

ROSS TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS MEETING

SEPTEMBER 8, 2009

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Ross Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Beers with members Vice Chairman Kresge and Supervisor Drake present. Solicitor Dunn was also present.

Chairman Beers led all present with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

After a review of the minutes of the August 5, 2009 meeting and the current Treasurer's report, a motion was made by Vice Chairman Kresge to approve both. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Drake and carried.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC-Judy Breidinger of the Ross Township Park Committee submitted information of a change in the Phase III portion of the playground equipment to be purchased that the Park Committee agreed to. It was noted that Bernie Kozen, Park Director will be placing the order and the order should arrive in about 3-5 weeks.

Ms. Breidinger discussed a horse rescue group and it was agreed that it would be acceptable for the Community Day event. Some further discussion about Community Day took place regarding transporting people from the Anchorage Rd. side of the park to the pavilion. A tractor pulling wagons and similar things were discussed which resulted in Vice Chairman Kresge looking into the feasibility, as well as the park committee members.

PLANS-Scott Policelli of Policelli Engineering, Inc. was present on behalf of the Bogad minor subdivision who attended the August Planning Commission requesting a modification of the Stormwater Ordinance. The Planning Commission recommended the waiver be approved allowing roof water run off only to the dry wells. A motion was made by Supervisor Drake as the Planning Commission recommended. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Kresge and carried. A seconded request concerning the driveway grades is also being requested and it was noted by Chairman Beers that the Planning Commission has not seen this request as yet and after looking at the plan Chairman Beers suggested since there is an alternate location a modification is not the only way to do the driveway and further that it be returned to the Planning Commission for comment and recommendation to the Board of Supervisors.

The next item under plans is Pear Tree/Mountain View Estates and Solicitor Dunn began by noting that the applicant and his Attorney Lisa Pereira were present as well as representatives of Hanover Engineering who are Chad Peters and Jim Millott. Also introduced was Mike Russek of Van Cleef Engineering on behalf of the applicant. It was noted that Russ Kresge, Township Engineer had a conflict and could not be present but submitted a written current review dated September 3, 2009. Solicitor Dunn added that he spoke to Attorney Ellen Shurdak who informed him that the access issue is still the same (there is no access).

OLD BUSINESS-Solicitor Dunn noted that he will prepare the SALDO amendment for next months meeting.

NEW BUSINESS-A motion was made by Supervisor Drake to place the necessary advertisement to accept bids for fuel the same quantities as last year. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Kresge and carried.

Supervisor Drake reported that she met with Mr. Jacoby (owner of the former Davis property) and the Pocono Heritage Land Trust to discuss a conservation easement on the property (eastern portion) and the PHLT indicated they will review the request and come up with some options and get the information back to us. She submitted a survey sheet from the PHLT to each Supervisor to be completed and submitted to the Township Secretary who will forward them.

Supervisor Drake noted that mowing still needs to be completed for Community Day.

Bernie Kozen noted that the grass is quite high adjacent to where the normal mowing is done so it was discussed that the farmer may be able to mow the field area. Vice Chairman Kresge indicated he would discuss this with the farmer.

Chairman Beers asked if a pipe under a property owners driveway becomes clogged who is responsible for cleaning it. If the reason it is clogged is not caused by the property owner than the Township is responsible.

ROAD FOREMAN REPORT-

CORRESPONDENCE-A letter was received from Monroe County Youth Field Day requesting a donation and it was decided not to donate this year since the Township has some budget restraints having forfeited real estate taxes for this year.

A letter was received from Monroe County Litter Control and a motion was made by Chairman Beers to donate \$500.00. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Kresge and carried.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES-After a review of the bills to be paid a motion was made by Supervisor Drake to pay the bills as presented. The motion was seconded by Chairman Beers and carried.

At 7:53 and executive session began for the purposes of discussion on litigation.

The meeting continued at 8:02 with Chairman Beers stating that during the executive session pending litigation on collecting a municipal fine was discussed with no decisions made.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:03p.m..

Respectfully submitted,

Doris Price, Secretary