

*ROSS TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
MEETING
JULY 2, 2007*

The Regular Monthly meeting of the Ross Township Supervisors was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Beers who requested all to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Members Vice Chairman Drake and Supervisor Kresge were in attendance as was Solicitor Dunn.

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Drake to accept the minutes of the June 4, 2007 meeting and the Treasurers report as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Kresge and carried.

Chairman Beers noted receipt of a resignation letter (last month) from the elected tax collector and added that at this point the Supervisors must appoint someone to fill the position according to the Township Code. Interviews have been conducted and a motion was made by Supervisor Kresge to appoint Deborah Dottery. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Drake and carried.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC-Mrs. Moretz was recognized who asked about the situation on the corner of Weir Lake Rd. and Kunkletown Rd. involving dumpsters and trucks. The Zoning Officer responded by saying he will be in touch with Tina Daly regarding the matter the next day.

PLANS-A.J. Properties was represented by Nate Oiler of RKR Hess Associates who reviewed the plan since the changes were made from last month which included the 25% slope note on the plan; lot layout changed a bit because one lot has been removed; there is work being done to correct the site distance problem discussed in the Township Engineers letter; the applicant will be submitting the recreation fee, development agreement and bond for improvements to Annie's Lane. Chairman Beers made a motion to give this plan a conditional approval based on a recommendation from the Planning Commission with the following conditions: Annie's Lane improvement be done in accordance with the description set forth in Russ Kresge's letter of June 28, 2007, that Russ Kresge approves the amount provided for in the development agreement, that the development agreement be approved by Solicitor Dunn, that the Recreation fee be paid and that the site distance issue be resolved. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Kresge and carried.

Mike Lalli of Effort Associates was present on behalf of the Pollock subdivision. He noted that Mr. Pollock wants to cut a single lot off of his property on Rollings Hills Rd. and Meixell Valley Rd. and in reviewing it he discovered a note on the previous subdivision plan indicating a note on the plan indicates a portion was to be dedicated to Ross Township for future road widening which was never done. Chairman Beers said he would like to see it done and Mr. Lalli said he will prepare a description for

it. All agreed. The Planning Module was submitted also and a motion was made by Supervisor Kresge, seconded by Vice Chairman Drake to approve. The motion carried.

Nate Oiler was present on behalf of the Detrick Subdivision he noted that the shoulder work has been completed tree removal for site distance has been done. A Penndot permit has been received and the Township issued the other necessary ones. Although the Road Foreman issued the permits it was determined that Russ Kresge's concurrence is necessary. It was agreed that after we receive the Recreation fee and a favorable response from Russ Kresge regarding the aforementioned items the plan can be approved.

J & D Holdings was the next plan on the agenda. Marv Walton introduced himself as representing this subdivision plan. He noted that in accordance with the Alternate Engineer's request the stormwater plan must updated for 50 year storm rather than 10 as it is. The sewage testing is now completed and he noted that the driveway that was in question will now be from Meixell Valley Rd. and not from the private road as was indicated. The owner is aware of the Recreation fee and will be paid. Driveway detail is placed on the plan as requested. Hanover Engineering indicated that all conditions have been met with exception of them issuing a letter regarding the stormwater plan. There was some discussion concerning the remaining lands and it was noted that there should be a note on the plan stating no further development and whether or not they should be called open space. To have lot #4 comply language will be placed on the plan that indicated in the event the existing septic system fails a new one will go in the reserve area and the lot will revert back to the lot owner of lot 4. This matter is to be worked out with Truman Burnett, SEO. A motion was made by Supervisor Kresge to conditionally approve the plan as recommended by the Planning Commission with the following conditions:

- 1. The stormwater calculations revisions per the Alternate Engineers request.*
- 2. The change to Restrictive Covenant #10 indicating that the lot owner shall be financially responsible for all costs instead of the last sentence reading "a lien for all costs.....".*
- 3. Restrictive Covenant #13 shall read if the existing sewage system fails (on lot 4) a new one will go in the reserve area and the easement will revert to the lot owner. (Township SEO will concur with Niclaus Eng on this)*
- 4. Submission and approval of a planning module.*
- 5. Payment of the Recreation fees to be forwarded to the Township.*

The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Drake. A roll call vote was taken and voting yes were both Supervisor Kresge and Vice Chairman Drake. Chairman Beers abstained.

OLD BUSINESS- No one present from West End Life Support

NEW BUSINESS-A letter was received requesting an extension of a building permit from Daniel Kruppa who lives on Weir Lake Rd. and he is having health issues which

are hampering him from finishing the project. A motion was made by Supervisor Kresge to grant the 6 month extension, the motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Drake and carried.

Some discussion took place in connection with the Park Committee requests which were some ideas for rules and regulations and progress for the park. Additionally, there was mention that the Women of Ross would like to have a picnic on August 5, 2007. Insurance issues were discussed also. Chairman Beers discussed the walking path that is presently being constructed and gave some ideas about a pavillion for picnicking. Supervisor Kresge suggested the machinery necessary to do the path could be rented and Township's. Chairman Beers went on to discuss the rules and regulations and particularly the number of people for organized activities that should be changed from 200 to 100 which would be more realistic. Age is important and residency in the Township also. It was decided, at the present time, there will be no organizing of events but if people want to gather their that is different. In the future there will be a time when reserving space will be required because we will have a fully functioning park but at present if the public uses the area they will be subject to other people using the area also. The discussion went on with other rules such as motorized vehicles, pets, firearms, outdoor fires, etc.. A request for youth to be on the Park and Rec. Committee was agreed to. Some signs were discussed and some new rules were added to a list submitted by the committee. In connection with looking for grant money it was agreed that would be fine as long as the Supervisors know what the application is for. If there is a violation of the rules the violator will be subject to suit by the Township and for recovery of costs incurred was the designated language to be placed on the list of park rules and regulations. The last item discussed was the dedication of the brick path or dedication area involving the sale of the bricks. Supervisor Kresge said we are working on this a little at a time many changes have been and will be made on the plan drawn up by ESU students because the land lends itself to different ways of accomplishing the work. It was determined that there is not a specific place as yet for the bricks and as the park progresses there will be an area for them.

Chairman Beers spoke to John Dunn concerning a sewage agreement that Truman Burnett was working on for Golden Generation Students Assn. and Solicitor Dunn responded by saying he reviewed the agreement and made some changes returning it to Mr. Burnett who sent it to Mike Lalli who will proceed with it.

Chairman Beers asked Solicitor Dunn if a cemetery can be placed anywhere and the Zoning Officer indicated that a 2 acre parcel is required but it is permitted in any zone although there are State and Federal regulations. Solicitor Dunn said as part of the permit you would issue you would put language indicating the conditions required, if any, by the Zoning Ordinance and that all State and Federal regulations must be complied with. The Secretary asked if a building is included wouldn't that be land development and the Solicitor said yes in fact if

the parcel were larger and part was a cemetery and the rest something else that could also be land development.

Chairman Beers stated that since Deborah Dottery the former part-time Secretary/ Planning Commission Secretary has been appointed as Tax Collector another person should fill that position. He indicated during the interview process for Tax Collector an applicant who seemed qualified for the part time Secretary/Planning Commission Secretary position expressed interest in it and he made a motion to appoint Sharon Steen. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Kresge and carried. It was determined that the Secretary would discuss hours with Ms Steen and train her to do payroll and other office duties in the event the Secretary is absent.

Supervisor Kresge discussed the name of a road in his development which is now Brian Drive which should have been Brian C. Drive. Chairman Beers indicated that Solicitor Dunn should look into the procedure since he recalled something concerning another time this situation arose (Highpoint Dr. & Longview Dr.) and certain requirements were necessary.

Vice Chairman Drake noted that July 9th the next Regional Open Space meeting will be held at 7p.m. to discuss the Master site plan with the YSM.

An alternate for the Regional Park Committee was discussed and Bill Blickensderfer submitted the name of Chris Doerbecker. A motion was made by Chairman Beers, seconded by Supervisor Kresge to appoint Chris Doerbecker to fill the position.

Vice Chairman Drake discussed the Stormwater Ordinance and indicated she wants to include the Acquashicola in our ordinance she doesn't want Jackson Township's Ordinance and wants to see Chestnuthills.

ROAD FOREMAN-In the absence of the Road Foreman the Secretary explained that he would like to include paving of Overlook Dr. in the project for this year. Supervisor Kresge said to approve it and he will look it over. Chairman Beers reviewed the monthly report and noted that the road department will be working on shoulders and installing pipes on Princess Run Rd. and Faulstick Rd.,

RECEIPTS & EXPENDITURES- After a review of the bills to be paid, a motion was made by Supervisor Kresge to approve the bills for payment as presented, the motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Drake and carried.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m..

Respectfully submitted,

Doris Price, Secretary

