

VALLEY TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS MINUTES

June 10, 2009

Attendance:

Vice-Chair Mike Kull, Supervisor/Secretary Judy Achy, Solicitor Tom Leipold, Road Foreman Frank Lehman, Engineer Paul Krizan and Zoning Officer George Plafcan. The public was represented by Walter Rupert, Bob Daily, Bob Paul, Steve Traub and Wayne Hildebrand.

Call to Order:

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

Approval of Minutes:

Motion by Judy, 2nd by to approve the minutes of May 27, 2009 with an exception of the date to be 5/27 instead of 5/20 as well as the financial report dated 6-10-09 and motion passed unanimously.

Citizens' Comments:

Bob Rebuck and Deb Pruitt came back to the Supervisors Meeting this evening in the hopes that our solicitor, Tom Leipold, would have such advice for them regarding their ongoing situation with their neighbors. Bob indicated that the dog situation has improved but now it appears as though their neighbors are now intent on harassment of them. Tom told them that the problem is that the legal system does not deal well with irrational people. Tom also told them to call the police immediately if the situation turns threatening. Bob reports that their problems continue to escalate and the neighbors conduct is getting to the point of a feel of harassment or overt action. George suggested that they should try to videotape these actions. Judy asked Tom about the possibility of Valley Township looking at a generic nuisance ordinance. Mike does not feel we should consider enactment of a nuisance ordinance as it can be problematic such as how do you pick and choose what kind of noise is a "nuisance". He feels as development and pressures increase for regulation, then a nuisance ordinance may be necessary.

Bob Paul came to the meeting with a concern regarding his 33 foot driveway this is used by four other homes besides his own. There was to be a maintenance and upkeep agreement between all of these parties but unfortunately Mr. Paul is basically taking care of the entire bill in addition to insuring the driveway. Tom Leipold suggested to him that this is a civil contract issue and he should really get an attorney and take the homeowners to court. Unfortunately this too will cost Mr. Paul but there is nothing that any municipality can do to correct this situation for Mr. Paul. The other homeowners include Myers, Smith, Vincent and Sudol.

Reports:

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Fire Department: Nothing to report per Mike.

(2)

Planning Committee: Nothing to report.

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Solicitor: Nothing to add other than the situations already reported on.

(4)

Zoning Officer: George Plafcan commented that he has a great many calls regarding the armory and the fact that our web site is down, ordinances are not readily available.

(5)

Municipal Authority: Judy dispensed copies of their last meeting and she told the Board that our engineer, Paul Krizan will be in attendance at our next Board Meeting on June 10 as well as the Municipal Authority. Paul reported that the 537 is ready to go to DEP.

(6)

Road Foreman/Equipment Report: Frank not in attendance at tonight's meeting.

(7)

Sewage Enforcement Officer: Bill not in attendance at tonight's meeting.

Old Business: None

New Business:

(1)

Judy reported that a new web site was licensed under valleytownship.us for 2 yrs @ \$185.75. Chris Apple (394-2491) attended tonight's meeting and he would be happy to go forward to get up web site up and running. According to Bill Dickerson, we have the domain registered for ten years. Judy gave all of her web information to Chris and he will try to contact Michael Powers to obtain all of the necessary information.

(2)

All of the gutters are bad and coming down and Judy will contact Andy Hovey to see about seamless gutters and if the quote is \$4000 or less, we can go forward without obtaining quotes.

(3)

Bids were requested for a portion of Indian Run Road and the paving results were as follows:

<u>Company:</u>	<u>Quote:</u>
Barletta	\$52,620
Eastern	\$46,970 (lowest bidder and awarded the bid)
HRI	\$49,420
Robert C. Young	\$51,868.50

Motion by Judy, 2nd by Gary to accept the lowest Bid from Eastern and motion carried unanimously.

(4)

Bruce is having problems with the office computer and permission was given to him to go to Better Business Solutions and purchase a new computer (less than \$1000).

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

Adjournment: Motion by Mike, 2nd by Judy for adjournment @ 8:30 & motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Achy
Valley Township Supervisor/Secretary