

VALLEY TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS' MINUTES
September 9, 2015

Attendance:

Vice-Chairman Walt Rupert, Supervisor/Secretary Judy Achy, Zoning Officer, Mike Kull & Solicitor Attorney Robert Buehner. Public was represented by Matt Gum, David Fox, Ed and Mary Sudo, Barbara Osenkarski, Joe Harvey & Danville News Reporter, Karen Blackledge.

Call to Order:

Vice-Chairman Walt Rupert called the meeting to order @ 7:00 p.m. with all in attendance reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve the minutes of August 12 made by Walt, 2nd by Judy and motion approved.

Citizens' Comments: There was concern shared by the Sudos regarding the Hess Hill Rd being overgrown as well as off of 642 onto Spike Blue Road. Walt reassured them that because our road crew was on some badly needed vacation this week, mowing would be a priority beginning next week upon their return.

Reports:

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Fire Department –Chief Mike Kull reported that there were 11 incidents which included 7 MVA, 1 gas leak, 1 passenger vehicle fire, 1 trash fire contained and 1 smoke detector activation, no fire

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Planning Commission – Mike reported that there was no real business conducted at the Planning Commission Meeting of 9/2/15.

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Solicitor – Bob Buehner reported that on the proposed Nuisance Ordinance, especially dealing with junk automobiles, he is looking into any law issues which may come up simply because a vehicle may not be registered. He needs to better define and be certain of the law which may indicate a switch from a criminal penalty to a civil penalty. He and Mike Kull, Zoning Officer, will be meeting once again before we are ready to advertise the Nuisance Ordinance.

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Zoning Officer – Mike reported that there was a report of an advertisement on a car “we do metal roofs” that he took care of sending along its way.

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Municipal Authority – Bob Buehner reported that the pipe line project is moving full speed ahead. It appears that all of the digging project has been completed. He will be more certain of a completion date following the Municipal Authority Meeting on 9/21.

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Road Foreman/Equipment Report – Walt reported that McCracken Road is 98% completed. The berms are in and HRI will be coming next week to shoot the oil. Judy reported that she has heard only positive comments regarding McCracken Road and also wanted to note that the additional paving at the end of her driveway is being paid by the Achy's directly to HRI.

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SEO – No word from Jim Sanders.

New Business:

Judy reported that there has been a request from the Danville Area Little League for a donation. He suggested that instead of offering a monetary donation, in-kind work will be offered to them. Walt also reported that the Danville School District offered playground equipment, in great shape, to Sunnybrook Park.

Joe Harvey attended tonight's meeting regarding his property along McCracken Road. At this point he has no land plan and does not know if he will level or fill in the area. Their engineer, Mid-Penn will be submitting a land plan. Mr. Harvey indicated that there is nothing there but he is still utilizing the land with parking equipment and piles of millings on the land. His conditional use agreement will expire on 10-8-15. Mr. Harvey asked if the township was going to accept his very generous offer of \$20,000 in millings (estimated value @ meeting of 8/12 was that the "gift" could range from \$2750 to \$3000), and Walt said to him that the township did not want to take their equipment onto private property; hence Mr. Harvey indicated he would take care of getting rid of the piles on his property. Walt told him that the township was thankful for his offer but would not be accepting of his gift. Walt also told Mr. Harvey that his equipment needed to be moved back from the township right-of-way. Mr. Harvey also told the Board that he was aware of brownish material (sewage) being dumped without their knowledge and they have been in touch with the folks that did the dumping and that, too, will be cleaned up.

Approval of Bills: Motion by Judy, 2nd by Walt to pay the bills and motion passed.

Adjournment:

Motion by Judy to adjourn @ 7:35, 2nd by Walt and motion passed...

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Achy, Valley Township Supervisor/Secretary