

**TOWNSHIP OF ROSTRAVER**

**Minutes of the Monthly Meeting**

**February 3, 2010**

Chairman Martin called the regular monthly meeting of the Rostraver Township Board of Commissioners to order on this date at 6:00 p.m. in the Rostraver Township Municipal Building

Members present were:

Andrew S. Temoshenka	Brian L. Sokol
Patrick G. Egros	George A. Martin

Commissioner Lorenzo was not present because he is in the hospital.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Martin, audience participating.

Attorney Maatta, Engineer DeiCas, and Secretary Beard were also present.

Andrew S. Temoshenka moved to amend the Monthly Meeting of January 4, 2010 to award the Octane and Diesel as bid for 2010 to Glassmere Fuel Service, Inc. instead of Zappi Oil. There being no other additions or corrections to the minutes of the Reorganization Meeting of January 4, 2010; Monthly Meeting of January 4, 2010; Special Meeting of December 29, 2009; and Work Session of December 7, 2009 and December 29, 2009 they stand approved as read. Brian L. Sokol seconded the motion. The following yeas and nays were recorded:

Andrew S. Temoshenka – yea	Brian L. Sokol – yea
Patrick G. Egros – yea	George A. Martin – yea

Total yeas – 4; nays – 0

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Chairman of Public Safety, Andrew S. Temoshenka, reported for the month of January, 2010. Criminal Arrests 31, YTD 31; Non-Traffic Citations 18, YTD 18; Traffic Citations 131, YTD 131; Parking Tags 26, YTD 26; Written Warnings 28, YTD 28; Total Number of Incidents 826, YTD 826; Total Number of Miles Driven 16,581, YTD 16,581. Commissioner Temoshenka said three (3) bids were received for safety equipment (vests) for the Police Officers and the

lowest bid will be accepted. Commissioner Temoshenka said Officer Richard Taylor has completed his probation period and is recommended that he be appointed to permanent status.

Chairman of Parks and Recreation, Brian L. Sokol, reported for the month of January, 2010. Commissioner Sokol said registration has started for baseball, softball and soccer and if anyone has missed registration call the recreation department.

Chairman of Roads, Streets and Equipment, George A. Martin, reported for the month of January, 2010. Chairman Martin said for the month of January, 1,100 tons of salt was used. Chairman Martin said the cost of the salt for January was \$17,058.67. Chairman Martin said the Road Department was called out 11 times for a total of 409 hours for 13 men and the cost of man hours for overtime for the month of January was \$12,804.68. Chairman Martin said the Road Department has done an excellent job at keeping the roads clean. Chairman Martin said as the weather permitted the Road Department has done some cold patching. Chairman Martin said with the Route 201 closing it has created some problems on Weddell and Moore Road. Chairman Martin said PennDOT has been contacted to put more detour signs up.

Chairman of Health and Welfare, Nick Lorenzo, was not present. Chairman Martin reported for the month of January. Chairman Martin said Commissioner Lorenzo had a double lung transplant and is in Presbyterian Hospital and is doing well. Chairman Martin gave a sewage update report.

Chairman of Budget and Finance, Patrick G. Egros, reported for the month of January, 2010. Assets: \$650,876.29. Revenues & Other Financing Sources: \$749,129.19. Expenditures: \$263,296.20. Debt Principal & Interest Payable: \$857,488.00. Police Pension Fund Assets: \$3,851,274.65.

Chairman Martin said the Township is in the process of getting the audit done.

Township Engineer, Carl DeiCas, reported for the month of January, 2010. Eleven (11) permits were issued for the month of January. One (1) gas well, one (1) garage addition (reissue), one (1) house addition, one (1) swimming pool, one (1) grading, three (3) signs, three (3) zonings. Total construction value for the month of January, 2010 - \$342,720.00. Total construction value for the year 2010 - \$342,720.00.

Attorney Maatta reported for the month of January, 2010. Attorney Maatta said he performed routine business. Attorney Maatta said he was busy with personnel issues. Attorney Maatta said he was involved with planning and code issues. Attorney Maatta said he will be deliberating the cable TV franchise in February.

**CITIZENS WANTING TO DISCUSS AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:**

Brian L. Sokol moved to hear from citizens at this time. Patrick G. Egros seconded the motion. The following yeas and nays votes were recorded:

Andrew S. Temoshenka – yea	Brian L. Sokol – yea
Patrick G. Egros – yea	George A. Martin - yea

Total yeas – 4; nays – 0

Don Bottman wanted to know what item K under “New Business” was about.

**PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES:**

**RESOLUTION NO. 872**, introduced by George A. Martin, is a Resolution to Destroy Specific Records in Accordance with Resolution 626 Adopted July 5, 2001, was given a reading by Solicitor Maatta.

Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of Rostraver Township, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania destroying Specific Records in accordance with Resolution 626 Adopted July 5, 2001 Authorizing Records Management.

Destruction of Specific Records by the Township of Rostraver in accordance with Act 428 of 1968 and in accordance with the Municipal Records Manual of July 16, 1993 is listed as follows:

1	2001 - 2002	General Funds, Special Funds, and Expenditures
2	2005 – 2006	Employee Time Cards
3.	2004 – 2005	Payroll Transmittal Sheets
	1973 - 2005	Police Payroll Transmittal Sheets
4.	2006 – 2007	Certificates of Insurance
5.	2005 – 2006	Municipal Certifications
6.	2007 – 2008	Road Reports
7.	2001 – 2002	Bank Statements and Cancelled Checks
8.	2006 – 2007	Solicitors, Garbage Hauling, Mechanical Devices, and Related Applications
9	2006 – 2007	Junk Yard and Mobile Home Permits and Related Applications
10	2005 – 2006	Paid Receipts
11.	1961 – 1965	Routine Correspondence of <u>no</u> Administrative value
	2007 – 2008	Routine Correspondence of <u>no</u> Administrative value

12.	2001 – 2002	Invoices (Donora Monessen Bridge Lights, BVA Crossing Guard, RT Platform Scales Usage, and Road Department Guard Rails)
13.	2005 - 2006	Delinquent garbage receipts
14.	2002 – 2003	Insurance Policies
15.	2006- 2007	Duplicate Tax Assessment Records
16.	1960	Contracts, Bonds, Agreements
	2003 -2004	Contracts, Bonds, Agreements
17.	2003 – 2004	Road Supply Contracts
18.	2004 - 2005	Garbage Hauler Records
19.	2004 – 2005	Recreation Budget
20.	2003 – 2004	Recycling Program Records
21.	2003 - 2004	Township Per Capita Paid Report
22.	1999 – 2004	Grass Cutting Contracts
23.	Up to 2004	Audio Cassettes
24.	1977	Litigation Case File John R. Fagan vs. Rostraver Township
25.	1973 – 1995	Police Traffic & Non-Traffic Citation Logs with dispositions
26.	2000 – 2005	Police Non-Traffic Citations
	2005	Police Traffic Citations

Brian L. Sokol moved Resolution No. 872 be adopted as read. Patrick G Egros seconded the motion. The following yea and nay votes were recorded:

Andrew S. Temoshenka – yea	Brian L. Sokol – yea
Patrick G. Egros – yea	George A. Martin – yea

Total yeas – 4; nays – 0

**RESOLVED** this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of February, 2010 Board of Commissioners. Township of Rostraver.  
**BY:** George A. Martin, President. **ATTEST:** Pamela S. Beard, Secretary

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Patrick G. Egros moved to approve Change Order No. 1 for a Date of Completion extension to April 24, 2010 for the Scholl Lane Bridge Replacement. Andrew S. Temoshenka seconded the motion. The following yea and nay votes were recorded:

Andrew S. Temoshenka – yea	Brian L. Sokol – yea
Patrick G. Egros – yea	George A. Martin – yea

Total yeas – 4; nays – 0

Andrew S. Temoshenka moved to pay Estimate No. 1 to Donegal Construction Corporation in the amount of \$18,841.50 to Donegal Construction for the Scholl Lane Bridge Replacement. Brian L. Sokol seconded the motion. The following yeas and nays were recorded:

Andrew S. Temoshenka – yea	Brian L. Sokol – yea
Patrick G. Egros – yea	George A. Martin – yea

Total yeas – 4; nays – 0

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Patrick G. Egros moved all bids presented be approved/ratified for payment. Andrew S. Temoshenka seconded the motion. The following yeas and nays were recorded:

Andrew S. Temoshenka – yea	Brian L. Sokol – yea
Patrick G. Egros – yea	George A. Martin – yea

Total yeas – 4; nays – 0

Andrew S. Temoshenka moved that Officer Richard S. Taylor having successfully served his probationary period be recommended for permanent appointment with the Rostraver Township Police Department as per letter dated January 7, 2010 from Chief Resetar in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the Civil Service Commission, Section 5.5 Probationary Period. Officer Taylor's probationary period will expire February 5, 2010. Patrick G. Egros seconded the motion. The following yeas and nays were recorded:

Andrew S. Temoshenka – yea	Brian L. Sokol – yea
Patrick G. Egros – yea	George A. Martin – yea

Total yeas – 4; nays – 0

Andrew S. Temoshenka moved Secretary to advertise ordinances for Township Acceptance and Speed, Stop, and Weight Limits for Renaissance Heights and Willow Links roads. Patrick G. Egros seconded the motion. The following yeas and nays were recorded:

Andrew S. Temoshenka – yea	Brian L. Sokol – yea
Patrick G. Egros – yea	George A. Martin – yea

Total yeas – 4; nays – 0

Brian L. Sokol moved Secretary to advertise ordinance authorizing execution of a cable franchise agreement between the Township and Comcast. Patrick G. Egros seconded the motion. The following yeas and nays were recorded:

Andrew S. Temoshenka – yea	Brian L. Sokol – yea
Patrick G. Egros – yea	George A. Martin – yea

Total yeas – 4; nays – 0

Brian L. Sokol moved Secretary to advertise the sale of 2001 Western snow plow with a \$1200 minimum bid. Patrick G. Egros seconded the motion. The following yeas and nays were recorded:

Andrew S. Temoshenka – yea	Brian L. Sokol – yea
Patrick G. Egros – yea	George A. Martin – yea

Total yeas – 4; nays – 0

Andrew S. Temoshenka moved to approve payment in the amount of \$9,000.00 to Elaine Phillips, Treasurer – Tax Collector for billing and collection of 2010 solid waste. Brian L. Sokol seconded the motion. The following yeas and nays were recorded:

Andrew S. Temoshenka – yea	Brian L. Sokol – yea
Patrick G. Egros – yea	George A. Martin – yea

Total yeas – 4; nays – 0

Patrick G. Egros moved Planner Spedalieri to speak at the “Westmoreland Conservation District’s annual Engineers’ Conference” on Thursday and Friday, March 4 and 5, 2010. Brian L. Sokol seconded the motion. The following yeas and nays were recorded:

Andrew S. Temoshenka – yea	Brian L. Sokol – yea
Patrick G. Egros – yea	George A. Martin – yea

Total yeas – 4; nays – 0

Andrew S. Temoshenka moved to accept the resignation of Thomas G. Patterson, Jr. from the Agricultural Security Area Advisory Committee effective February 2, 2010. Brian L. Sokol seconded the motion. The following yeas and nays were recorded:

Andrew S. Temoshenka – yea	Brian L. Sokol – yea
Patrick G. Egros – yea	George A. Martin – yea

Total yeas – 4; nays – 0

Chairman Martin said there is a vacancy due to the death of Gerald Smith. Chairman Martin said he will be greatly missed and he was a great asset to the Sewage Authority.

Chairman Martin requested nominations for position to serve on the Rostraver Township Sewage Authority Board due to a vacancy with term to expire on December 31, 2014

Commissioner Egros nominated Craig Kuskie with no second motion  
Commissioner Sokol nominated Thomas G. Patterson, Jr.

Hearing no further names, the position on the Sewage Board is closed

Brian L. Sokol moved to name Thomas G. Patterson, Jr. as a member of the Rostraver Township Sewage Authority with term to expire December 31, 2014. Andrew S. Temoshenka seconded the motion. The following yeas and nay votes were recorded:

Andrew S. Temoshenka – yea	Brian L. Sokol – yea
Patrick G. Egros – nay	George A. Martin – yea

Total yeas – 3; nays – 1

Patrick G. Egros moved to approve an annual wage increase for secretary Mary Sue Colborn in the amount of \$250.00, from \$26,557.51 to \$26,807.51. The \$250.00 will increase General Fund line item #“Salary Secretary 2” 01.405.1411 from \$28,358.00 to \$28,608.00, line item #“FICA-Administration” 01.405.1500 from \$11,307.00 to \$11,326.00, and line item #“Pension-Administration” 01.405.1510 from \$8,688.00 to \$8,703.00. A total increase of \$284.00. Andrew S. Temoshenka seconded the motion. The following yeas and nay votes were recorded:

Andrew S. Temoshenka – yea	Brian L. Sokol – yea
Patrick G. Egros – nay	George A. Martin – yea

Total yeas – 4; nays – 0

Patrick G. Egros moved to approve increases in the following General Fund line item #'s for the month of February 2010: “Employee Wages” 01.430.1400 from \$495,491.00 to \$498,312.00, “FICA-Road Department” 01.430.1500 from \$48,016.00 to \$48,232.00. “Pension-Road Department” 01.430.1510 from \$37,660.00 to \$37,829.00 and “Health & Life-Road Department” 01.430.1530 from \$274,760.00 to \$276,559.00. These increases are understood to be a month to month decision by Board of Commissioners as it relates to the fiscal health of the Township on a month to month basis. The total increase is \$5,005.00. Brian L. Sokol seconded the motion. The following yeas and nay votes were recorded:

Andrew S. Temoshenka – yea  
Patrick G. Egros – yea

Brian L. Sokol – yea  
George A. Martin – yea

Total yeas – 4; nays - 0

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Distributed at work sessions, reviewed and filed for reference.

**CITIZENS TO BE HEARD:**

Andrew S. Temoshenka moved to hear from citizens in attendance. Patrick G. Egros seconded the motion. The following yea and nay votes were recorded:

Andrew S. Temoshenka – yea  
Patrick G. Egros – yea

Brian L. Sokol – yea  
George A. Martin - yea

Total yeas – 4; nays – 0

Jack McShane, 2116 Lakeview Drive – Mr. McShane said to Chairman Martin that he made a comment at the last meeting that he was younger than Mr. McShane and Mr. McShane wanted to know what he meant by this statement. Mr. McShane also told Chairman Martin if he can be any assistance to Chairman Martin to please contact him.

Jack McShane said in the January 13, 2010 Tribune Review there was an article stating that North Belle Vernon Council is shopping for employees health care because of the increase. Mr. McShane wanted to know what percent of increase did the Township have for health insurance. Chairman Martin said he would get back to Mr. McShane. Mr. McShane wanted to know if the township would be shopping around for a better price. Chairman Martin said they can not because of union constraints.

Jack McShane wanted to know who Municipal Employers Insurance Trust is. Mr. McShane wanted to know how much do they charge for their services of looking out for the best rates for the Township. Chairman Martin said he would get back to Mr. McShane with how much they charge.

Jack McShane said we need some female Board members.

Don Bottman said he had an unpleasant experience before the Zoning Hearing Board's meeting regarding the Harper/Lynch extension. Mr. Bottman said one of the Zoning Hearing Board's members told him that he did not like his demeanor so he was going to vote no but changed his mind and voted yes because of Mr. Bottman's demeanor. Mr. Bottman said he believes that he was a victim of prejudice. Mr. Bottman said a resident,

Jo Greenwood who also attended the meeting wrote a letter to the editor regarding what this board member said. Mr. Bottman said he is asking that the Board of Commissioners ask this board member of the Zoning Hearing Board to resign

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Brian L. Sokol moved monthly meeting be adjourned at 6:50 p.m. Andrew S. Temoshenka seconded the motion. The following yea and nay votes were recorded:

Andrew S. Temoshenka – yea	Brian L. Sokol – yea
Patrick G. Egros – yea	George A. Martin – yea

Total yeas – 4; nays – 0

*George A. Martin*  
George A. MARTIN, Chairman

ATTEST:

*Pamela S. Beard*  
Pamela S. BEARD, Township Secretary

THIS MEETING WAS TAPED.