

**SCIOTA TOWNSHIP BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
Monday, September 10, 2012
7:00pm**

Call to Order @ 7pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Members Present:

Shannon Olson
Renee Otte
Tracie Roberge
Mitch Penny
Randy Volkert

Members Absent:

Others Present:

Wayne & Maureen Roehl
Travis Magee
Paul Zumbusch
Brad Kunz
Bob Hegner
Jerry Rypkema
Krissy McCabe
Kathi Hunter
Betsy

Approval of Minutes: August 13, 2012

Otte makes motion to approve minutes, Volkert seconds. All in favor.

Treasurer's Report: Tracie Roberge

Otte makes a motion to approve treasurer's report and pay bills. Volkert seconds. All in favor.

Building Permits:

Brad Kunz (30086 Ashby Court) Would like to get a permit to build a deck around part of his above ground pool. The deck will be 20'x10' and 36" high. Kunz had questioned the permit amount and Bob Hegner explained that the charge is \$11.50 per square foot for a deck. *There was no further discussion. Otte makes a motion to approve the building permit for Brad Kunz. Volkert seconds. All in favor.*

Other Business:

- Paul Zumbusch and Jerry Rypkema were present to discuss plans for Castle Rock Materials. Otte inquired about what has transpired over the past summer. Rypkema commented that their effort to extract limestone has been a learning process. They thought they could pump the water and keep it down with pumping; however it has been very costly with pumping. There have been several big storms and they are convinced that it is not going to work to pump the water into a holding pond. They just purchased a back hoe, which is called an add-a-stick. They are still pumping at this time, but will not pump the water next year. They will pump for another 4-6 weeks and then they will be done. Currently they are down on the bottom and have not been pumping. They may need to pump again if they get another large rainfall to get the water out of the pit. With

this new back hoe they should get to the 40-45' range. The water will be there but they will just dig it out. Paul explained that they are building a road with the material that they are removing. Volkert inquired about why they are not dredging. Rypkema explained the process and why they are not going that route.

- Wayne Roehl (letter was sent to the Roehl's asking them to attend the September Board Meeting to discuss possible township ordinance violations). Wayne & Maureen Roehl along with Travis Magee were present at the Board Meeting. There have been complaints that Wayne Roehl has been scrapping metal. Wayne stated that he has a car trailer with scrap metal on it. Wayne had a letter from the county stating dates that his property was inspected. Renee Otte read the refuse ordinance 518. Volkert explained that we do not allow the scrapping of metal, nor does the township allow any type of commercial activity. Roehl stated that the last time he was here he was told that the scrap just needed to be contained. Otte inquired about where Wayne is getting the scrap. Wayne stated that he gets some of it from work and from other random places. He is hauling this to the scrap yard. Randy stated that he would like to table this until the board can get additional information, and asked if he could visit the property. Wayne stated that this was ok. Hegner stated that he was out at the property to talk to the Roehls about the stove that they are putting in and he recalls that this was part of their original building permit. He will be installing water lines under the foundation and a boiler will be installed in the shed. Another neighbor (Betsy) was present to state that she does not have any problems with the Roehl's or their property. Roehl was present to also talk about the flood lights that Bernie Hollinger has on his property that are shining directly onto their property all night long. They brought in pictures showing the glare on the house and how it illuminates their entire yard. Kathi Hunter stated that she can see the lights on at 4:30am when she goes to work and that everything is completely lit up. Otte inquired about why he may be doing this to them, and Maureen Roehl stated that Hollinger has been doing this since they moved in in May. Volkert explained that we have specific ordinances in place, but we do not handle disputes between neighbors. The board members will meet to visit the Roehl property regarding the scrap material.
- Update on Meeting with FEMA. FEMA is waiting to get additional information from Bryce Otte and will then update us on our refund.
- Complaints about truck drivers using engine brakes on County Rd 47. The board addressed this with Castle Rock Materials and they will mention this to their drivers. Volkert will contact someone from the county about signage.
- Compliance letter from MPCA for septic at 30205 Cannon River Blvd. Septic system is in compliance.
- 2013 Final levy Certification. Approved at the annual meeting for \$110,000.00 with minimum amount to go into the Road and Bridge Account.
- Certificate of Liability Insurance for Bob Hegner.

Communications Received:

- Cannon River Watershed Partnership Newsletter
- Cheryle Peters from Stanton Township (regarding Otte's inadvertently grading Stanton Twp roads & will need to have chloride reapplied).

Public Comment

Penny gave the board an update on the legal seminar meeting he attended on September 8th. One of the items covered was that we would not have had to post a 10 day notice to conduct an emergency meeting (i.e., checking roads after floods). The board and clerk can get together to meet; the information should be presented at the following meeting and then added to the minutes.

9:00pm: Penny makes a motion to Recess the Board Meeting until Thursday, September 13, 2012 @ 1:30pm, Otte seconds. All in favor.