

*Regular Monthly Meeting  
Ross Township Supervisors Meeting  
November 7, 2005*

*The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Ross Township Supervisors was called to order at approximately 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Beers with members Vice Chairman Drake and Supervisor Kresge present. Solicitor Dunn was not present at this time. Chairman Beers led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.*

*A review of the minutes of the October 3, 2005 meeting and the current Treasurer's report resulted in a motion to approve by Vice Chairman Drake seconded by Supervisor Kresge and carried.*

*Chairman Beers presented the proposed budget for 2006 and noted that this is scheduled for adoption at the December 5, 2005 Supervisors meeting. A motion was made by Supervisors Kresge to make the necessary budget availability advertisement. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Drake and carried.*

*OPENING OF BIDS FOR FUEL PRODUCTS- No bids were received in response to the second advertisement. The Secretary noted receipt of a memo regarding this matter and suggested he clarify the situation when he arrives.*

*OPEN FOR THE PUBLIC – Michael Drury a resident of Pheasant Road was present asking for an extension of his building permit which expires December 2005. He explained he ran into some contractor delays the beginning and his now about two thirds complete. Chairman Beers asked if six months would be sufficient time to complete the work and Mr. Drury said "Yes". A motion was made by Supervisor Kresge to grant the requested extension for six (6) months. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Drake and carried.*

*PLANS – None*

*OLD BUSINESS – None*

*NEW BUSINESS –*

*Solicitor Dunn arrived at this time and Chairman Beers queried him on what would be necessary to increase the Supervisors salaries per Township code. Solicitor Dunn noted an Ordinance needs to be adopted per Section 606 of the 2<sup>nd</sup> class Township code which allows for an increase based on the current population for any Supervisor whose term commences after its adoption (in this case Supervisor Kresge's salary beginning January 2006 if he is successful in the election would increase to \$2,500 from \$1,875 and the other Supervisor will remain at \$1,875.00 until a new term commences for each of them.) A motion was made by Chairman Beers seconded by Vice Chairman Drake to advertise a proposed Ordinance be adopted. Supervisor Kresge abstained. The motion carried.*

*Vice Chairman Drake noted receipt of a letter from the Pocono Heritage Land Trust asking for financial support as in the past and she indicated they have been very helpful with questions she has posed to them concerning acquisitions. She suggested donating \$100.00 as last year and Chairman Beers suggested \$500.00 A motion was made by Supervisor Kresge to donate \$500.00 the motion was seconded by Chairman Beers and carried.*

*ROAD FOREMAN REPORT – The Board reviewed some of the equipment repairs with the Road Foreman. Snowplowing employees were discussed and it was noted that some part timers should be available. The Road Foreman said he will check around and the Secretary said will check the files for applications. The Road Foreman discussed a truck purchase and a piggybank program he added he would obtain the information needed to purchase under this program.*

*Solicitor Dunn was asked about the fuel bid situation and he reviewed the memo written to the Secretary stating that now that we have satisfied the advertising requirement and no bids have been received we can purchase fuel as needed but we cannot enter a contract until 45 days from the second advertisement date. The Secretary said she will call various suppliers to obtain pricing and delivery.*

*CORRESPONDENCE – In connection with a letter received from the Commissioners Office, a motion was made by Vice Chairman Drake, seconded by Supervisor Kresge to join together and bid for tax collector bonding from 2006-2009. The motion was carried.*

*A letter was received from Voters Registration asking that the Municipal Building be opened at 6 a.m. since it's the Township polling place. It was agreed that Vice Chairman Drake would open at 6 a.m. and Supervisors Kresge would lock at 8:00 p.m.*

*A letter received from resident David House was discussed and it was decided that Vice Chairman Drake contact Mr. House since the matter concerns Open Space land.*

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

*There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m with the Supervisors holding an executive session for a discussion on the purchase of real estate property with their Solicitor.*

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Doris Price, Secretary*