

ROSS TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
MEETING
JANUARY 2, 2007

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. It was approximately 7:10 p.m..

The minutes and Treasurer's report were reviewed and a motion was made by Supervisor Kresge to approve both as presented. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Drake and carried.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC-Mr. Heeter was recognized who was present to discuss his earned income tax. He explained that his accountant did not file his EIT return for the years of 1998-2003 and he is now subject to penalties and interest. He is looking for the Supervisors to grant him relief from the additional charges. Chairman Beers noted that he doesn't think this is something the Supervisory Board can act on and referred to Solicitor Dunn. Solicitor Dunn indicated that he could look into it and he asked Mr. Heeter if he contacted the school as yet, since they also collect part of the EIT they might not look favorable on this request.

Mr. Heeter asked about the conditional use hearings that were held for the lot averaging subdivision submission and wanted to offer comments. Solicitor Dunn responded by telling Mr. Heeter that the Board could not hear his comments since the record is closed after having had the necessary hearings. The final hearing for the decision is scheduled for January 22nd. at 6:30 p.m..

PLANS-Mike Kafkalis was present to discuss the Sarah Jones subdivision more particularly the compliance with site distance for the driveways. It appears that Penndot standards for site distance vary from those of the Township subdivision ordinance which are more restrictive. According to Mr. Kafkalis, Russ Kresge Township Engineer is not happy with the waiver they are requesting. Mr. Kafkalis indicated in lieu of the Township granting a waiver they would have to do a traffic study and at this point his client feels that is too costly. Chairman Beers noted that we will discuss this with Russ Kresge, Township Engineer for possible compliance with the Penndot regulations. Some discussion took place concerning the issuance of driveway permits as to when and how they are issued with Solicitor Dunn stating that driveway permits should not be issued on a subdivision that has not been approved.

Time extensions were granted on the AJ Properties subdivision and the Detrick subdivision until February 6, 2007 as recommended by the Planning Commission on a motion by Supervisor Kresge, seconded by Vice Chairman Drake and carried.

A letter was received from Attorney Maskrey on behalf of Arsha Vidya concerning their Land Development Plan in which they are requesting it be withdrawn. This plan was approved with conditions, which conditions were not totally completed. Some discussion took place concerning outstanding fees that may be due and the Secretary indicated she was not aware of any outstanding fees. Supervisor Kresge made a motion to accept their request to withdraw their plan if there are not outstanding fees. Chairman Beers moved to accept their request regardless of any outstanding fees. Vice Chairman Drake said she felt there are no outstanding fees and seconded Supervisor Kresge's

motion. A roll call vote on Supervisor Kresge's motion resulted in Vice Chairman Drake and Supervisor Kresge voting for it and Chairman Beers was opposed.

OLD BUSINESS-Vice Chairman Drake talked about a sign for the park and some information submitted by the park committee. Supervisor Kresge said Mr. Haas said he would donate his time in making the sign if the Township purchased the material. A motion was made by Chairman Beers to allow up to \$1,000.00 for sign materials. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Drake and carried.

Chairman Beers noted that the Township should be receiving its Open Space funds around the middle of January in the amount of \$228,000.00 while approval has been granted by the Open Space Committee it must go on to the Commissioners.

NEW BUSINESS-Chairman Beers discussed the hearing held earlier this evening concerning the proposed Zoning and SALDO amendments. A motion was made by Vice Chairman Drake to adopt the amendment to the Zoning Ordinance. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Kresge and carried. A motion was made by Supervisor Kresge, seconded by Vice Chairman Drake to approve the amendment to SALDO. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Supervisor Kresge to appoint William Blickensderfer to the Planning Commission filling the unexpired term of Karl Krout who has resigned. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Drake and carried.

Some discussion took place regarding the extension on the mortgage note for the park land purchase (4 more years interest fee) the payments would increase to \$45,000.00 per year from \$40,000.00. A motion was made to this effect by Vice Chairman Drake, seconded by Supervisor Kresge and carried.

There was some discussion on the increase on graffiti on signs around the Township and how costly the signs are to replace. Chairman Beers noted that the signs used to be sent out to be resurfaced and the Secretary looked at the most recent bill and reviewed same with the Supervisors.

ROAD FOREMAN REPORT- Chairman Beers asked the Secretary to inform the Road Foreman that Tittle Rd. Bridge needs to be cleaned out.

A review of the bills was accomplished after which 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 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Doris Price, Secretary