

ROSS TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS  
MEETING  
MAY 5, 2008

*The Regular Monthly meeting of the Ross Township Supervisors was called to order by Chairman Beers at 7:00 p.m. beginning with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Members Vice Chairman Kresge and Supervisor Drake were present. Solicitor Dunn was also in attendance.*

*The minutes of the April 7, 2008 meeting were approved on a motion made by Supervisors Drake, seconded by Vice Chairman Kresge and carried. A motion was made by Vice Chairman Kresge to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Drake and carried.*

*The first order of business was to adopt a Resolution addressing the insertion of an escalator clause in the bidding contract for road work for this year. A motion was made by Supervisor Drake to adopt Resolution #157 for this purpose. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Kresge and carried.*

*The following bids for road resurfacing and for the purchase of road materials were opened in response to the advertisements made:*

*Hanson Aggregates, Pa., Inc.*

*4,500 tons 9.5mm Wearing Course to be used as a scratch/leveling course application and depth to be determined by Township-----\$63.65 per ton*

*1,500 tons 19.00mm Wearing Course depth to be determined by the Township-----\$59.70 per ton*

*Locust Ridge Quarry*

*4,500 tons 9.5mm Wearing Course to be used as a scratch/leveling course application and depth to be determined by Township-----\$68.64 per ton*

*1,500 tons 19.0mm Wearing Course depth to be determined by the Township-----65.77 per ton*

*A motion was made by Chairman Beers to accept the bids from Hanson Aggregates, Pa., Inc. as indicated above. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Kresge and carried.*

*300 tons more or less of the following FOB plant: 3A stone, 3A modified, #4 stone, 2B washed stone, 2A state, 1B washed stone, 1/4 washed stone, 2RC driveway stone, 2A modified, gabion, cold patch and 5,000 gallons E3M oil delivered as needed.*

*Bids for the above products were received from Hanson Aggregates, Pa. and JDM Materials. A motion was made by Chairman Beers to award the bid for 3A modified, #4 washed stone, 2B stone, 2A state, 1B washed, 1/4 washed, 2RC driveway, gabion to*

*JDM Materials. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Drake and carried.*

*A motion was made by Chairman Beers, seconded by Supervisor Drake to accept the bid from Hanson Aggregates, Pa. for cold patch and 2A modified (as recommended by the Road Foreman-better product for Township needs although 5 cents more on the bid) The motion carried.*

*No bid was received for 5,000 gallons of E3M oil.*

*OPEN TO THE PUBLIC-Rita Lacey from Close the Loop was present who was requesting use of the park area for a "give & take day" from 11-1 people can bring items they no longer want and from 1-4 people can come and take things they may want which encourage reuse and recycling. She added that she would be responsible for removal of items that are left and said she contacted Salvation Army who would come with a truck and remove items left but needs approximately 3 weeks notice before the event to be available. She gave information about a website called freecycle which offers a similar service. Chairman Beers asked about the leftover items and said he wouldn't want it to be there more than one day because it would entice people to bring more "junk" there. He explained that he thought it was a good idea but that it must be a one day event clean up included. Supervisor Drake agreed and it was decided that the Supervisors would think about it and get back to Ms. Lacey.*

*Mr. Grant a resident of Shady Oaks spoke about speeding vehicles and traffic coming from Vista Estates on Milton Lane that go right through a stop sign causing a danger to pedestrians and animals in the subdivision. Mr. & Mrs. Grant suggested speed bumps be installed. Vice Chairman Kresge indicated that speed bumps are not advisable because they interfere with snowplowing. It was decided that the Secretary would write a letter or call the State Police.*

*PLANS-A motion was made to agree to the extension request for Pear Tree Builders/ Mountain View Estates which will be good until June 3, 2008 as recommending by the Planning Commission. The motion was made by Chairman Beers, seconded by Vice Chairman Kresge and carried.*

*OLD BUSINESS-The next agenda item was a decision on the Intergovernmental Agreement and Solicitor Dunn noted that the changes made are consistent with what was discussed. He noted that a hold up could happen when there is an amendment to the SALDO or Zoning Ordinance. He added if the CJERPC is of the opinion that the amendment proposal is not generally consistent with the CJERPC Regional Comp. Plan and it would result in an invalidation of existing shared uses within any participating municipal zoning ordinance, or would prevent the enactment of valid shared uses within any participating municipal zoning ordinance, the CJERPC shall provide written notification to the participating Municipality setting forth specific factual basis for such opinion. A municipality is not bound by this agreement as far as a plan of regional significance although CJERPC shall have the right to review developments of regional significance to determine general consistency with the plan.*

*Chairman Beers asked what is the purpose of this board. Solicitor Dunn said the board is there to try and suggest that if there is a plan of regional significance they would hope each Municipality would pause and listen to them but if you don't you don't. He went on to say it is a mechanism to try and implement the Comprehensive Plan in a unified way. Chairman Beers suggested the Supervisors look over this information until the next meeting since these were just received. It was agreed.*

*Some discussion took place concerning the park fence and plans for a pavilion and Chairman Beers noted he had preliminary meeting with the water company as discussed at the last Supervisors Meeting and they seem agreeable and will meet again to discuss things further. They will provide **access** to the water for our park needs also. Chairman Beers noted how unsightly the brush looks as you approach the stream, Supervisor Drake noted that it can be done but you must maintain certain environment around the stream/ creek. It was noted that the fencing can be seen at the Polk Township Municipal Building and the Delaware Recreation Area. Chairman Beers discussed the farmer and the corn planted last year noting he was to plant grass after last years corn. He would now like to plant corn again this year if that is going to be allowed. Vice Chairman Kresge said he has seeded something and suggested shut the corn down for next year and allow him some area 100 feet from the parking lot for corn. It was agreed to allow the corn planting this year.*

*Chairman Beers discussed a pole building and said it is not advisable to put up a pole building with the idea of closing it in sometime in the future. Judy Breidinger noted that since there are dogs being walked around the park area (walking trail) pet waste disposal systems would be a good thing to install it was determined that one at each end of the trail would work well. There was some discussion about the construction of a building on the park property and it was noted that during some open space meetings it was discussed that any building to be erected must be proposed to the County Open Space Committee.*

*Some discussion took place about an Autumn Fest or Carnival and it was decided that the Park committee get some ideas together and keep the Supervisors apprised of what is going on.*

*Regarding the Lot Averaging decision, it was tabled until the next meeting to allow input from the Planning Commission.*

*NEW BUSINESS-Chairman Beers addressed an item under correspondence as this time which was the EIT resolution which was adopted on motion by Chairman Beers, seconded by Vice Chairman Kresge and carried.*

*ROAD FOREMAN REPORT-The old barn is to be torn down this month and the slate roof will be disposed of because they are rotted. The road foreman noted that he will be putting shoulders on the recently paved roads.*

*CORRESPONDENCE- A letter was received from the State Police soliciting donations*

*in support of Camp Cadet the Secretary indicated no donation was made last year however there was prior years. It was decided that no donation would be made.  
(Supervisor Drake was not present at this time having left early)*

*After a review of the bills, a motion was made by Vice Chairman Kresge to pay the bills as presented. The motion was seconded by Chairman Beers and carried.*

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

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Doris Price, Secretary*