

Township Manager Report

For the Period Ending
January 12, 2015

1. Township and Other Meetings Held:

- The Board of Supervisors met on Monday December 22, 2014 at 7:30 P.M.
- I was on vacation on Tuesday December 23, 2014.
- The Township Offices were closed on December 24 and 25, 2014 for the Christmas holiday.
- The Township Offices were closed on January 1, 2015 for the New Year's Holiday.
- The reorganization meeting was held on Monday January 5, 2015.
- The meeting of the elected auditors was held on Tuesday January 6, 2015 at 5:00 P.M.
- The monthly EAC meeting was held on Wednesday January 7, 2015 at 5:30 P.M.
- The monthly Park and Recreation Commission meeting was held on Wednesday January 7, 2015 at 7:30 P.M.
- I met with Neal Fisher and the Township Engineer on Friday January 9, 2015 on the plan for the Bruner parcel.

2. Action Items for Board of Supervisors Meetings:

- The Township has received interest from 5 residents to be on the committee which will give input on what should be put on the Township web site.

3. Pending Subdivisions/Land Development/Applications:

- Toll/Eagle Farms: The developer has begun building the new road. Clearing has begun for stormwater facilities in Phase 2. A resident has complained about cutting of trees. The Township Engineer has investigated this complaint. The developer has set the new culvert in Eagle Farms Road.
- Wilkinson Associates/Birchrun Village: The buildings were demolished and the rubble removed and the site restored. The owner of the adjacent property paved a portion of the parking for the site. The EAC and the Park and Recreation Commission held a joint meeting at the site in August. Trees have been marked by volunteers for removal. Work has begun by Township employees to clear unwanted vegetation from the site.
- West Vincent Associates/Brunner: The Development Agreement was signed, as was the Sewage Facilities Agreement. The pump and haul application was submitted to PADEP. The applicant has submitted a phasing plan for approval.
- Kanavy Land Development: The Township has received an engineering review letter. The Planning Commission recommended conditional approval of the application. Materials were sent the applicant regarding the engineering review.

- Markle Subdivision Plan: The Township issued a decision approving the application. The applicant has appealed that decision. The Township is prepared to issue an amended decision. A revised plan was received as was a review letter from Carroll Engineering. A meeting was scheduled with representatives of the applicant, but it was cancelled at the request of the new counsel for the applicant. Counsel for the applicant has sent language to the Solicitor for the draft decision. A further extension has now been granted.
- Batchelor: Plan received November 21, 2013. Engineering review letter has been received. Representatives of the applicant did not attend the most recent Planning Commission meetings.
- **NEWLY RECEIVED:**
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4. **Miscellaneous:**

-Zoning Hearing Board Hearing Schedule:

-Flather: The applicant was withdrawn its appeal.

-Spadaford: Hearing held and decision issued.

-The Township continued to respond to Right-to-Know requests. In 2013, the Township received 215 requests, 184 of which were from Brian Curry. In 2014, the Township received 75 requests, 60 of which were from Mr. Curry. To date, the cost for the assistant to help in responding to such requests has been \$1,560 through 12/1/14. The cost of staff time exceeds \$5,000. Mr. Curry spent over 5 hours inspecting documents which were produced to him in response to recent Right-to-Know Requests. He spent an additional 4 hours inspecting documents during the scheduled inspection for Tuesday afternoon November 25, 2014.

5. **Financial:**

-Tax rates for 2015 will remain the same.

-The Township cancelled its health insurance with Independence Blue Cross effective January 31, 2015. Starting February 1, 2015, the Township's employees will be covered by DVHT.

6. **Township Construction/Maintenance:**

-The Road Department was called out numerous times to deal with snow and ice.

7. **Township Meetings Scheduled for the Near Future:**

-The Board of Supervisors will meet on Monday January 12, 2015 at 7:30 P.M.

-The Northern Federation will meet at a new location on Tuesday January 13, 2015 at 7:00 P.M.

-The monthly meeting of the Planning Commission will be held on Thursday January 15, 2015 at 7:30 P.M.

-The Sustainability Committee will meet on Tuesday January 20, 2015 at 7:30 P.M.

-The Board of Supervisors will meet on Monday January 26, 2015 at 7:30 P.M.

ROAD MASTER REPORT

DECEMBER 2014

Conducted ongoing maintenance and repair on Township equipment

Cleaned out inlets on various roads

Filled in potholes on various roads

Salted roads on December 2, 8, and 11

Graded several roads in the Township

Removed downed trees

Cleaned several ditches on roads in the Township