forward. That would be on the southern system.

Mr. Rogalski mentioned the expansion project at Allenberry currently is for their buildings. It is not for the development of the homes. The expansion will not help with the sewer situation.

Sarah Speck, 352 Old Stone House Road, asked if Monroe only has 13% of the costs of running the plant and the rest is South Middleton's, then why is their bill only \$90 and ours is \$300. Mr. Bruening said South Middleton has a huge amount of customers compared to the amount Monroe has. South Middleton also had some money to put toward the project and we did not. Monroe has about 812 EDU's in the southern district. About 700 households and the rest are commercial. Mr. Kehoe said there are 2,200 homes in Monroe Township and a little over 1,100 on sewer, which is 51%.

Don Long said if a builder had all this land, would you come build homes knowing there would be a \$300 sewer bill? Mr. Kehoe said that is one part of the equation. There is more in deciding where to build other than the sewer. But he is sure it weighs heavy on the decision of staying here.

Charles Galaspy, 1327 Church Street, said he grew up here and will soon be 80 years old. When the sewer system first went in, we were told the price would come down. What happened? Mr. Simmons said most of the bonds are for 30 years. Mr. Galaspy asked about hooking the people on in Lisburn Meadows. Mr. Simmons said some of the people on Lisburn are on the sewer. Some people were given 13 years because they had new septic systems. That time has come and we have been working on getting some of them hooked up.

Mr. Galaspy said Monroe did not give South Middleton the land for the sewer plant. They bought it from Mr. Lear for \$46,000. Monroe owns land along the creek, why not build our own system? Mr. Castle said DEP will not allow it. There are too many plants on the creek already.

Mr. Galaspy said the fire company is a sore spot. New Kingstown has a state of the art operation and they don't have a fire tax. They are always having activities and fundraisers. Mr. Castle said Silver Spring Township does have a fire tax which is divided between their two fire companies. Mr. Galaspy said Monroe used to have yard sales and bingo and BBQ's. Mr. Castle said the casinos have hurt the bingo programs.

John Aigeldinger asked why the Lisburn area is optional for hooking on to the sewer. Mr. Simmons said there are four homes that need laterals bored under Simmons Road. We are looking at the costs. It could cost more money to hook up to the sewer than what the township would get out of it. Mr. Bruening said some of the Lisburn homes have the sewer line going by

their home and they will be connected within the year. There are about 15 homes on North Loop. It would cost over \$200,000 to run the sewer to those houses and the township would only get the \$4,000 tapping fee from each. We would have to borrow the money to get 15 people connected, and that cost would go to the users of the system. It doesn't make financial sense. Mr. Aigeldinger said he hears we are stuck with what we have. He asked if the Lisburn people will pay anything to the township for not having to hook up. Mr. Bruening said meters have been talked about. It cost more than what you get out of it. Most of the people do not have public water.

Charles Hollister said if everyone loses their homes and there is only one person left, will that one person have to pay the whole nut?

The question was raised as to what the quarterly rate would be without the debt. Mr. Bruening said it would be less than half of what it is now. The money was borrowed for a specific project and only the people on that system pay for that project.

Carlton Perry, 1301 Church Street, is new to the area and came from the Pocono area where there were the same sewer problems. He does infiltration and inflow work. Over years, the infiltration in inflow will get worse. He has seen companies doing work in White Rock and it is a mess. There are way solve the problems, but it will cost money. Everyone in the USA is seeing their rates going up. We are working with infrastructure from the 1970's. There is a fix for everything. Rates will not go down. The infiltration and inflow must be reduced. To add more people to the system is an option. The tapping fee could be increased. That is only collected for new homes. The Supervisors can only do so much. Anyone with a reasonable idea should share it. We have to help the township to make it better. The township inherited the system.

Gene Henry said when the system was put in White Rock, there was no input from the township. Mr. Simmons said the original system was done by the developer, who did it his way. Mr. Henry said this burden needs to be spread across the township. Payment should be based on usage.

Mr. Rogalski said there are 280 homes in White Rock. We don't know where the issues are, but are trying to find them. That is part of the process. Mr. Bruening said we would have to borrow \$3 million to fix everything, but we would have to pay for that. That makes the rates go up. We just tv'd Blossom Terrace and three of the seven laterals need replaced. White Rock system was constructed by the developer, and they also owned the system at Leidigh. The reason that treatment plant is there is because at that time it was the funding. They were doing such a poor job and were made to connect to the treatment plant. During that time, White Rock was not paying their bill. The township took them to court and won and judgment and White Rock went bankrupt. The township got the failing sewer system, and were out of \$900,000. We are fixing the immediate needs. Mr. Kehoe said the township is being reactive, not proactive because the money is not there.

Jim Clay, 1136 Boiling Springs Road, said Monroe buys sewer from everyone, and that is why there are three rates. We should look at the rates for all three and put them together. It is a township problem. Mr. Bruening said the township collects and conveys sewer.

Jane Lerch, 683 Valley View Drive, said before the fire tax, White Rock had bake sales on election days to help raise funds. The fire company is volunteer and they are providing a service to all of us. With regard to the sewer, she has attended more meetings than anyone since 1971. The sewer had to go in because of bad perc tests. The people who lived in White Rock tried to do their part. It is not our fault, we paid our bills.

Devin Flickinger said the fire company has ten active members and runs an average of 300 calls per year. That will be going up next year because they have been approached by Upper Allen and Dillsburg for additional mutual aid.

John Aigeldinger asked how the usage for commercial properties is determined. Mr. Bruening said there is a rate schedule, and so much is paid for every 1,000 gallons and so much for usage after that. It works out to be the same as the flat rate. The elementary school pays for 39 EDU's year round. Allenberry has a flow meter.

Mr. Castle appreciates everyone coming out. The residents keep saying "you guys", but the state has us all tied up. Then we deal with the different municipalities and the three sewer districts. We have talked about putting them all together. Mr. Simmons said the financial lawyer has said we cannot put the rates together because of the way the bonds are set up. Each district must pay their own debt. Mr. Castle encouraged the residents to contact their politicians. The township cannot change much of anything because we under the control of the county, state, and federal government. Monroe is getting a new state representative, Representative Regan. Ask him to see what funds are out there. It is a bad sewer system and we had no help with grants. We tried for grants but we don't qualify because of the income levels. The Supervisors are the front wall of government. Where can you go to a meeting and talk with the guys you elect? We are a sounding board and we hear you. We would like to do a lot of the things mentioned and we have tried. The Board is concerned. We are open for suggestions.

Mr. Kehoe said the township has the mechanics in place to seek out any funding. Give us a call if you know of anything. We just recently applied for an \$8,000 grant from the county for infrastructure, and it was not approved.

THE MEETING WAS RECESSED AT 8:45 PM AND RECONVENED AT 9:00 PM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On the motion of Mr. Kehoe, and seconded by Mr. Simmons, and by unanimous vote of the Supervisors it was duly RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the October 10, 2013 meeting, as amended.

On the motion of Mr. Kehoe, and seconded by Mr. Simmons, and by unanimous vote of the Supervisors it was duly RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2013 joint workshop with the Supervisors and Planning Commission.

ROADMASTER REPORT

On the motion of Mr. Kehoe, and seconded by Mr. Simmons, and by unanimous vote of the Supervisors it was duly RESOLVED to approve the Roadmaster's report.

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT

On the motion of Mr. Castle, and seconded by Mr. Simmons, and by unanimous vote of the Supervisors it was duly RESOLVED to approve the Zoning Officer's report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

PENN WASTE

The Board agreed to add the language to set the attorney rate the same as the current township solicitor rate for the collector's ability to charge the attorney fee for delinquent accounts. Mr. Pykosh will make the changes and prepare the ordinance for advertisement.

DILLSBURG AREA AUTHORITY

Mr. Pykosh has been in contact with the four property owners who have not hooked to the sewer yet in Monroe Acres, as well as Sheldon Williams at Dillsburg Area Authority. He will continue his communications to work toward a resolution. Two have responded and making positive movement. All four are paying the current sewer rate, but need to hook on.

ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS

The Board agreed to set a workshop to review the amendments for Monday, January 6, 2014 at 5:30 PM.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 2013-13 - BUDGET 2014

On the motion of Mr. Simmons, and seconded by Mr. Castle, and by unanimous vote of the Supervisors it was duly RESOLVED to adopt Resolution 2013-13, which is the budget of all funds for 2014.

RESOLUTION 2013-14 - RE-ENACT TAXES

On the motion of Mr. Kehoe, and seconded by Mr. Simmons, and by unanimous vote of the Supervisors it was duly RESOLVED to adopt Resolution 2013-14, which re-enacts certain taxation ordinances under the Local Tax Enabling Act for 2014.

RESOLUTION 2013-15 - REAL ESTATE TAX

On the motion of Mr. Simmons, and seconded by Mr. Kehoe, and by unanimous vote of the Supervisors it was duly RESOLVED to adopt Resolution 2013-15, which levies a .252 mill tax for real estate for 2014.

RESOLUTION 2013-16 - STREET LIGHT TAX

On the motion of Mr. Castle, and seconded by Mr. Simmons, and by unanimous vote of the Supervisors it was duly RESOLVED to adopt Resolution 2013-16, which establishes the current street light assessment rates for 2014.

RESOLUTION 2013-17 - FIRE HYDRANT TAX

On the motion of Mr. Castle, and seconded by Mr. Kehoe, and by unanimous vote of the Supervisors it was duly RESOLVED to adopt Resolution 2013-17, which establishes the current fire hydrant assessment rates for 2014.

RESOLUTION 2013-18 - FIRE SERVICE TAX

On the motion of Mr. Castle, and seconded by Mr. Simmons, and by unanimous vote of the Supervisors it was duly RESOLVED to adopt Resolution 2013-18, which levies a .304 mill tax for fire service for 2014.

RESOLUTION 2013-19 - SEWER RATES NORTH

On the motion of Mr. Simmons, and seconded by Mr. Kehoe, and by unanimous vote of the Supervisors it was duly RESOLVED to adopt Resolution 2013-19, which imposes user charges for the Northern Sewer District for 2014. The flat rate is \$235 per quarter, and the metered rate is \$11.60 per 1,000 gallons, with a minimum charge of \$184 per quarter.

RESOLUTION 2013-20 - SEWER RATES SOUTH

On the motion of Mr. Castle, and seconded by Mr. Simmons, and by unanimous vote of the Supervisors it was duly RESOLVED to adopt Resolution 2013-20, which imposes user charges for the Southern Sewer District for 2014. The flat rate is \$310 per quarter, and the metered rate is \$15.31 per 1,000 gallons, with a minimum charge of \$236.00 per quarter. This is a \$20 per quarter increase for the flat rate.

SET MEETING DATES

On the motion of Mr. Castle, and seconded by Mr. Simmons, and by unanimous vote of the Supervisors it was duly RESOLVED to set meeting dates for 2014, as prepared.

TRI-COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION NOMINATION

On the motion of Mr. Kehoe, and seconded by Mr. Simmons, and by unanimous vote of the Supervisors it was duly RESOLVED to nominate Brian O’Neill of South Middleton Township to serve as a representative on the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission.

TRINDLE STATION – BOND REDUCTION

On the motion of Mr. Simmons, and seconded by Mr. Kehoe, and by unanimous vote of the Supervisors it was duly RESOLVED to authorize the release of \$3,895.00 as a portion of the bond for Trindle Station Phase 1.

HUMANE SOCIETY AGREEMENT

On the motion of Mr. Castle, and seconded by Mr. Simmons, and by majority vote of Supervisors it was duly RESOLVED to approve the 2014 agreement with the Humane Society of Harrisburg to provide animal services. Mr. Kehoe opposed.

ORDINANCE 2013-3 - REPEAL PER CAPITA TAX

On the motion of Mr. Simmons, and seconded by Mr. Kehoe, and by unanimous vote of the Supervisors it was duly RESOLVED to adopt Ordinance 2013-3, which repeals Ordinance 3 of 1970, the Per Capita tax.

NIXON DRIVE LAND DONATION

Mr. Pykosh explained the gas company owns several parcels of land on Nixon Drive. The gas pipe runs across the land, as well as an access drive. The homes on this land have been taken down. The gas company is interested in donating this land to the Township. The Board was concerned that the Township would have to maintain the property, and it would come off the tax revenue. The Township would also have the liability of the pipeline, with no benefit to the residents.

On the motion of Mr. Simmons, and seconded by Mr. Kehoe, and by unanimous vote of the Supervisors it was duly RESOLVED to not accept the offer of land dedication from the gas company on Nixon Drive.

COMCAST FRANCHISE AGREEMENT

Mr. Pykosh is working on a franchise agreement with Comcast, which allows the Township to take up to a 5% revenue fee. The Township currently has an agreement with Verizon, but no fee is collected at this time. If a revenue fee would be collected from both Companies, it would be additional revenue for the Township. The Board would not want the franchise fee coming from the residents, as an increase in rates.

LISBURN ESTATES – SEWER BORING

Mr. Bruening said there are four homes in Lisburn Meadows that could be hooked to the sewer if laterals were installed. In order to do this, four borings would have to be done under Simmons Road. He has received three estimates from Wilbur, Gleim, and Kreider to do this work, ranging from \$14,480.00 to \$28,685.00. Approximately \$16,000 would be collected from these four properties for the tapping fee, which could pay for this boring work. In addition to the estimates received, there would be an additional \$1,500 to secure the four highway occupancy permits from PennDOT. This would be a revenue neutral project.

On the motion of Mr. Kehoe, and seconded by Mr. Simmons, and by unanimous vote of the Supervisors it was duly RESOLVED to authorize the four borings under Simmons Road to be completed by Jeff Wilbur at a price not to exceed \$14,480.00, plus \$1,500 for the four highway occupancy permits from PennDOT.

BILLS

On the motion of Mr. Castle, and seconded by Mr. Simmons, and by unanimous vote of the Supervisors it was duly RESOLVED to approve the bills as prepared.

STAFF COMMENTS:

Mr. Kehoe contacted Caterpillar about providing a service agreement on the township generators, including the generators for the sewer pumps. He will provide the contact information to the Roadmaster so that a price estimate can be requested.

Mr. Kehoe thanked the residents for attending the meeting. The sewer matter is not pleasurable, but everyone needs to be heard. It is important to keep the pressure up to do something.

Mr. Simmons congratulated Mr. Kehoe on his successful election. He wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and thanked everyone for coming to the meeting. He appreciates the orderly fashion, and is interested in hearing what everyone has to say as long as they are respectful. The Board will have to see what we can do.

Mr. Castle congratulated Mr. Kehoe on his successful election. He asked for the troops and their families to be remembered. There are still people dying. The next meeting is December 12. The township offices will be closed on November 28 & 29. Dr. Wood and the Carlisle Dog Club will be donating a sign and bags for cleaning up after your dogs at the Leidigh Park. Williams Grove Speedway is interested in installing a no littering sign along Speedway Drive. Santa visits the township on December 9.

Mr. Castle's trivia question was: How many eyes does an earthworm have? 0

God Bless America.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Marjorie E. Metzger
Administrative Assistant