

*REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
ROSS TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
DECEMBER 5, 2005*

The Regular Monthly meeting of the Ross Township Supervisors was called to order by Chairman Beers with members Vice Chairman Drake and Supervisor Kresge present. Solicitor Dunn was also present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and the meeting began at approximately 7:00 p.m..

Vice Chairman Drake made a motion to approve the minutes of the November , 2005 meeting and the Treasurer's Report as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Kresge and carried.

The proposed budget for 2006 was presented in the amount of \$726,175.00. A motion was made by Supervisor Kresge to adopt the 2006 budget. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Drake and carried.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC-Mr. Richard Kuklentz was recognized along with Andy Timmel his engineer in connection with a minor subdivision plan. Mr. Timmel explained that Mr. Kuklentz is seeking a waiver in connection with section 1022.D.1 of SALDO by asking for a pole position of 630 feet; he also needed to show an agreement for a shared driveway with Mr. Wright, who owns the remainder of the land. The waiver was granted on motion made by Vice Chairman Drake, seconded by Supervisor Kresge.

A roll call vote was taken, voting in favor were Vice Chiarman Drake and Supervisor Kresge, voting against was Chairman Beers. The motion carried. It was also determined that Mr. Kukulentz should have a 30 foot wide access from his property to Blue Ridge Rd. (leaving the remainder to Mr. Wright)with the exception of where the property narrows where it will then be divided in half, and to obtain a driveway permit thereby alleviating the need for a shared driveway and an agreement. However, it was mentioned that if each of them are comfortable using the same access road they could continue to do that but a driveway permit should be obtained since property owners can change. A motion was made by Chairman Beers to have Mr. Kuklentz show the 30 foot as described. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Drake and carried. The final issue was that the plan have a note put on it to the effect that there will be no further subdivision of the 60 acres.. After all agreed with these items the applicant indicated they would go back to the planning commission for further review.

Jeanne Altemose, Tax Collector was recognized concerning a delinquent tax issue that has arisen and Solicitor Dunn explained the details of the matter noting that the tax collectors of the County were told by the School District to submit their delinquent taxes to a company know as Portunoff instead of the Tax Claim Bureau as was done in the past. The tax claim bureau says the tax collector's must return the taxes to them. The tax collectors are being sued and there is a hearing before Judge Vican on this issue Wednesday, December 7th. The various tax collectors involved are seeking legal counsel to assist them. Solicitor Dunn noted that he spoke to Richard Deetz who is representing Middle Smithfield Township and suggested that Jeanne Altemose call him to represent her also. A motion was made by Vice Chairman Drake to appoint Attorney Richard Deetz for the Monroe County Action only and to consider seeking reimbursement from Pleasant Valley School District. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Kresge and carried.

William Kresge from Effort Associates was present to discuss the Sadler subdivision plan which he said has been conditionally approved by the Ross Township Planning Commission, the Township Engineer and also the Recreation fee has been paid. A review of the plan was made and a motion was made by Supervisor Kresge to approve the plan as recommended by the Planning Commission. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Drake and carried. The Sewer Planning Module was introduced and a motion was made by Vice Chairman Drake to approve it and to have the Planning Commission signature placed on it. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Kresge and carried.

OLD BUSINESS-

NEW BUSINESS-An ordinance regarding Compensation of Township Supervisors was Reviewed and a motion was made by Vice Chairman Drake to adopt Ordinance #63. The motion was seconded by Chairman Beers. A roll call vote was taken on the motion with both Chairman Beers and Vice Chairman Drake in favor with Supervisor Kresge abstaining.

A resolution was introduced which allows the Township to participate in the Commonwealth Procurement Code (similar to the piggyback program). After a review of Resolution #138, a motion was made by Supervisor Kresge, seconded by Vice Chairman Drake to adopt same. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Chairman Beers to adopt Resolution #139 which signifies the Township has adopted the Monroe County Hazard Mitigation Plan dated September 2005. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Drake and carried.

An Eagle Scout Resolution was discussed for Mark Allen Kresh, Jr. whose Court of Honor was December 3, 2005. A motion was made to adopt Resolution #137 in recognition of this event by Supervisor Kresge, seconded by Vice Chairman Drake and carried.

Some reappointments were made to the Zoning Hearing Board as follows:

Jack Breidinger for an additional five (5) year term; David Corrado and Patricia Bauer as alternates for additional five (5) year terms. These appointments were made on a motion by Vice Chairman Drake, seconded by Chairman Beers and carried.

Vice Chairman Drake noted receipt of some information from Spotts, Stevens & McCoy in connection with the Regional Comprehensive Plan and asked the Secretary to distribute copies to the other Supervisors, Planning Commission, SEO and Zoning Officer.

It was determined that since there wasn't anything on the agenda, the Open Space Meeting scheduled for December 12, 2005 would be cancelled.

Chairman Beers announced that the January 2006 meeting will be held on Tuesday January 3, 2006 since January 2nd is observed for New Years Day holiday which falls on Sunday.

Solicitor Dunn stated that he will be away for the January meeting and perhaps Dan Lyons could fill in if the Supervisors feel they need a Solicitor present.

There were several Girl Scouts in attendance who were recognized and were present because they are earning their citizens badge. Chairman Beers answered questions the girls posed. The other Supervisors discussed job duties and other things as did Solicitor Dunn.

ROAD FOREMAN REPORT-

CORRESPONDENCE-

After a review of the bills to be paid a motion was made by Supervisor Kresge to pay the bills as presented. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Drake and carried.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m..

Respectfully submitted,

Doris Price, Secretary