

**Middlesex Township Board of Supervisors
Minutes of Regular Meeting
December 21, 2011**

Board of Supervisors:

**Mike Spreng
Donald Marshall
James (Hap) Evans**

Staff Present:

**Scot E. Fodi, Township Manager
Bonnie R. Chappel, Assistant to the Manager
John Rusnak, Township-Appointed Engineer
Michael Hnath, Township Solicitor**

Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Middlesex Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 6:32 p.m. by Chairman Mike Spreng.

Pledge of Allegiance / Moment of Silence

Chairman Spreng led the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a Moment of Silence for our citizens currently serving in the Armed Services.

Roll Call showed all Supervisors present for the meeting.

Public Comment – Items on the Agenda

Eric Schmidt of 112 Pine Ridge Acres spoke regarding the setback of the cul-de-sac in the proposed PRD of Blackberry Estates.

Public Hearings

There are no public hearings at this time.

Reports

The following reports were reviewed by the Board of Supervisors:

- a. Treasurer's Report for November, 2011
- b. Community Development Construction Permit Report for November, 2011
- c. Real Estate Tax Collector's Report 2011-21 and August Interims
- d. Non-Uniform and Uniform Pension Plan Monthly Reports for November, 2011

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- e. Middlesex Police Department Activity Report for November, 2011

On a motion of Evans; seconded by Marshall. The Board of Supervisors voted to accept the reports listed above as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes

On a motion of Evans; seconded by Marshall. The Board of Supervisors approved the Regular Minutes from the November 23rd, 2011 Board of Supervisorø meeting. Scot to note correction of the date of the meeting from November 16th to November 23rd. Motion carried unanimously.

Warrant List

On a motion of Marshall, seconded by Evans; the Board of Supervisors approved the **Warrant List #12-01-2011** as submitted. Discussion regarding the Warrant List #12-01-2011. Roll Call vote ó Hap Evans ó Yes; Don Marshall ó Yes; Mike Spreng ó Yes.

Correspondence

No Agenda item at this time.

Administration

a. 2012 Tax Rates.

On a motion of Evans, seconded by Marshall; the Board of Supervisors approved *Resolution #22 of 2011*, setting forth the tax rates for the 2012 calendar year. Roll Call vote ó Hap Evans ó Yes; Don Marshall ó Yes; Mike Spreng ó Yes.

b. 2012 Final Budget.

On a motion of Marshall, seconded by Evans; the Board of Supervisors approved *Resolution #23 of 2011*, appropriating specific sums estimated to be required for the specific purposes of the municipal government for the 2012 calendar year. Roll Call vote ó Hap Evans ó Yes; Don Marshall ó Yes; Mike Spreng ó Yes.

c. Butler County Council of Governments/BCTCC (EIT Collections).

- i. On a motion of Evans, seconded by Marshall; the Board of Supervisors approved *Resolution #24 of 2011*, appointing Scot E. Fodi, Township Manager the designated confidential liaison to Berkheimer, 2012 appointed collector of Act 511 Taxes. Roll Call vote ó Hap Evans ó Yes; Don Marshall ó Yes; Mike Spreng ó Yes.

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- ii. On a motion of Evans, seconded by Marshall; the Board of Supervisors approved *Resolution #25 of 2011*, establishing certain fees to retain the costs of collecting delinquent Act 511 Taxes. Roll Call vote ó Hap Evans ó Yes; Don Marshall ó Yes; Mike Spreng ó Yes.

d. 2012 Calendar.

On a motion of Marshall, seconded by Evans; the Board of Supervisors approved the establishment of the 2012 calendar establishing meeting dates for Board of Supervisors, Zoning Hearing Board (as needed) and Planning Commission. This motion also authorized the Township Manger to advertise these dates in the legal notices. Motion carried unanimously.

Community Development

a. SD #2011-13: Nagel Lot Consolidation Plan.

Preliminary and Final Subdivision approval for a Lot Consolidation Plan of 6.00 acres to combine Parcels 230-2F92-10 and 230-2F92-10A, with frontage Mekis Road located in the AG-A Zoning District, (Rural Residential Zoning District).

On a motion by Evans; seconded by Marshall. The Board of Supervisors approved *Resolution #26 of 2011* granting Preliminary and Final Approval to the Nagel Lot Consolidation Plan. Motion carried unanimously.

b. SD #2011-14: Knox Lot Line Revision.

Preliminary and Final Subdivision approval for lot line revision and subdivision of Parcel 230-S8-F2A and 230-2F90-44B, located in the R-1 Zoning District, with frontage along Buckingham Drive.

On a motion by Marshall; seconded by Evans. The Board of Supervisors approved *Resolution #27 of 2011* granting both Preliminary and Final Approval to the Knox-Newcomer Lot Line Revision. Motion carried unanimously.

c. **PRD #2011-01 Final P.R.D. Blackberry Estates (TLD 1-6-2012 to render Board of Supervisors Decision).**

Final Planned Residential Development application for a sixty-nine (69) lot Single Family Residential development located along Denny Road on approximately 42 acres in the AG-A zoning district.

On a motion by Evans; seconded by Marshall. The Board of Supervisors voted to table the Final Land Development Plan for further discussion. Motion carried unanimously.

Zoning Hearing Board

No agenda item at this time.

Public Works

Public Sewage Update ó Nothing new to report. Discussion was held to investigate the appointment of a new township representative to the Saxonburg Area Authority.

Road Department Update ó Chairman Spreng noted that we have taken delivery on a substantial quantity of Road Salt and we are ready in case of snow.

Public Safety

a. **Amendment to Police Operations Manual.**

On a motion by Evans; seconded by Marshall. The Board of Supervisors approved the *Resolution #28 of 2011* approving amendments to the Middlesex Township Police Department Operations Manual. Motion carried unanimously.

b. **Sale of Fixed Asset (Police Vehicle).**

On a motion by Marshall; seconded by Evans. The Board of Supervisors approved the sale of the 2003 Ford Crown Victoria Sedan for \$2,007 (Two thousand seven dollars) from Sully Motors. Motion carried unanimously.

Culture, Parks & Recreation

Announcement of two proposed planned bus tours (Lenzner Tours). First tour scheduled for May 12, 2012 ó Americanø Heroes Tour (Flight 93 Memorial). Second tour scheduled for October 13, 2012 ó I Loathe Lucy Murder Mystery/Dinner (Ligonier, PA).

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Township Solicitor

No agenda item at this time.

Township Engineer

Monthly report submitted for Board's review.

Public Comments – Non Agenda Items (General Comments)

Andy Lutzig of 111 Twinbrook Road questioned Township right to restrict Marcellus Shale drilling and also questioned the Road Bonding procedures also pertaining to Marcellus Shale drilling.

Adjournment

On a motion by Marshall, seconded by Evans; the Board of Supervisors adjourned at 8:25 p.m.
Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by:

Bonnie R. Chappel
Assistant to Township Manager