DINGMAN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

FEBRUARY 21, 2012 MEETING AGENDA

THER WILL BE AN EXECUTIVE SESSION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD TO DISCUSS CURRENT LITIGATION

- 1. CALL TO ORDER Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: February 7, 2012 Regular Meeting
- 3. OLD BUSINESS
 - a) Sewage Ordinance Amendment Authorization to advertise
 - b) Other
- 4. NEW BUSINESS
 - a) Pike County Hazard Mitigation Plan Resolution #2012-03
 - b) 2012-13 COSTARS Salt Contract Participation Agreement
 - c) Recreation Commission vacancy
 - d) Resolution Implementing Act 44 of 2009 (Pensions)
 - e) Other
- 5. CORRESPONDENCE
 - a) Storb Environmental Annual Downstream Notification
 - b) Pike County tax Administration: Veterans Tax Exemption
 - c) Pike County Tax Claim Exoneration of taxes
 - d) Miscellaneous Correspondence
- 6. EMERGENCY SERVICES REPORTS
- 7. ROADMASTER REPORT
- 8. SEWAGE/ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT
- 9. TREASURER REPORT
 - a) Payment of Bills: \$ 36,857.08
 - b) General Fund Balance: \$ 398,643.45
- 10. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
- 11. ADJOURNMENT

ATTENDANCE:

Thomas E. Mincer, Chairman; Dennis L. Brink, Vice Chairman; Kerry W. Welsh, Supervisor; Karen Kleist, Secretary/Treasurer; John H. Klemeyer, Solicitor; Jim Snyder, Roadmaster; Chris Wood, Sewage/Zoning Enforcement Officer; William Mikulak, EMA Coordinator; Tom Stephenson, Milford Fire Dept; and members of the public and press.

ITEM NO. 1: CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Mincer called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm opening with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM NO. 2: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION was made by Kerry Welsh, seconded by Dennis Brink, and unanimously carried to approve the February 7, 2012 Minutes as presented.

ITEM NO. 3: OLD BUSINESS
A) Sewage Ordinance Amendment

The Board reviewed the final form proposed Sewage Ordinance amendment. MOTION was made by Dennis Brink, seconded by Kerry Welsh, and unanimously carried to advertise the proposed sewage ordinance amendment for public hearing and adoption.

ITEM NO. 3(B): Other Old Business There was no Other Old Business at this time.

ITEM NO. 4: NEW BUSINESS

A) Pike County 2012 Hazard Mitigation
Plan – Resolution No. 2012-03

Karen Kleist informed the Board that she reviewed the Plan and it is pretty generic. MOTION was made by Kerry Welsh, seconded by Dennis Brink, and unanimously carried to approve Resolution No. 2012-03 adopting the Pike County 2012 Hazard Mitigation Plan.

ITEM NO. 4(B): 2012-13 COSTARS Salt Contract Jim Snyder is requesting participation in the 2012-13 state salt contract in the amount of 700 tons (same amount as last year). The Agreement requires the Township to purchase at lease 60% of that amount. MOTION was made by Dennis Brink, seconded by Kerry Welsh, and unanimously carried to approve participating in the 2012 COSTARS Salt Contract in the amount of 700 tons.

ITEM NO. 4(C):

Recreation Commission Vacancy

Karen Kleist informed the Board that Matt Sickler, a resident of Old Mill Estates, is interested in serving on the Township Parks & Recreation Commission. Matt is an engineer by trade and has been active in Eastern Pike Soccer. MOTION was made by Dennis Brink, seconded by Kerry Welsh, and unanimously carried to appoint Matt Sickler to the Parks and Recreation Commission.

ITEM NO. 4(D):

Resolution Implementing Act 44 of 2009

Karen Kleist informed the Board that during a Pension fund audit last week with the Auditor General's office she was informed that they are requiring all municipalities to adopt written procedures outlining how professional services for pension plans are chosen. She provided a Resolution outline the policy and also a copy of applicable section of Act 44. Solicitor Klemeyer noted that on page 2 of the Policy, the first bulleted sentence is incomplete. After checking the Act, it was determined that the word "municipality" needs to be added. MOTION was made by Dennis Brink, seconded by Kerry Welsh, and unanimously carried to adopt Resolution No. 2012-04, establishing procedures for selecting professional services for pension plans, as amended above.

ITEM NO. 4(E): Other New Business There was no Other New Business at this time.

ITEM NO. 5: CORRESPONDENCE A) Storb Environmental The Board received the annual "Downstream Notification: for the underground storage tanks at Pocono Oil & Heat located on Route 6/402. There were no comments.

ITEM NO. 5(B):

Pike County Tax Administration

The Board was in receipt of notice of an abatement of 2012 taxes for John Ziccardi due to qualifying for a Disabled Veteran tax exemption. The Board had no objections.

ITEM NO. 5(C):

Pike County Tax Claim

The Board was in receipt of a list of properties sold from the County repository that had all taxes exonerated.

ITEM NO. 5(D):

Miscellaneous Correspondence

The Board reviewed various Miscellaneous Correspondence and had no comments.

ITEM NO. 6:

EMERGENCY SERVICES REPORTS

Tom Stephenson of Milford Fire Dept. submitted his report. There were 47 fire calls year-to-date (20 in Dingman) and 80 EMS calls (41 in Dingman). As always, training is on-oping.

EMA Coordinator Bill Mikulak informed the Board that he will be visiting Monroe County to see their reverse 911 system. Pike has stated that they will not implement one until after the Communications Center moves to the new facility (possibly in July).

ITEM NO. 7:

ROADMASTER REPORT

MOTION was made by Dennis Brink, seconded by Kerry Welsh, and unanimously carried to approve the February 6-19, 2012 Roadmaster Report as submitted and reviewed by Jim Snyder.

ITEM NO. 8:

SEWAGE / ZONING OFFICER REPORT

Chris Wood reported that the Delaware Riverkeeper and others have petitioned DEP to upgrade the river and all its tributaries north of Stroudsburg to EV status. This is being done in an attempt to eliminate fracking in northeast Pennsylvania, irregardless of all the other impacts it will have.

ITEM NO. 9:

TREASURER'S REPORT

MOTION was made by Kerry Welsh, seconded by Dennis Brink, and unanimously carried to approve the February 21, 2012 Treasurer's Report, Bill Payment List and General Fund balance, and to sign the checks following the meeting.

ITEM NO. 10: PUBLIC COMMENT

The Board was asked if the engineer for PMWL had contacted the Township about the Gazebo at the pond on VanAuken Hill Road. Karen Kleist stated she was not aware if he did but would find out.

Paul Boos asked if the Township was putting in a dog park. Chairman Mincer stated that a citizen group was interested, but the cost estimate developed by the Township's Recreation Consultant was for funds than the group could raise.

Mrs. Boos asked if the February 7th Minutes Item #4 could reflect that the resident was told that she should also contact the PMWL Community Association. Chairman Mincer informed her that the Township cannot enforce private deed covenants, but we do recommend all applicants check with their Associations.

ITEM NO. 11: EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board recessed to Executive Session at this time to discuss current litigation.

ITEM NO. 12: ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business after reconvening the regular meeting, MOTION was made by Kerry Welsh, seconded by Dennis Brink, and unanimously carried to adjourn the February 21st meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Kleist, Secretary/Treasurer