

**West Donegal Township Supervisors
Regular Meeting
October 14, 2013**

The regular 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 Nancy Garber. Also in attendance were Township Manager Gene Oldham, Chief of NWRPD Mark Mayberry, Zoning Officer Wayne Miller, and Township Roadmaster, Jeff Templin.

- I. **Call to Order**
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance, Silent Prayer, Tape Announcement**
- III. **Roll Call of Supervisors** – all Supervisors were present.
- IV. **Approval of the September 23 Workshop Meeting Minutes** –Supervisor Horne moved to approve the Workshop Minutes. Supervisor Garber seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- V. **Public Comments** – Marie Martin from West Ridge Road asked for an update on the Newville Road Bridge project. Township Manager Oldham noted that he received an email stating that he has not received a response from Amtrak regarding the help offered by PennDOT. Congressman Pitts supports the effort to get an answer and action from Amtrak. Dave Heisey asked about the decisions from the Zoning Hearing Board meeting held on September 30, 2013. A variance was denied for Dogwood Drive and Bossler Road. The Abel property has conditions that need to be met. The third item was a request for in-law quarters and it was granted. Tina Hilsher of School Lane requested an update of the Shenk property. Discussion is scheduled later on in the agenda. Dwight Aungst of Stonemill Drive inquired about the new pay loader setting at the garage. Roadmaster Templin noted this is a demo. The pay loader has not been purchased.
- VI. **Reports** -- Supervisor Yoder moved to approve the Reports. Supervisor Horne seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- VII. **Action Items** –
 - A. **R.E. Pierson Zoning Request presented on September 23, 2013 for property along Bossler Road.** – A representative group of residents (Bob Best, Beth Molloy, Jill Brenner, Matt Gage, Lionel Bostdorf, Samatha Drumheller, Carl & Nancy Haas, Krista Beach, Christine Hamilton, Paul Geiman, Bethany Barnhart, Donna Long, Brenda Hickernell, Bob Ricedorf and Ashleigh Hay) from the surrounding area of the R.E. Pierson Quarry and Rheems Elementary School voiced concerns regarding air quality, storm water runoff, noise, and blasting which would impact the rural character of the area. The Board replied they are not at the point of making a decision. It was suggested that the group draft a letter accompanied by concerned citizens’ signatures addressed and sent certified mail to R.E. Pierson Company.
 - B. **Approve/Reject the reduction in the Letter of Credit (LOC) for the Masonic Village Beef Barn in the amount of \$5,100.00 with \$6,626.61 retained for the completion of the remaining items. See Hanover Engineering letter dated September 20, 2013.** Supervisor Horne motioned to approve the Letter of Credit reduction. Supervisor Yoder seconded and motion carried.
 - C. **Approve/Reject the Highway Occupancy Permit Plan for the North Market Street/Zeager Road project, D.C. Gohn Associates, Inc. See Hanover Engineering letter dated September 5, 2013.** Todd Smeigh with D.C. Gohn Associates was present to explain the plan. Supervisor Yoder motioned to approve numbers 1a.-d., 2, and 3 contingent upon all complying with comments provided by Hanover Engineering. Supervisor Horne seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 1. Modifications Requested
 - a. Section 192.20.F – Downstream Property Notification
 - b. Section 190.20.M – Peak Rate Discharge
 - c. Section 190-23.H – Minimum Pipe Diameter
 - d. Section 190-23.V – Perpendicular Storm Sewer Crossing
 2. Approve the amount for escrow for Zeager Road construction with Engineer’s approval.

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3. Conditional Plan approval per Hanover Engineering letter and comments of Solicitor.
- D. **Approve/Reject the Storm Water Management Agreement and Declaration of Easement for the Conoy Brethren in Christ Church with signature for recording.** Township Manager Oldham noted that the agreement is before the Supervisors for signing. Supervisor Garber motioned to approve the agreement. Supervisor Horne seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- E. **Approve/Reject Extension of Time of 120 days for Stoney Brook Phase 1B.** Attorney Jack Smith and Bob Gruber were present. Supervisor Horne motioned to approve the extension of time. Supervisor Yoder seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- F. **Oldham suggests Solicitor Cleary prepare a Holding Tank Ordinance and an Ordinance to Amend the Code for the 537 Plan.** Supervisor Garber motioned to prepare the ordinances. Supervisor Horne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

VIII. Discussion Items

- A. **Stoney Brook Phase 1B – Questions from Developer** – Attorney Jack Smith and Bob Gruber discussed the questions concerning the park at Stoney Brook. Attorney Smith requested the widening of West Ridge Road be done in the next phase. The Board consented. This park will be owned by the Township and the Homeowner's Association will maintain the trails.
- B. **Shredding and Covered Device Event – 2.1 tons was shredded at the event. A box truck was mostly filled with the devices. We want to provide television recycling next year. We collected 22 boxes of food for the Conoy BIC food bank (almost double from last year).** – Township Manager Oldham noted the results of this event. He mentioned considering the event next year with Mount Joy Township and Elizabethtown Borough.
- C. **ERSA Lease for 2014.** – Township Manager Oldham noted that the Township is paying ERSA's sewer bill and recommended updating the lease by adding \$100 per month to help cover costs. The Board was in agreement.
- D. **Heisey Quarry Road – Response from Solicitor.** – Solicitor Cleary did not recommend that the Township be responsible for sharing the cost of the road repairs as the area of roadway is private.
- E. **Newsletter Costs.** – Township Manager Oldham reviewed the cost of the newsletter. More information is needed to keep the newsletter in print.
- F. **Generator at Municipal Building.** – Township Manager Oldham noted the generator is not working. Repair costs are being considered to make the generator operable.
- G. **Worker's Compensation Insurance.** – Township Manager Oldham noted that a week ago the Worker's Compensation coverage was cancelled. A reinstatement has been issued. It is imperative that the Township form a Safety Committee. Further discussion will continue.
- H. **Herbert Jr. & Kelly Henderson – 111 Bullrush Landing, Victoria's Pond Homeowners Association Petition.** – The gate to the pool has been secured. Mrs. Henderson has not responded to the Township's phone calls. The Township Manager and the Board will pursue placing a lien against the property for the necessary exterior clean up.
- I. **Township Manager Oldham requested a stop sign study be considered for the corner of Freys Road and Chestnut Run Road.** -- Chief Mayberry will check out this location.
- J. **Scott Albert Letter and Robert Shenk Property in Rheems.** – Township Manager Oldham noted that the attorney is asking for an additional 30 days to transfer the property to his son, Hayden Shenk. The Board agreed to this extension.
- K. **Budget.** – The budget was discussed and will continue into November.


IX. **Correspondence** – Correspondence was presented to the Board.

X. **Executive Session** – There was none.

XI. **Bills Payable** – Supervisor Yoder motioned to pay the bills. Supervisor Hilsher seconded. Motion carried.

XII. **Adjourn** – Supervisor Garber motioned to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 pm. Supervisor Yoder seconded. Motion carried.

Submitted by:


Naney Garber
Secretary/Treasurer