

London Britain Township Board of Supervisors Meeting

December 20, 2010

Approved at the Board of Supervisors meeting on 1/3/11

David Owens, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors opened the Budget Hearing at 7:05 PM. In attendance were Supervisors Aileen Parrish, Glenn Frederick, Secretary Carolyn Matalon, Treasurer Nette Stejskal and several residents.

Budget Hearing- David Owens opened the Budget hearing at 7:05 pm. David Owens discussed the new millage rate along with the reasons for any increases to the budget. Nette Stejskal stated that the Fire Co asked for addition funding for emergency services and London Britain Township did increase the amount given but not the total amount asked for. David Owens closed the Budget hearing at 7:21pm.

David Owens, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors opened the Board of Supervisors meeting at 7:22 PM.

In attendance were Supervisors Aileen Parrish and Glenn Frederick, Secretary Carolyn Matalon, Treasurer Nette Stejskal and several residents.

New Business

Charlie Trouba/Eagle Scout- Charlie Trouba presented a plan to the Board for his Eagle scout trail project. Materials and expenses are 6 cedar posts and possible rental of tools. A schedule of work was presented, 3 days, 6 hrs per day. The Board signed an Eagle Scout letter of approval for the project.

Old Business

SPCA contract- The Board signed the 2011 contract for full coverage in the amount of \$1930.

Business from the Floor

Ashland Nature Center Native plant sale- David Owens met with a representative of the Ashland Nature center. In May, Ashland Nature Center will have a sale of native species plants. London Britain Township will educate the township residents with native species plants in the near future.

Open space Tax- Joe McNelis asked what the budgeted amount is for maintenance of open space. This amount will need to be established in order to put up for a referendum. Stephanie Town requests that before any more public announcements are given, the planning commission will need to seriously consider any adjustments to any considerations. Glenn Frederick stated that we need to start setting aside funds for maintenance of the open space acquired. Aileen Parrish noted that some of the money in the open space fund is encumbered by loans. Les Town stated that with the real estate market down, now is the time to acquire open space. Chris Whetham has 2/3 of his property in preservation, there was 10% levied against the preservation for maintenance and overall care of the property. A system of maintenance funds needs to be established with funds from the landowner. Joe McNelis noted that maintenance endowments can be used in 2-3 years. He also stated the original thought of the open space money is to buy land. Joe McNelis stated that the greenway has progressed forward with 1 more piece to go and the township needs to be prepared for this when it happens. A separate maintenance millage could be asked for.

Les Town suggested a joint meeting with the Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors. The Planning Commission would also like to discuss the acreage change for open space suggested by Glenn Frederick with the Board of Supervisors.

Glenn Frederick stated that when we get into subdivision and land development ordinances we actually mandate the developer that if they do a smaller tighter knit community, architectural renderings be provided. Design standards being placed on the final plan and not the homeowners document should be discussed. Joe McNelis noted that many of the parcels left in the township are not viable for large development.

Ann Hutchingson of the Natural Lands Trust has offered to take a look at any subdivisions we have developed with Growing greener and will talk with the Township about them. She will come to a few meetings at no charge. The Planning Commission would like to meet with the Board of Supervisors at the second Planning Commission meeting on January 25, 2010.

Treasurer Report

Resolution #10-18- David Owens read Resolution #10-18. Glenn Frederick made a motion to accept Resolution #10-18 which states that the expenditures and expenses of the fiscal year 2011 in total of \$1,282,099 are hereby appropriated from the fund equities, revenues, and other financing sources available for the year 2011 in the total of \$1,652,926 for the specific purposes set forth. Aileen Parrish seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Resolution #10-19- David Owens read Resolution #10-19. Glenn Frederick made a motion to accept Resolution #10-19 which states that a tax be levied on all real property within the Township of London Britain subject to taxation for the fiscal year 2011 as follows. Aileen Parrish seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

General Purposes	2.040 mills
Emergency Services	0.400 mills
Park and Recreation Services	0.300 mills
Open Space Purposes	0.200 mills
Capital projects, Road Improvements, Equipment Purchases	0.470 mills
TOTAL	3.410 mills

Nette Stejskal read the December 20, 2010 Treasurer Report (report attached)

Bills over \$1000

Apple Press	\$1327.00	Derry Mills Excav	\$36495.00
Avondale Fire	\$4559.25	Land Tech Ent	\$20040.00
Indep Blue Cross	\$3954.00	Walsh Engineering	\$1384.13
Lucas Communications	\$1250.00	Derry Mills Excav	\$4515.00
MacElree Harvey	\$1226.75	Tecot Elect. Supply	\$2769.54
MSI	\$1096.00		
Parke Barnes Spangler	\$2642.51		
Steven Henry	\$2000.00		
Walsh Engineering	\$4206.25		
West Grove Fire	\$10638.25		

General Fund- David Owens made a motion to acknowledge the ACH payments of the DVRFA Loan principal and interest from the General Fund. Glenn Frederick seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

General Fund – David Owens made a motion to pay bills as represented by General Fund Wilmington Trust with checks # 13221-13237 from the General Fund. Glenn Frederick seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Plgit-General Fund- David Owens made a motion to pay bills with ck# 5201-5234 with cks# 5199-5200 void from the Plgit General Fund. Glenn Frederick seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Parks Fund- David Owens made a motion to pay bills with ck#2517-2520 from the Parks Fund. Glenn Frederick seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Fund. Aileen Parrish seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Open Space Fund- David Owens made a motion to acknowledge the transfer of funds from the Open Space Fund to the General Fund. David Owens seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Capital Fund- David Owens made a motion to pay bills with ck# 1335-1341 from the Capital Fund Account. Glenn Frederick seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Capital Fund- David Owens made a motion to acknowledge the transfer of funds from the Capital Fund to the General Fund. Glenn Frederick seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Highway Fund- David Owens made a motion to pay bills with ck#6033-6038 from the Highway Fund. Aileen Parrish seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Meadows II Escrow Account- David Owens made a motion to pay bills with ck# 153 from the Meadows II Escrow Account. Glenn Frederick seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Misc. Escrow Account- David Owens made a motion to pay bills with ck#121 from the Misc. Escrow Account. Glenn Frederick seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Auditor Quotes- Nette Stejskal stated our bonding company looks at the Tax collector audit. We will need to audit the Tax collector each year. Nette Stejskal provided quotes to the Board of Supervisors for review. Glenn Frederick made a motion to approve the use of BBD LLP as the Township auditor. David Owens seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment David Owens made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 PM. Glenn Frederick seconded and the motion carried unanimously.