

15th September 2008 @ 7:00 P.M.

~~The~~ Township Board of Commissioners held their regular monthly meeting on the above date and time at 629 N. Gov. Printz Blvd., Essington, PA 19029 with Michael J. Messina, President, presiding. Present:

Dennis R. Arthur, Vice-President
Thomas J. Giancristoforo, Jr., Commissioner
Joseph F. Wunder, Commissioner
Pat Barr, Commissioner
Jean L. McCoy, Secretary
Sam S. Auslander, Esq., Solicitor
James W. MacCombie, P.E., Engineer

President Messina called the meeting to order, all rose for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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SPECIAL PUBLIC HEARING

Application of the City of Philadelphia, Division of Aviation for the proposed use and for an addition/alterations to Terminal A East, Sector 23 Philadelphia International Airport. The applicant intends to install a Checked Baggage Inspection System.

The application is submitted pursuant to Section 61-5.1 of the Township Zoning Code.

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ON A MOTION by Thomas Giancristoforo, second by Pat Barr the minutes of the Commissioners Monthly Meeting were accepted and approved, by a unanimous voice vote.

President Messina reported that all members had received copies of the Treasurer's and Secretary's Report of Receipts. There being no questions;

ON A MOTION by Joseph Wunder, second by Dennis Arthur, the reports were accepted and approved as submitted, by a unanimous voice vote.

President Messina reported that all members had received the list of bills for the month of September, 2008. There being no questions;

ON A MOTION by Thomas Giancristoforo, second by Joseph Wunder, the bill list will be paid for the month of September 2008 by a unanimous voice vote.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ADMINISTRATION, LAW, ORDINANCE, PUBLIC SAFETY AND FINANCE – Michael J. Messina, Chairman

Adoption of Ordinance No. 2008 – 825

Ms. McCoy, Township Secretary, read Ordinance No. 2008 – 825.

**TOWNSHIP OF TINICUM
ORDINANCE NO. 2008 - 825**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TINICUM, DELAWARE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA AMENDING AND/OR SUPPLEMENTING THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TINICUM, CHAPTER 6 ANIMALS ESTABLISHING ARTICLE IV PROHIBITING THE FEEDING OF UNCONFINED WILD AND/OR STRAY ANIMALS; PROVIDING ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the TOWNSHIP OF TINICUM, County of Delaware, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, that the Code of the Township of Tinicum Chapter 6, Domestic Animals is hereby amended as follows:

**ARTICLE IV
PROHIBITING THE FEEDING OF UNCONFINED WILD AND/OR STRAY ANIMALS**

§6-27. Purpose

The Board of Commissioners of Tinicum Township find that the feeding of unconfined wild and/or stray animals is both detrimental to the animals and causes a public health nuisance, a safety hazard that is detrimental to the general health, safety and general welfare of the public.

§6-28. Definitions

As used in this Article, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

"Feed" or "Feeding" means the act of furnishing, exposing, placing, depositing, distributing or scattering any food or other substances which is likely to attract, lure or entice unconfined wild and/or stray animals.

Person shall mean any individual, owner, occupier, corporation, company, partnership, firm, association, club, society or any other form of association or organization subject to the jurisdiction of the Township.

Stray animal shall mean an unlicensed or unregistered domesticated animal whose owner is unknown or cannot be located, or any such animal whose owner is known but permits the animal to roam at large on any street, alley, road, range or premises of another without permission.

Wild animal shall mean any species of animal wild by nature, as distinguished from the common domesticated animals. A wild animal is one that can survive in its natural environment

without the help or assistance of humans, including but not limited to bears, coyotes, deer, feral cats, foxes, groundhogs, opossums, raccoons, skunks and waterfowl.

§6-29. Prohibited Conduct

1. No person within the Township of Tincum shall intentionally harbor, maintain, control, feed, cause to be fed or provide or make available food or other substances likely to be consumed by unconfined wild and/or stray animals either on private or public properties within the borders of the Township of Tincum;
2. No person within the Township of Tincum may place or allow any device, mechanical feeder, or other instrument designed to attract or entice unconfined wild and/or stray animals on any public or private property within the borders of the Township of Tincum;

§6-30 Exclusions

1. The feeding of small songbirds or other backyard birds shall be permitted outdoors at such times and in such numbers that:
 - a. Such feeding does not create an unreasonable disturbance that affects the rights of surrounding property owners and/or creates a nuisance;
 - b. Does not create an accumulation of droppings on the property or surrounding properties in violation of health and safety ordinances;
 - c. Does not become an attractant for rodents or other wild or stray animals; and
 - d. Bird feeders or other mechanical devices for feeding of small birds shall be placed at least five (5) feet above the ground and utilized so as not to be an attractant to unconfined wild and/or stray animals.
2. The feeding of wildlife is permitted within confined zoos, educational environmental centers or federally protected wildlife preserves.

§6-31 Enforcement

1. Police Officers, Animal Control Officers, or any other designated and authorized personnel of Tincum Township are hereby given the full power and authority to enforce this Ordinance and to seize, impound and transfer any unconfined wild and/or stray animal to a licensed kennel or other facility authorized by law to receive and dispose such animal.
2. Any person found to be in violation of this Ordinance shall be ordered to immediately cease the feeding or harboring of unconfined wild and/or stray animals, removing all food, substances or devices placed on property in violation of this Ordinance.

3. Failure to remove such food or other substances, attractants or devices after notice from the appropriate Tinicum Township Official shall constitute a separate violation of this Ordinance.
4. It shall be unlawful for any person to hinder, molest or interfere with anyone authorized or empowered to perform any duty or responsibility under this Ordinance.

§6-32 Penalties

Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate any provision of this Article, upon conviction thereof, an action brought before a District Justice in the manner provided for the enforcement of summary offenses under the Pennsylvania Rules of Civil Procedure, shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than Three Hundred (\$300.00) Dollars, plus costs of prosecution. In default of payment thereof, the defendant may be sentenced to imprisonment for a term not exceeding ten (10) days. Each day or portion thereof that such violation continues or is permitted to continue shall constitute a separate offense, and each Section of this Article that is violated shall also constitute a separate offense.

§6-33 Repealer

All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict. The Township reserves the right at any time by Ordinance to amend or otherwise modify or repeal this Ordinance.

§6-34 Severability

Should any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, laws or phrase of this Ordinance shall be declared invalid for any reason whatsoever, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance which shall remain in full force and effect and for this purpose, the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable.

§6-35. Effective Date

This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED into an Ordinance and passed by the Tinicum Township Board of Commissioners on the 15th day of September, 2008.

TOWNSHIP OF TINICUM BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

BY: MICHAEL J. MESSINA, PRESIDENT

Attest: Jean L. McCoy, Secretary

Mr. Auslander said that I want everyone to understand that there is a exclusion in the ordinance for feeding small songbirds or other backyard birds, as long as it does not create an unreasonable disturbance that affects surrounding property owners. The use of bird feeders are permitted as long as they are placed at least five feet in the air to avoid the squirrel problem.

ON A MOTION by Thomas Giancristoforo, second by Dennis Arthur to approve Ordinance 2008 – 825, to adopt Ordinance No. 2008-825, Prohibiting the feeding of unconfined wild animals by a unanimous roll call vote.

Smart Park Land Development & Grading Permit

Land Development

Mr. MacCombie said that I know the applicant is here. The intent is to reaffirm or allow them to file a revision to the previously approved Land Development Application. The concerns that I have is if it is the Board's intent to affirm the decision based on the ordinances that were in effect in 2001, will this applicant have to comply with the new Storm Water Management Ordinance that is in effect now, or do they comply with the ordinance that was in effect in 2001? There are also things on there that affect both the Grading and the Land Development Application. I believe that they were in the process of getting an agreement with PECO Energy. PECO Energy owns a portion of the property where they are building.

Previously, there was a building proposed on the plan. I don't see the building, but there is a ticket booth. I did receive a letter from the Comfort Inn to allow the employees of this facility to use their restrooms. Whether that is going to be part of the revisions, I don't know. I know there are existing poles on the property that were put on the property without their permission by PECO. I do not know whether that issue is resolved or not.

Mr. Jackson said that we accept the proposition that we must comply with the ordinances for the storm water, and we intend to do that. We have a ninety-nine year lease with PECO, which I will provide to you. In regard to the pole relocation, they did trespass on our land, and we did deal with that. The pole relocations language is in the lease. We have to submit plans to PECO and we have to go through their regulatory proceedings. The building has been removed. I explained to the Commissioners that we entered into an agreement with Mr. Ponns to lease the rest of the building where Smart Park is located. They will be expanding there, so we will not need a new building. In terms of the restroom, the Comfort Inn was gracious to give us that letter. A restroom will actually be constructed on the end of the toll booth, so that it will provide for the employees to have rest room facilities there.

Mr. Auslander said that we are going to modify the previous conditions with respect to some of the new ordinances on storm water management, etc. Mr. MacCombie will address the sidewalk issue with respect to his comments and you can respond. This is just to allow the reopening of that Land Development. It is not for any given approval. I think that it can be worked out between the engineers and yourself. When you finally come forward for approval purposes, we will address it.

Mr. MacCombie said that the only ordinance that was changed was the storm water ordinance.

ON A MOTION by Thomas Giancristoforo, second by Dennis Arthur to reopen Smart Park's existing, previously approved Land Development Application for the purpose of examining some

revisions to the plans and re-affirmation of the Land Development, subject to the approval of the plan's revisions by a unanimous roll call vote.

Grading Permit

ON A MOTION by Joseph Wunder, second by Thomas Giancristoforo to approve the submission of a Grading Permit Application by Smart Park prior to final approval of their Land Development Application. However, it is expressly stated that the application and potential granting of said Grading Permit does not, in any way, imply approval of the Land Development Application prior to the required land application review and approval process by a unanimous roll call vote.

4 Individuals Land Development Application – Extension of Time

ON A MOTION by Thomas Giancristoforo, second by Joseph Wunder to approve the extension of time with which a decision must be rendered for the 4 Individuals Land Development Application until January 31st, 2009 by a unanimous roll call vote.

Storm Water Management Waiver for Wally Park

Mr. MacCombie said that the overall project entails a lot of landscaping, repaving and restriping to try to address the aesthetics. There is a lighting issue and storm water management issue. The applicant asked for a waiver of the storm water management. The applicant is here to explain why.

I am Gus Houtman, and I am joined here by a representative from Wally Park and Mr. Kerry Haber of Bernardon, Haber Halloway Architects.

The project is located on both the east and west side of Scott Way. Wally Park owns both of the parcels. Currently, the properties are parking facilities for the airport. At the start of this year, Wally Park applied for a grading permit to install a number of improvements at the property. Some are landscaping and beautification items. Also there are concrete items at the entrances. There are renewed lighting fixtures, etc. Through the review process, we became aware that some components of the land development qualified as redevelopment, which would be the scored concrete pavement, as well as macadam improvements.

The last revisions included storm water management improvements, associated with the improvements that were defined as redevelopment. A letter was generated by our office dated September 9th, 2008, which outlined the improvements. There was also a Cost Estimate that was generated by our office for the storm water management improvements associated with the redevelopment portions of the project. Through the process of installing the landscape island and adding green spaces, we have actually reduced the overall impervious coverage of the property. On the east lot, we reduced the impervious coverage by approximately 5,000 square feet and on the west lot, we reduced the impervious coverage by approximately 6,000 square feet. So, except for the redevelopment, it would be my opinion that storm water management not be required for these properties, because we are reducing the impervious coverage. We do fall under the definition of the redevelopment, so it was the applicant's intention, that instead of

installing these facilities, they would provide some of the installation cost to Tincum Township to help pay for the MS4 program or for Township sponsored storm water management. We believe that would be a much better use of the money instead of doing the improvements on the property. The cost of the overall improvements is anywhere between seventy and one hundred thousand dollars for the storm water management improvements.

Mr. Messina said that because of the location the infiltration aspect would not work.

Mr. Houtman said that several test bores were done in several locations. There is no soil that would be acceptable for the infiltration.

Mr. MacCombie said that they are in fact increasing their runoff, based on the overall green space and based on our ordinance. Also, if the building is more than 4,000 square feet, a land development is required.

Mr. Houtman said that we offered \$25,000.00.

Mr. Messina said that the amount is usually 1/3 of the cost of improvements. Mr. Messina said that we need to be consistent with everyone. Mr. Messina said that we are still subject to the unfunded MS4 mandate.

Mr. Auslander said it is prior practice that we have used in instances like these, where we have the storm water management issue, and the possibility of constructing that kind of project is not feasible. Then a contribution is normally made to our MS4 fund. Mr. Auslander said that it would be approximately \$33,000.00.

ON A MOTION by Dennis Arthur, second by Joseph Wunder to approve the Storm Water Management Waiver for Wally Park for their grading permit at their property located on Scott Way and Route 291 by a unanimous roll call vote.

Tincum Township Sewage Authority Loan

This is an application that has recently been made by the Sewer Authority for infrastructure improvements on our sewer projects. It is a loan, and Delaware Valley has presented the best proposal. This is the initiation of the program by advertising the ordinance. The applicant will be the Sewer Authority. The Board of Commissioners will be guaranteeing the payment of the outstanding balance on the loan through the Sewer Authority. The Sewer Authority is limited in terms of their self-liquidating abilities, because of the fact that we have a high limit on our sewer rates, meaning it almost appears to be a commercial rate, as opposed to most residents not paying. The loan application is for \$1,150,000.00. The advertising will be prepared for next month.

Mr. MacCombie noted that the capital improvement project will be along Seneca and Jansen and on LaGrange and Front.

ON A MOTION by Joseph Wunder, second by Thomas Giancristoforo to advertise an ordinance whereby the Township is guaranteeing the repayment of the Sewage Authority loan of

\$1,150,000 from the Delaware Valley Regional Finance Authority to complete capital improvement projects on the Township's sewer system by a unanimous roll call vote.

Signs to be located at Tincum Township Firehouse

ON A MOTION by Thomas Giancristoforo, second by Joseph Wunder to approve a request from the Tincum Township Fire Company to place two signs at the Tincum Township Firehouse by a unanimous roll call vote.

One sign will be for the Township Fire Company with LED lettering and another sign would be a directional sign for the Lazaretto Ballroom. My understanding is that the proposed signs are in compliance with all zoning ordinances.

Occupational Medicine Provider

Mr. Schreiber said that Mr. Giancristoforo and I attended a presentation by Occupational Medicine, Nova Care, which is right here in Tincum Township on Stevens Drive. They talked about their facilities and what they provide in relation to what is being provided by our current provider. They are less expensive, are quicker, are more accurate, and they do all of their occupational therapy and testing right on site, rather than have someone go to Taylor or another facility and spend two hours there. We have checked with our insurance provider, and they have said that it is not an issue to do this. As we assessed in our Workshop Meeting, there seems to be a quicker turn around for us.

Mr. Messina asked if there was any issues relevant to our collective bargaining agreements.

Mr. Schreiber responded to the negative. The site facility is not specifically addressed.

Mr. Arthur asked Mr. Giancristoforo if he went to the meeting at Occupational Medicine on behalf of his employer.

Mr. Giancristoforo responded, "Yes."

ON A MOTION by Thomas Giancristoforo, second by Pat Barr to authorize the Board of Commissioners to appoint Occupational Medicine Company managed by Nova Care to provide the occupational medical coverage (drug and alcohol testing, work injuries, physical therapy, etc.) currently being provided by Park Care of Crozer by a unanimous roll call vote.

Tincum Land Vest LLC

Mr. Messina said that at this time I will ask for a motion to table this, because the attorneys were e-mailing each other today, and they are still in negotiations.

This was originally a motion to extend the timeframe by which Tincum Land Vest LLC is required to make public improvements on their Land Development.

Mr. Giancristoforo asked why we are tabling this.

Mr. Auslander said that the issue was the amount of increase in the inflationary cost to do the work, and whether or not their bond should be increased.

Mr. Messina said that they did not want to do the work in a timely fashion, because of the real estate market, and so they are asking for us to give them an extension on the timeframe in which they have to do it. As time goes by, the cost of the project may increase. Subsequently, we want to make sure that the Township is covered by increasing the escrow by 10% over that. At this point in time, they are still working on it.

Mr. Auslander said that the agreement does allow for the extension as long as there is a representative increase in the amount of the coverage. They did post a letter of credit from the bank. We are just working on what the actual numbers are. We can consider this at the October's meeting.

ON A MOTION by Dennis Arthur, second by Joseph Wunder to table the vote on extending the timeframe by which Tincum Landvest LLC is required to make public improvements on their Land Development by a unanimous roll call vote.

RFP for Repairs to Westinghouse Grove Log Cabin

Repairs are needed to the exterior and interior of the Boy Scout log cabin.

In the Workshop Meeting, the Commissioners discussed splitting up the items that would make up the Request for Proposal, so that we could reject all, or any portion, of the proposals.

ON A MOTION by Thomas Giancristoforo, second by Joseph Wunder to authorize the Township Engineer to submit a Request for Proposal on the repairs needed to the exterior and interior of the Boy Scout log cabin by a unanimous roll call vote.

Hiring of Part Time Police Officers

Mr. Auslander said that we as a First Class Township must comply with Civil Service Compliance, and they will go through Civil Service Testing Procedures.

Mr. Giancristoforo said that he thought there were going to be changes made prior to advertising for the Police Officers.

Mr. Schreiber said "Do we want to consider reviewing the Civil Service Regulations prior to the advertisement, or do we want to move forward."

Mr. Giancristoforo said that you can't advertise and then take away.

Mr. Messina said that if we are going to make changes, we should be doing it before we advertise and hire.

Mr. Matlawski will be working with us to change that so that the Township will not be forced to hire a full-timer out of the part-time pool. That is the only suggestion that I had to the Board. I do not think that we should be locked in to that.

Mr. Auslander said that we are working on the language that is being presented to the Civil Service Commission. They will then present to this Board.

ON A MOTION by Thomas Giancristoforo, second by Joseph Wunder to table the motion to authorize the Civil Service Board to advertise and conduct testing for the hiring of replacement Part Time Police Officers by a unanimous roll call vote.

Mr. Messina asked at what point do we have to decide how many we are going to hire.

Mr. Giancristoforo said that the Civil Service Commission will take care of the advertising. They take care of everything.

Mr. Auslander said that the first step is that we have to adopt the Revision to the Rules and Regulations of Civil Service. Once they are implemented and adopted by this Board, then Civil Service can act through the implementation.

Mr. Giancristoforo said so that the public is aware, we had four part-timers, and we are down to two.

Resolution No. 2008-19 – Ron Raymond Resolution

**TOWNSHIP OF TINICUM, DELAWARE COUNTY
RESOLUTION NO. 2008 - 19**

WHEREAS, The Honorable Ron Raymond, Pennsylvania State Representative of the 162nd Legislative District, first began his life in public service in 1973 as a local Committee Man in Sharon Hill Borough and later served on Sharon Hill Borough Council from 1978 to 1981 and as Mayor from 1981 to 1984 and served 24 years on the state level as Representative of 8 municipalities within Delaware County, and

WHEREAS, during his tenure as State Representative, Ron has served in numerous and various capacities including Chairman of the Liquor Control Board, Secretary of the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee, Member of the House Consumer Affairs Committee, and a Member of the House Committee on Rules, and

WHEREAS, during his many years of service to the residents of his District within Delaware County, Ron was particularly instrumental in providing many millions of dollars to Tincum Township for a number of projects too numerous to mention but including such important initiatives as the new Tincum Township Firehouse, acquisition of the historic Lazaretto property, erecting sound barriers along Interstate 95, acquisition of a large portion of river-front property from

Westinghouse, renovations to Manor Park, and many other programs benefiting police and fire personnel, and,

WHEREAS, residents, officials, and friends of Tincum Township wish to publicly thank and commend Ron on his outstanding contributions in public service on both the local and state level,

NOW, Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Commissioners of the Township of Tincum wish to present to Ron Raymond this Resolution and commemorative plaque to honor and memorialize his service to Delaware County and the 162nd Legislative District of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

RESOLVED, This 15th day of September 2008

**TOWNSHIP OF TINICUM
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

BY: MICHAEL J. MESSINA, PRESIDENT
Attest: Jean L. McCoy, Township Secretary

ON A MOTION by Thomas Giancristoforo, second by Dennis Arthur to approve Resolution No. 2008-19, honoring Ron Raymond for his many years of service by a unanimous roll call vote.

Code Enforcement Officer – August 2008 Report

The Code Enforcement Officer issued:

12 Certificates of Occupancy for a total of \$1,325.00
17 Building Permits for a total of \$8,470.00

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Police, Fire, Buildings and Special Projects: Thomas Giancristoforo, Chairman:

POLICE REPORT:

Fines collected for the month of August, 2008

Township Fines \$8,035.73 Out of that amount \$375.00 were Parking Tickets
The department handled 830 incidents and made 61 criminal arrests.

43 of those criminal arrests were adult

18 of those criminal arrests were juveniles. Of the Juveniles:

17 of the juveniles were referred to criminal or adult court

1 of the juveniles was referred to Juvenile Court or Probation Department

14 animals were taken into custody

FIRE COMPANY REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST, 2008

Tinicum Township Fire Company

August 2008

Tinicum Township Fire Company responded to a total of 44 Fire Alarms with 482 members responding. Hours in service 14 Hours and 25 Minutes with a property loss of \$0 and a content loss of \$0.

Annual Fireman's Convention

Tinicum Township Fire Company's Rescue Truck won the First Place award for best fire truck at this year's New Jersey Fireman's Convention. Congratulations to Chief Walter Lee and all of the firemen.

Legislation

There has been legislation proposed in Harrisburg that would require all municipalities that use the State Police as their policing force to pay a fee to the State of \$100 per person. This legislation should be supported by all those with a paid police department since our residents in essence wind up paying taxes to support two police departments. There are several towns, some with over 10,000 residents that use the State Police (Middletown-12,000, Edgemont-1,400, Concord-6,500, Thornbury-3,500). In contrast our town of 4,500 people has a police force of 17 officers. The police budget alone for Tinicum is almost 25% of our total budget (\$2,311,000 out of a total of \$9,364,067).

ON A MOTION by Thomas Giancristoforo, second by Pat Barr to support the proposed legislation in Harrisburg that would require all municipalities that use the State Police as their policing force to pay the fair share fee to the State for police coverage by a unanimous voice vote.

Fire Marshal Report - July & August, 2008

- 9 - Certificate of Occupancy Inspections
- 9 - Reports related to the CO Inspections
- 17 - Building Permit Reviews
- 17 - Reports related to BP Reviews
- 10 - Inspection after Hours - 10PM to 12:30 AM Philadelphia International Airport
Sprinkler & Fire Alarm System Acceptance Tests
- 11 - Inspection related to Building Permits
- 5 - Fire Alarm Acceptance Test
- 13 - Other Inspections
- 1 - Violation Notice - Comfort Inn
- 2 - Fireworks Permits Issued
- 4 - Meetings Related to Building Permits

- 1 - Court Hearing - Media
- 48 - Phone conversations related to Building Permits, Certificates of Occupancy, Court Hearings, and related Township Business

911 Anniversary

Mr. Giancristoforo said that this past Thursday marked the seventh anniversary of September 11th, 2001 when terrorists attacked America. I would like to request that our thoughts and prayers go out to all of those who have given the ultimate sacrifice on this day, and I further request that we not forget our first responders, police, firemen and EMS personnel for risking their life on a daily basis in order to protect us.

Public Works, Highways, and Railroads: Dennis R. Arthur, Chairman

Highway Department Report for August, 2008:

There is no Highway Department Report for August 2008.

Employment Status of Steven Reagan

I would like to have a motion to change the status of Steven Reagan, 59 Amosland Road, Norwood from part time to full time status effective September 15th, 2008,

ON A MOTION by Dennis Arthur, second by Thomas Giancristoforo to change the status from part time to full time employment for Steven Reagan, 59 Amosland Road, Norwood, effective September 15th, 2008 by a unanimous roll call vote.

Recycling of Newspapers

Mr. Arthur asked the Township Manager to look into the recycling of newspaper for the township. Delaware County has asked the residents to pick up the tab for Delaware County Solid Waste which will be approximately \$43 extra per household for next year. If we can get the Township started on recycling newspaper it might lower our fee.

Mr. Schreiber said that he contacted several Townships that recycle papers, and I expect some written documentation this week.

Sanitation and Airport: J. Wunder, Chairman:

Mr. Wunder reported:

Sanitation Report - August, 2008

Total Gallons Sewage Treated:	17,381,000 gallons
Average flow per day:	560,287 gallons
Total Raw Sludge Processed	223,773 gals.
Total dry solids	54,287 lbs
Total methane gas:	149,355 cu/ft

Total sludge removed 35,000 gallons, Solids 3.61 %
SW Phila. 35,000 gals

Sewer complaints

8/12/08 Utility Line Service repaired broken sewer at 2nd & Taylor, line was broken for a long time.
8/26/08 Rod sewer on Jansen from the middle manhole to 2nd Street, roots & rags

Equipment Repairs:

8/4/08 Installed two new rotating units in pumps at Ramada Inn Station.
8/5/08 Installed emergency light for high water at Ramada Inn Station.

Operational Problems:

8/11/08 Performed DMRQA 28 study for lab as requested by EPA

Plumbing Inspection:

8/6, 12/08 Chickie & Pete, A-West PHL
8/13/08 AVERA International Plaza 1
8/13/08 TSA, Plaza 2
8/19/08 Lagoon underground plumbing in kitchen area
8/22/08 Water main at Lagoon

Miscellaneous items:

8/08 Serviced all police vehicles

Robert J. Bernauer
Superintendent

Airport – Master Plan

Mr. Wunder said that at the School Board Meeting that they held, they were discussing the possibility of moving UPS to the Henderson Property. The lady there was an FAA representative. I asked her if she was aware that the airlines are downsizing. It is not just here; it is all over. There was a 5% reduction from Philadelphia, and that is the least of the major airports. They were reduced the year before also. These people are still going by this Master Plan that was instituted eight or nine years ago. It was all based on a projection that the flights would continue to grow. It is not happening and it is not solely because of the price of gas. Many flights have been eliminated, because they were never profitable to the airlines.

At a recent meeting that we had, the Airport said that the Regional Plan of changing the flight pattern was something to reduce. I said that I didn't believe that. I believe that it is because the flights have been reduced. That is why if there is any change or delays then that is the reason.

The Airport Director said that you have a point. They are not taking a look at that. They are still looking at plans that they instituted years ago. It makes you wonder!

Health: Pat Barr, Chairman

There is no Health Officer's Report or Board of Health Report for this month, because the Health Inspector Alice Doyle has fallen ill. She has been unable to perform her duties. As a result the Township is without a Health Inspector, and our Township Manager has talked to some people who may be able to fill in for us on a temporary basis until Alice is able to resume her duties or resign.

Based on that:

ON A MOTION by Pat Barr, second by Thomas Giancristoforo to hire Mr. James Talbot of Aston Township and Ms. Samantha Fife, R.N. of 545 Jansen Avenue as Alternate Health Inspectors on a temporary basis in the absence of our current Health Officer, Ms. Alice Doyle at the current Health Inspector rate of \$50 per hour by a unanimous roll call vote.

Recreation

We have two teams playing fall baseball in the Briarcliffe Baseball League. They are doing well.

The fall soccer program has had signs ups. The season should start soon. There are four teams in the Junior Division and four teams in the Senior Division. I would like to thank the Highway Department for getting the field ready to go. They did a good job.

Solicitor's Report – Sam S. Auslander, Esq.

Mr. Auslander said that other than the projects that you've heard this evening, the one other item that I have to report is that we have prepared and presented an agreements of sale in accordance with last month's motion on the Tincum Township Swim Club. We are now awaiting the Swim Club's consideration of those agreements. I do not believe that we have heard back yet.

Mr. Giancristoforo said that we are having problems in Tincum Township with people parking their cars on their lawn. I would like to ask the Solicitor to meet with Herbie and Superintendent Fife and find out that if we are not covered by State law or an ordinance, that we prepare one to be adopted next month.

Engineer's Report – James W. MacCombie, P.E.:

Resurfacing

The resurfacing is complete or will be completed shortly.

Grants for Westinghouse Property along the River

We did receive notice that we received a \$50,000 Grant from the Coastal Zone Management Master Plan for the Westinghouse Property along the river. We also have a similar grant application in to DCNR.

Traffic Signal Project

They did add the traffic signal on to it with the caveat that in the bid process, we would get to look at the bid. They will be out to bid within the next month.

Phase I Study for the Property

If we get an agreement of sale for the Swim Club:

ON A MOTION by Dennis Arthur, second by Thomas Giancristoforo to hire E-Phas to perform a study for the property by a unanimous roll call vote.

Manager's Report – September, 2008

- New date for Lazaretto Commemorative Marker dedication from PA Historical and Museum Commission is Saturday, October 25 at 11:00. The Marker was delivered last week and is at the Highway Garage.
- This year's Flu Shots will be on Saturday, November 8, 2008 from 10:00 to 2:00 at the Firehouse. Unlike in previous years where we used the Community Room to provide flu shots to Seniors and Township Employees, this will be a 'drive-through' operation sponsored by the County to what is described as 'high-risk' groups. Typically this includes seniors, young children and those with illnesses that would benefit from a flu vaccine.
- The next FAA meeting regarding the airport's Capacity Enhancement Plan will be held October 22, 2008 at the Tincum School from 6:00 to 9:00. All residents are encouraged to attend.
- Meeting with the Delaware County Solid Waste Authority. Was approximately \$43 year, now may be reduced to \$22.73 in 2009 and \$33.53 in 2010 and thereafter.
- Through Representative Raymond's office, we've applied for a grant for new bleachers at Manor Park.

Secretary's Correspondence

- Thank you letter from a Resident

This was a thank you letter from Ethel Richardson, thanking the Highway Department for the good job that they did on the Manor Field

- Letter from Ladies Auxiliary – Tincum Township Fire Company

ON A MOTION by Thomas Giancristoforo, second by Dennis Arthur to approve the request of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Tinicum Township Fire Company to use the Community Room on Friday, September 19th, 2008 for a Grocery Bingo during the afternoon through the evening hours by a unanimous voice vote.

- Letter from Fox Smith VFW Ladies Auxiliary

ON A MOTION by Joseph Wunder, second by Dennis Arthur to approve the request of the Fox Smith VFW Auxiliary to use the Community Room on Saturday, November 1st, 2008 from 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. for a fundraiser by a unanimous voice vote.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

ADJOURN OF BUSINESS PORTION OF MEETING

ON A MOTION by Thomas Giancristoforo, second by Joseph Wunder to adjourn the business portion of the meeting by a unanimous voice vote.