

AGENDA
ROSS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING
NOVEMBER 6, 2006

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Ross Township Supervisors was called to order by Chairman Beers at 7:00 p.m. with members Supervisor Drake and Vice Chairman Kresge present. Solicitor Dunn was also present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The meeting adjourned in order to continue with a Conditional Use Hearing that was in progress from 6:30 p.m.. The meeting continued at approximately 8:00 p.m. at the conclusion of the hearing.

After a review of the Minutes and Treasurer's report a motion was made by Vice Chairman Kresge to approve them as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Drake and carried.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC-Matt Holm an Eagle Scout from Troop #98 presented an idea for his project which is to redo the porch and roof of the old schoolhouse and also paint the inside of the porch and polyurethane the floors. Chairman Beers noted that slate should be used on the roof and suggested that the Township buy it. The Supervisors agreed to this project.

*Nate Oiler from RKR Hess Associates was next on the agenda who spoke of the A-J Properties subdivision application for the property near Kunkletown on Wier Lake Rd. at Annies Lane formerly Deckers driveway.). The application is for five new lots two of which have access to Annies Lane. Some discussion took place concerning the ownership of Annies Lane since it is **not** a Township Road. There was lengthy discussion concerning who owns it and what the future of it is. Mr. Oiler indicated there was some discussion about this issue at the Planning Commission hence the reason he is before the Supervisors. Solicitor Dunn noted that the lots can have access on the private street*

but the private street must be brought up to Township standards and ownership must be shown. It seems that the person who bought the existing house purchased all the lots that came off of Annies Lane and he did not want Annies Lane to become a Township Rd. Therefore, the lots were all combined as one tax parcel. Chairman Beers assumed the lane was turned over to the owner of the lots at the time he bought them all. It was determined that in order to provide access via Annies Lane for more than two lots the road needs to be brought up to Township specifications and turned over to the Township. Nate Oiler noted that he did not find anything recorded. The end result was that we need to know who owns it, who will maintain it, if it's to be turned over to the Township than it needs to be brought up to Township specifications.

Mr. Oiler discussed flag lots and he noted that he wanted to address any concerns the Supervisor would have (the same Annies Lane lots) The SALDO says not more than 20% of the lots in a minor subdivision can be flag lots therefore they intend to make two 20 foot strips out to Annies Lane for access to two of the lots. Mr. Oiler read the definition of a flag lot (1022B) and determined that they have well over the width at the set back line so that these are not considered flags lots. He noted that accessing off Annies Lane is safer than Kunkletown Rd. which has sight distance issues.

PLANS-Three time extension requests were reviewed and Vice Chairman Kresge moved to grant the Sarah Jones subdivision an extension until February 5, 2007; an extension

of time to AJ Properties until December 5, 2006; a time extension to the Detrick subdivision until December 5, 2006 as recommended by the Ross Township Planning Commission. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Drake and carried.

The Planning Module for the Detrick subdivision was submitted for submission to DEP and a motion was made by Vice Chairman Kresge to approve it. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Drake and carried.

Arsha Vidya Gurukulam's Development Agreement, Sewage System Maintenance Agreement and Right of Way Agreement were presented for signature and Solicitor Dunn said he reviewed the documents they were signed by the Supervisors with the exception of the actual mylar and paper plans which are presently being prepared for signature.

OLD BUSINESS-Vice Chairman Kresge noted that George Haas offered to make the sign for the Park (donate his time) if the Township purchases the materials. It was agreed to move ahead with that.

The next Park and Recreation meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 9th which will be attended by Vice Chairman Kresge since Supervisor Drake is not able to.

Some discussion took place concerning projects for the park area and Chairman Beers stated that the Supervisors are looking for suggestions from the Park Committee since we will soon have some funds available to allow moving forward with park plans. Charles Wagner, Chairman of the Park Committee was present and noted that some ideas they previously had were "shot down" adding that the committee doesn't know what the Supervisors are looking to do. Chairman Beers reiterated that at this time we will be having funds available to proceed with the park. Vice Chairman Kresge suggested that work could begin with the walking path. It was also noted that when any group or even the Park Committee have ideas or events to be held on the park property the Supervisors must be notified in order to be sure nothing else has been scheduled and to allow time to obtain the necessary insurance coverage.

A letter from the Monroe County Open Space Committee requesting comments on their uniform sign ordinance relating to open space was discussed. No comments given.

An amendment to Ordinance #11 (Earned Income Tax) was discussed by Solicitor Dunn and a motion was made and seconded to place the necessary advertisement for action at the December 4th meeting.

NEW BUSINESS-Supervisor Drake noted there is to be a meeting for the Township Officials for the Regional Park the two dates discussed are December 6th or December 13th at 6:00 p.m. Chestnuthill Township will make the necessary advertisement.

A budget work session was scheduled for November 15, 2006 at 6:30 p.m..

In connection with opening and closing the Municipal Building for election day, Chairman Beers will open and 6:00 a.m. and Vice Chairman Kresge will close.

Since no bids for fuel were received a motion was made by Supervisor Drake, seconded by Vice Chairman Kresge to readvertise. The motion carried.

Regarding the application for conditional use (lot averaging) a motion was made to advertise the continuance of the hearing held Monday, November 6th to a date and time to be determined after arrangements can be made by Solicitor Dunn. The motion was made by Chairman Beers, seconded by Supervisor Drake and carried.

Supervisors Drake addressed a memo received from Linda Marsili, EIT concerning the purchase of a battery back up for her computer. A motion was made by Supervisor Drake, seconded by Vice Chairman Kresge to purchase the battery back ups for all the Township computers. The motion carried.

Frank Piraino was recognized who advised there is a sink hole at Owl Hollow and Rolling Hills Rd. at the right hand shoulder. It was noted that the Road Foreman would be advised of this condition.

CORRESPONDENCE-In response to a letter from Monroe County Commissioners it was decided to accept one voting machine for the Township to keep for historical purposes.

A letter received from Richard Kraseley concerning release of escrow funds for CMC Development for drywell installation and drainage issues on Bonser Rd. was discussed and it was determined that it still is not working correctly and it was tabled.

RECEIPTS & EXPENDITURES- After a review of the bills, a motion was made by Supervisor Drake to pay the bills as presented. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Kresge and carried.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m..

Respectfully submitted: Doris Price, Secretary