

VALLEY TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS' MINUTES
August 14, 2013

Attendance:

Co-chairman Walt Rupert, Supervisor/Secretary Judy Achy and Solicitor Robert Buehner. Public was represented by Mike Kull, Valley Township Fire Chief, John Fenstermacher, Matt Ladouca & son and Danville News Reporter, Karen Blackledge.

Call to Order:

Co-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 July 10, 2013 made by Judy, 2nd by Walt and motion approved unanimously.

Citizens' Comments: Matt Ladouca was present at the meeting tonight regarding a letter that he received from Robert Buehner, Valley Township Solicitor as well as Municipal Authority Solicitor. Mr. Ladouca was told that the letter he received from the solicitor was basically a matter for the Municipal Authority and not the Supervisors as it had to do with possible hook-ups to the township sewer. Mr. Ladouca will attend the Municipal Authority Meeting on Monday, August 19 to be certain his concerns are addressed.

Reports:

(1)

Fire Department –Mike Kull reported that the financial records for 2012 are currently at the auditor and should be returned prior to the next township meeting which he will then share with the supervisors. The Montour County Fire Department summer Safety Camp for Kids is currently being held at the Front Street School District and it appears that all is going quite well with the camp.

(2)

Planning Commission – Wayne Hildebrand representing the Klein Family Trust presented a subdivision with residual of 104 acres. Fees were paid and application submitted with the plan. The subdivision was approved through the Planning Commission. A DEP sewage module was signed and returned to be reviewed by DEP and Supervisor approval will not be given until the module is approved.

Neil Martz has property along Bogart Road but contains only 0.8 acres. This property is zoned R1 and requires a minimum of 1 acre to be built on. No action taken.

Jim Degreen wanted information of the process and cost of a zoning change for property along McCracken Road and a portion south of I-80. The zoning change would be R1 to C2. Jim has tentative buyers for the ground. The cost to request a zoning change is \$500. No action taken.

(3)

Solicitor – Mr. Buehner gave an update to the supervisors from the Danville Municipal Authority regarding the proposed agreement to connect to the sewer line. He reported on the fact that Danville will be doing a 5 million dollar expansion to include a 42 inch pipe and Bob has grave concerns about the cost to our municipality if we should sign the agreement even though the expansion has nothing to do with Valley Township. He will discuss this situation with the Municipal Authority on Monday, 8/19.

(4)

Zoning Officer – We are still in search of a Zoning Officer. The Building Inspection Underwriters' Work has been taken over by the Montour County COG.

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Municipal Authority – Minutes from their last meeting were dispersed to the supervisors.

(6)

Road Foreman/Equipment Report – Walt reported that the base repairs to Meadowbrook are being done now and by next week, HRI should probably be doing the paving. There was repair done on McCracken Road at the end of Indian Run Road which included drainage. Bogart Road will be closed the week of September 10 so that the work which includes elevating this section of Bogart Road and piping at the intersection with Church Road can be completed. This work is being done by the PA Dirt and Gravel Roads Program. Mike Kull asked Walt to notify the Communications Center whenever we may be aware of a road closure even if it would only be during the daytime hours.

(7)

SEO – No word from Jim Sanders.

New Business:

Walt reported that the M&W Building is weather tight now after having new doors installed by Glick Associates. Mike Kull reported that an annual report is necessary on this site because of it being a Tier 2 facility and Walt will check with Brian and Gear Engineers about the availability of this report.

Approval of Bills:

Motion to pay the bills made by Judy, 2nd by Walt and motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment:

Motion by Judy to adjourn @ 7:50, 2nd by Walt and motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Achy
Valley Township Supervisor/Secretary