

**West Donegal Township Supervisors
Board of Supervisors Meeting
March 9, 2015**

The reorganizational meeting of the Supervisors was held at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Municipal Building. Chairman Roger Snyder called the meeting to order with the following Supervisors in attendance: Ralph Horne, John Yoder, Clair Hilsher and Doug Hottenstein. Also in attendance were Zoning Officer Wayne Miller, Township Manager, Gene Oldham, Chief of NRLCPC, Mark Mayberry, and Township Solicitor Josele Cleary.

I. Call Meeting to Order

II. Pledge of Allegiance, Silent Prayer, Tape Announcement

III. Roll Call of Supervisors – all Supervisors present.

IV. Approval of the February 23, 2015 Workshop Meeting Minutes -- Motion by Supervisor Yoder/Supervisor Horne to approve.

V. Public Comments – Marie Martin wanted to make it known that she was pleased with the road crew during the recent snow storm. Her road stayed clear during the heavy snow and drifting. Dave Heisey questioned why not just change the zoning for Ironstone Ranch to commercial. The Board is still working on this project.

VI. Reports -- All reports approved as submitted. Motion by Supervisor Yoder/Supervisor Horne to approve. Motion carries.

VII. Presentations

- A. Auditor's Report for 2014 – White Rudy and Company – Phil Rudy is present and gives a review of the audit. Overall he is very pleased with the improvement of the budget. It was a good year and better than the previous year. Supervisor Yoder makes a motion to approve and submit the audit/Supervisor Hottenstein to approve. Motion carries.
- B. Continuation of Presentation/Discussion of Changes to Sections 240 – Definitions, 240-112 – Riding Stables and Clubs, and 240-115.2 – Rural Heritage Meeting Center. – Matt Crème of Nikolaus and Hohenadel, LLP, counsel for Mr. Abel, is present. The owner would prefer to keep the rural zoning designation and not change to commercial. The two areas of concern are increasing the number of people allowed on the property prior to the location of a secondary access to the site in case of emergency and the use of a commercial kitchen area.

VIII. Actions

- A. Approve/Reject the submission of Zoning Ordinance changes to the LCPC for review and comments. – Motion by Supervisor Horne/Supervisor Hottenstein to approve Sections 240-112 and 240-115.2 of the Zoning Ordinance. Motion carries.
- B. Approve/Reject the purchase of 2 AED units plus wall mounts for \$1,650. – Motion by Supervisor Horne/Supervisor Yoder to approve. Motion carries.
- C. West Donegal Township declared a snow emergency beginning at 12 p.m. on Thursday, March 5, until 9 a.m. on Friday March 6, 2015.

IX. Discussion Items

- A. Newville Road Bridge Project – They will soon start working on the footers on the south side. There will be a job meeting in April.
- B. Review of Barton Associates on the requirements of the generator -- Motion by Supervisor Yoder to proceed with design for Barton Associates for a generator at the Township Building and Maintenance Shed. Supervisor Horne seconds to approve. Motion carries.

- C. Donegal Elizabethtown Area Appeals Board – Replacement for Fran Bridge – Supervisor Yoder is working on finding a replacement.
 - D. Zoning Ordinance Chapter 240 suggested changes for Board review – Tabled to allow Planning Commission to review Solicitor Cleary's suggested changes.
 - E. Fee Schedule – Additions from Chapter 195 Streets and Sidewalks – Township Manager Oldham is working on revising the Fee Schedule.
 - F. Fire Tax discussion -- The Board will request the Fire Departments attend the March 23, 2015 Workshop for a discussion of department budgets.
 - G. There was a job conference today for the HVAC updates that are taking place to the township building. The entire project is scheduled to be completed by the end of May.
 - H. Township Manager Oldham is requesting a \$50,000 annual blanket bond from UGI for work they are doing on Heisey Quarry Road. Motion by Supervisor Yoder/Supervisor Hottenstein to approve. Motion carries.
- X. **Executive Session** – This was held prior after the meeting and no decisions were made.
- XI. **Bills Payable** – Motion by Supervisor Horne/Supervisor Yoder to approve. Motion carries.
- XII. **Adjourn** – Motion by Supervisor Yoder/Supervisor Horne to approve. The meeting is adjourned at 8:26pm.

Prepared by April Miller for

J. Clair Hilsher, Secretary