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The Coolbaugh Township Board of Supervisors May 6, 2008 Meeting was held in the Township Municipal Center, in building #3, at 5550 Memorial Boulevard, Tobyhanna, Pennsylvania.

Public Hearing - Proposed Amendment to Coolbaugh Township Code of Ordinances #97, Chapter 27, Zoning - re: request made by Kamal Ebeid for a change in the Official Zoning Map currently listed as Industrial (I) Zone to Office Park (C-2) Zone

On May 6, 2008 a Public Hearing was held at 6:00 p.m. at the Coolbaugh Township Municipal Center, in building #3, at 5550 Memorial Boulevard, Tobyhanna, Pennsylvania to consider public comment on a request made by Kamal Ebeid for a change in the Township's Official Zoning Map currently listed as Industrial (I) to Office Park (C-2).

Call To Order

Mr. O'Boyle called the meeting to order at approximately 7:00 p.m. and led those in attendance in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call

Supervisors present for the meeting include: Mr. Joseph O'Boyle, Ms. Lynn Kelly, Mr. James H. Frutchey, Jr., Mr. Robert B. Hutchins and Mr. Robert M. Zito. . Also in attendance were Township Solicitor Jerry Hanna and Township Secretary Linda Frutchey.

Statement on the Agenda: Mr. O'Boyle announced that the Public will be given an opportunity to speak on each agenda matter. Public Input is considered at the end of the meeting for other issues. He also asked that cell phones be turned off during the meeting.

Approval of April 15, 2008 Meeting Minutes

Ms. Kelly moved to approve the April 15, 2008 Meeting Minutes as presented and

dispense with the reading. Seconded by Mr. Zito. Discussion - none. The motion carried 4-0-1 (Mr. Hutchins abstained, as he was not present at the meeting).

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Presentation of Award to Angela Misuraca for receiving the Girl Scout Gold Award

Angela Misuraca was present to be recognized publicly and to receive a Letter of Commendation from the Board of Supervisors for receiving the Girl Scout Gold Award. Mr. O'Boyle read the letter signed by the Board members, which outlined the community service project she completed. The Supervisors and audience applauded Angela for her achievements.

Proposed Amendment to Coolbaugh Township Code of Ordinances #97, Chapter 27, Zoning - re: request made by Kamal Ebeid for a change in Zoning District from Industrial (I) Zone to Office Park - (C-2) Zone

Mr. O'Boyle announced that a Public Hearing was held at 6:00 p.m. this evening regarding the above referenced request for a zone change.

Mr. Zito moved to approved the proposed amendment to Coolbaugh Township Code of Ordinances #97, Chapter 27, Zoning - re: request made by Kamal Ebeid for a change in Zoning District from Industrial (I) Zone to Office Park - (C-2) Zone. Seconded by Ms. Kelly. Discussion followed in which the Board members commented that they were pleased with the church's comprehensive presentation of their proposed project. The motion passed 5-0.

Pocono Community Church - request for waiver of Zoning Permit fee

No one was present on behalf of the request referenced above.

Mr. O'Boyle summarized a letter from Pastor Kevin Weaver asking the Board to approve a waiver of the Zoning Permit fee for the Pocono Community Church, a non-profit organization.

Mr. Zito moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Zoning Permit fee for the Pocono Community Church. Seconded by Mr. Frutchey. The motion carried 4-1-0 (Mr. Hutchins opposed).

Request by HRG to sign the Stillwater Act 537 Special Study Documents

Jamie Keener of HRG, Inc. was present on behalf of the above referenced request. A lengthy discussion followed with the Board considering input from Mr. Keener and an

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emailed recommendation from Dave Kavitski of BCM Engineers, etc. and the possibility of holding an informal meeting with HRG, Mr. Kavitski, Chuck Leonard of PMEDC, Supervisors and representatives from Mount Pocono Borough to make sure everyone was on the same page with all of this information. Further discussion followed.

Mr. Frutchey moved to table signing the Stillwater Act 537 documents until sometime after next Thursday, but prior to the Board's regular meeting on May 20, 2008, in order to hold an informal meeting with representatives from HRG, Dave Kavitski, Chuck Leonard, Board members and representatives from Mount Pocono Borough. Seconded by Mr. Hutchins. Discussion followed about the time line, impact on Stillwater citizens, sewer issues, and the number of Supervisors wanting to attend the meeting and the need to advertise the meeting if more than two Supervisors attend the meeting, etc. Mr. Frutchey added advertising the meeting to the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

Pocono Community Church

The Board acknowledged the arrival of Pastor David Crosby of the Pocono Community Church, who apologized for being late, due to coming in from New Jersey. He was informed that the Supervisors approved waiving the Zoning Permit fee per the church's request.

1990 Agreement between Pocono Mountain School District and Coolbaugh Township - estimated school share for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade

Discussion followed regarding a Memo dated May 1, 2008 from Dave Kavitski of BCM Engineers regarding the 33% estimated school share of \$661,434.51 for the upgrade of the Wastewater Treatment Plant per the 1990 Agreement between the Township and the PMSD and whether the payment should come in a lump sum, monthly, etc.

Mr. Frutchey moved to forward the estimated school share for the WWTP upgrade to the school district. Seconded by Mr. Hutchins. Discussion - the Board said they preferred monthly payments to a lump sum, as it might have an impact on the Loans\Grants, etc. Solicitor Hanna advised the Board that it is clear in the agreement what the school district must pay and how they are going to pay it. The Township Secretary was directed to send a letter to the PMSD regarding the possibility of a monthly payment plan. The motion passed 5-0.

Intergovernmental Cooperative Implementation Agreement - Coolbaugh, Tobyhanna, Tunkhannock Townships and Borough of Mount Pocono

Mr. Hutchins moved to approve the Intergovernmental Cooperative Implementation Agreement with Coolbaugh, Tobyhanna, Tunkhannock Townships and Borough of Mount

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Pocono. Seconded by Mr. Frutchey. Discussion followed. Public comment was heard from Jamie Keener. The motion carried 5-0.

Appointment to Parks and Recreation Commission for a term ending on December 31, 2008

Mr. O'Boyle read the names of individuals interested in serving on the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Ms. Kelly made a motion to appoint Keith Hudson to the Parks & Recreation Commission for a term ending December 31, 2008. Seconded by Mr. Hutchins. Discussion - none. The motion carried 5-0.

Coolbaugh Township Volunteer Fire Co. - request to use pavilion and picnic area at Township Park and waive the fee

Mr. Hutchins moved to approve the Coolbaugh Township Volunteer Fire Company's request to use the pavilion and picnic area at the Township Park and waive the fee, as per the normal conditions for this type of request. Seconded by Ms. Kelly. Discussion - none. The motion passed 5-0.

Monsignor McHugh Booster Club - request to use a pavilion at Township Park and waive the fee

Mr. Zito made a motion to approve the Monsignor McHugh Booster Club's request to use a pavilion at the Township Park and waive the fee, as per the normal conditions for this type of request. Seconded by Mr. Hutchins. Discussion - none. The motion passed 5-0.

Coolbaugh Elementary and Learning Centers - request to use facilities at Township park and the waive fee

Ms. Kelly moved to approve the Coolbaugh Elementary and Learning Centers' request to use facilities at Township park and the waive fee, as per normal conditions for this type of request. Seconded by Mr. Frutchey. Discussion - none. The motion carried 5-0.

Authorization to advertise a joint Bid with Coolbaugh, Tobyhanna, Tunkhannock Townships and Mount Pocono Borough for the 2008 Line Painting project

Mr. Hutchins moved to authorize the advertisement for a joint Bid with Coolbaugh, Tobyhanna, Tunkhannock Townships and Mount Pocono Borough for the 2008 Line Painting project. Seconded by Mr. Frutchey. Discussion - Mr. Hutchins requested that the

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Bid Specifications include a clause to require the line painting project to be completed before August 25, 2008. The motion carried 5-0.

Agreement between Coolbaugh Township and Pennsylvania American Water Company for the installation of two fire hydrants to be located at: Intersection of Hunter Drive and Wildflower Drive and Intersection of Pocono Corporate Drive East and State Route 611

Mr. Frutchey made a motion to approve the Agreement between Coolbaugh Township and Pennsylvania American Water Company for the installation of two fire hydrants to be located at: Intersection of Hunter Drive and Wildflower Drive and Intersection of Pocono Corporate Drive East and State Route 611. Seconded by Ms. Kelly. Discussion - none. The motion passed 5-0.

Authorization to award the 2008 Paving Bid

The Township's 2008 Paving Bid was advertised in the *Pocono Record* on Saturday, April 19 and Wednesday, April 23, 2008 with a bid opening on Tuesday, May 6, 2008.

Mr. O'Boyle read off the following bids which were received by the Township: Slusser Brothers in the amount of \$374,612.00; Hanson Aggregates Pennsylvania, Inc. in the amount \$347,667.55; Locust Ridge in the amount of \$344,089.10; Leeward Construction in the amount of \$349,256.00.

Mr. Frutchey moved to award the bid for the 2008 Paving project to Locust Ridge in the in the amount of \$344,089.10. Seconded by Mr. Hutchins. A brief discussion followed about the number of miles and the amount in the budget for the project. The motion carried 5-0.

Authorization to go out to Bid - On-Lot Sewage Disposal System

Mr. Frutchey moved to authorize the Township Secretary to advertise the Bid for an On-Lot Sewage Disposal System and to issue a Purchase Order to Dave Kavitski of BCM Engineers for drawing up the bid specifications. Seconded by Mr. Hutchins. Discussion - none. The motion passed 5-0.

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Current Obligations

General Fund	\$ 670,968.49
Escrow Account Fund	\$ 3,935.62
Sewer System Fund	\$ 249,202.70
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	Total Disbursements
	\$ 924,106.81

Mr. Zito moved to pay the Current Obligations in the amount of \$924,106.81. Seconded by Mr. O'Boyle. Discussion - Mr. Hutchins said he would not be voting on the Current Obligations due to a check to Pocono Area Abstract in the amount of \$59,648.39 for the library. The motion carried 4-0-1 (Mr. Hutchins opposed).

Other Business

Mr. Hutchins - explained that payments due to the Pocono Mountain Regional Police Department (PMRPD) will equal \$1,009,365.14 by November 2008. He proposed considering sending monthly payments instead of a lump sum, after which he moved to divide the \$1,009,365.14 amount into seven (7) monthly payments of \$144,195.02 for the rest of the year beginning on June 1st. Seconded by Mr. O'Boyle. Discussion followed about the impact on the PMRPD. The motion passed 4-1-0 (Mr. Zito opposed).

Mr. Hutchins - also brought up the subject of the library's referendum on the Primary Election ballot, emphasizing that over \$146,000.00 in extra funds will come from Coolbaugh Township taxpayers for the library in addition to the revenues from the extra mill and it not being fair to our taxpayers, etc. He went on to say that he cannot support the library as he believes they should rethink their land purchase decision.

Public Input

Veronica Hettler - expressed her misgivings about the library tax, along the lines of Mr. Hutchins's comments.

Harry Smith - asked how many people from Coolbaugh Township and Mount Pocono Borough serve on the Library Board. Ms. Kelly said five from Coolbaugh and four from Mt. Pocono. Mr. Smith suggested changing the number of representatives to reflect the vote.

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Dave Pope - asked when the Main Street Bridge be repaired and were they going to reduce the weight limits. Mr. O'Boyle said the bridge was supposed to be fixed in about four to six weeks and he did not know about the weight limits.

Fred Berg - commented on the library referendum, pointing out that it was presented in a confusing manner, and he believed, as a voter, that it was supposed to be a combined count. He also asked when the Township was going to start collecting oil at the recycling site. Mr. Frutchey responded that they are looking into it and must go by State guidelines.

Board of Supervisors Executive Sessions

Mr. O'Boyle announced that the Board of Supervisors held an Executive Session on Tuesday, April 27, 2008 at 5:30 p.m. re: Personnel and another will follow this evening's meeting, Tuesday, May 6, 2008, re: Personnel.

Adjournment

With no further business before the Board, Mr. Frutchey moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Hutchins. Discussion - none. The motion carried 5-0. The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Linda Frutchey
Township Secretary

Joseph O'Boyle
Board Chairman