CHESTNUTHILL TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS ROUTE 715, BRODHEADSVILLE, PA 18322 MINUTES OF MEETING – JULY 24, 2001

A regular meeting of the Chestnuthill Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 8:40 p.m. on Tuesday, July 24, 2001, at the Municipal Building, Route 715, Brodheadsville, Pa. Those present were Chuck Gould, (Chairman), Mike Possinger, Dave Johnson and Atty. Joseph P. McDonald, Jr.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Julia Cattaneo.

Public Comment.

Ray Krawczyk. The burning barrels are getting out of hand, neighbors are burning trash. Chuck suggested filling out a complaint form with the Zoning Officer and she will handle this matter.

Minutes. On motion made by Mike, seconded by Dave it was voted to approve the minutes of the July 3, 2001 meeting with the correction on page 2 under the heading EIT 2nd line should read: approve of adding up to .05% to the earned income tax. (3-0) On motion made by Dave, seconded by Mike it was voted to approve the July 13, 2001 minutes as distributed. (3-0)

Correspondence.

Park. A letter was received by Amanda Altemose 11 ½ years old asking questions about the tree cutting in the park.

A brief discussion ensued about the park. Mr. Thane Flores owner of Budget Tree Service was in the audience and explained some of the problems. There are hazardous trees and they are dying from damage occurring from cutting in the walking paths, since there was no maintenance done to them. After the last rain and wind storm there was quite a bit of damage with trees hanging presenting a very dangerous condition for our residents in the park. Also, the hemlock trees are dying from being diseased, Mr. Flores suggested harvesting the tree cutting to make revenue for other park needs. We are planting new trees after the playground equipment is installed.

<u>Vector Control</u>. Jackie Hakum has sent a letter regarding the gypsy moth spraying. If there are sites you feel need spraying, contact the Township and we will be in contact with Vector Control.

Monroe Waste Management Authority. Is having a meeting on September 11th at the 911 center in Snydersville.

<u>Public Safety Center</u>. A letter was received naming Bruce Henry the new operation center manager.

<u>DEP Dam Inspection Report</u>. The Weir Lake Dam was inspected on May 23, 2001. Periodic inspections are made in order to monitor the constantly changing physical conditions of the dam.

- Monroe County Arts Council. The fifteenth annual craft festival will be held August 25 & 26th.
- Commonwealth of Pa. The Township is approved for the federal surplus program.
- <u>DCED</u>. The Community Revitalization Program for the 2000-2001 fiscal year is in the last round and they regret to inform us that we have not been selected for funding this time.
- PSATS Alert. Has the Governors budget in it, if anyone is interested they can have a copy.
- MC Association of Township & Borough Officials. Is having Government Day on August 17th. The road-crew is invited to attend. Cathy will make the arrangements. On motion made by Mike, seconded by Dave it was voted to send the road-crew and to ask what kind of donation we may make to ensure this day a success. (3-0)
- Master Municipal Clerk Academy. Cathy has requested to attend this seminar in Virginia Beach. On motion made by Dave, seconded by Mike it was voted to support Cathy in her ongoing education by attending this seminar and expenses. (3-0)

Old Business.

MPC Maintenance Inc. Atty. Provoznick was present for this sewage agreement. This agreement is for the flows not to exceed 900 gal a day. If it exceeds that, the owners will be fined \$500. a day. The owner will be responsible to read the flows. The proposed number of students will be no more than 40 at any given time. Paragraph #2 on page 2 the 4th line down remove the word periodic and insert daily. The owner agrees to post a cash bond with the Treasurer for clean up purposes as per paragraph #7. The bond will be released on the 3rd anniversary date. There is also an indemnity clause that the Township does not take any responsibility or liability. Rick said they have met all the necessary requirements. On motion made by Chuck, seconded by Dave it was voted to accept and sign this contract with the above noted changes. (3-0)

Roadmaster – Mr. Weston. Since 7/16 we have been patching potholes and have put down 23.25 tons of material. 48" road crossing culverts have been installed on White Church road. Hanson Aggregates will be moving in within 2 weeks to start the Blacktop project, and Marion Lane is on the list to be paved. Federal Surplus. Mr. Johnson & I were approved for purchasing materials as well as the Fire Department and the Park. The last trip we made 4 purchases for the Fire Department. To date on the purchases made if purchased new would have cost \$105,000.00, our cost was \$6021.00. We have saved the Township approximately \$99,000.00. Salt Shed. Joe has requested authorization to request bids for a salt shed. On motion made by Dave, seconded by Mike it was voted to allow Joe to advertise for a pre cast concrete base and a building on top. (3-0)

New Business.

FOB Material Bids. Two bids were received from Eureka and Tilcon. The prices are as follows:

| <u>a</u> | | Tilcon |
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| 8.40 | 1B | 9.00 |
| 6.25 | 2B | 6.50 |
| 5.90 | #4 | 6.50 |
| 6.00 | #3 | 6.50 |
| none | 1/4" | 10.00 |
| 24.90 | ID2 | 27.00 |
| 38.90 | patch | none |
| none | anti | 10.00 |
| 9.25 | gabion | 7.50 |
| 4.45 | 2RC | 4.50 |
| | 8.40 6.25 5.90 6.00 none 24.90 38.90 none 9.25 | 8.40 6.25 2B 5.90 #4 6.00 #3 none 1/4" 24.90 38.90 patch none 9.25 gabion |

Mike suggested on the dollar items taking Eureka, because we do have the right to reject the bid on mileage and price. On motion made by Mike, seconded by Chuck it was voted to accept Eureka excluding the 1/4" stone and anti skid and cold patch from the bid. (3-0)

<u>Park – Russ Fisher</u>. The playground equipment is coming. I would like to thank Cathy Baker for all she is doing for the park and also thank Dave & Joe. Art in the Park was a successful event. Julia & June would like to sponsor Teen night on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month from 5-9 p.m., starting on Monday, August 6th. If the Township would donate the cups, napkins and copies of all flyers necessary. June & Julia will supply the snacks. On motion made by Dave, seconded by Mike it was voted to allow June & Julia to proceed with their Teen night program. (3-0)

Lot 26, Chestnut Estates, Duke Properties. Mr. Collura was present to request a waiver on the minimum size septic system requirements per the ordinance. This is for a three bedroom single family residence. Rick had asked to show that this system could not go on the lot anywhere else. This has been done and they have met all the DEP regulations. On motion made by Mike, seconded by Chuck it was voted to grant the waiver. (2-1) Dave was opposed.

Olson Planning Module. All the requirements have been met. The Planning Commission has signed off on this. On motion made by Mike, seconded by Dave it was voted to approve and sign this planning module. (3-0)

Bills. On motion made by Dave, seconded by Mike it was voted to pay the bills. (3-0)

Adjournment. There being no further business, on motion made by Dave, seconded by Mike it was voted to adjourn at 10:40 p.m. (3-0)

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy A. Baker

Recording Secretary