

**VALLEY TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS' MINUTES**

*August 26, 2009*

**Attendance:**

Chairman Gary Derr, Vice-Chair Mike Kull, Supervisor/Secretary Judy Achy, Solicitor Tom Leipold, SEO Bill Toth & Zoning Officer, George Plafcan. Public was represented by Paul Cope, Bonnie Edmeads, Robert Paul, Wilbur Kelly and Karen Blackledge from the Danville News.

**Call to Order:**

Chairman Derr 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 Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Judy and motion passed unanimously together with the financial report dated August 26, 2009.*

**Citizens' Comments:**

Both Paul Cope and Bonnie Edmeads came to the township with a concern about the condition of the LaDouca properties, one on McCracken Road and the other on 642. Paul commented that the condition of this property would be in much worse shape if the neighbor had not been mowing it but he feels there is a great influx of skunks and groundhogs that are being drawn to this area because of the "mess" @ LaDouca's. Bonnie Edmeads indicated that she felt it was a crime the way the weeds have grown up to the windows @ the LaDouca property on 642. She indicated that she feels so very sorry for the next door neighbors, the Hittles, because they have always kept their property in such immaculate shape. Unfortunately, we do not have an ordinance in place that would find him in violation but our zoning officer, George Plafcan, has been asked to speak with him when he gets back (our understanding is that he is currently in Italy). These could be both health and safety issues. At this point, Mike Kull (as the Township Fire Department Chief) asked Tom Leipold where things would stand with a violation for burning against LaDouca as apparently several weeks prior, he had an uncontrolled burn @ his property @ McCracken Road. There was no one in attendance and no water supply readily available. Tom indicated that some burning offenses are civil and some criminal. If the violation is not health related, it is civil and if it is health related, the violation would be issued through the district magistrate's office (Marvin Shrawder).

**Reports:**

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Fire Department – Mike had no issues to report.

(2)

Planning Commission – Planning Commission has not met since our last meeting.

(3)

Solicitor – Tom Leipold he had nothing to report on other than the fact that he will be @ our second meeting of September instead of his routinely scheduled 1<sup>st</sup> meeting.

(4)

Zoning Officer – Nothing to report.

(5)

Municipal Authority – Tom Leipold reported on their last meeting. He indicated that Paul Krizan has been in touch with DEP requesting that the ban be lifted. Since repairs have been made, our system has dropped way below capacity. The plant is operating @ only 40% capacity. Judy reported that there is a Regional Summit on Wednesday, September 2 @ 10:30 @ the Danville Elks and she will be in attendance.

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Frank reported that Artley Road has been tarred and chipped.

(7)

Bill Toth reported that there is a completed package for the SEO for the storm water infrastructure for the Temple being proposed on 642. Bill also reported that he has had multiple contacts with Jim Stein via email for the Component III Module that must be completed for the site of the new Armory. As yet this has not been completed.

**Old Business:**

Pat Campbell had come to the last township meeting regarding her concern with the water runoff @ her home in Valley Green. Gary reported that it appears that the swale is not being kept up. Gary also indicated that there is an issue @ the Elijah Evans' property as his runoff has been rerouted to his neighbors. Gary had spoken with Denny Strouse and Judy got in touch with Larson Design and they are checking into this.

**New Business:**

A request has been made to put a *watch children* sign on Indian Run Road and ***motion by Judy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gary to go forward with the sign and motion passed.***

Sunnybrook Park notified the supervisors that they are extending the fence back from the pool area. Also Judy reported that we will be losing our volunteers for the recycling at the end of November. John & Kay Jaramillo have been very generous volunteering their time for a year and a half.

**Approval of Bills:**

***Motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Judy to pay the bills and motion carried unanimously.***

**Adjournment:**

***Motion to adjourn made by Mike @ 8:15, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Judy and motion carried unanimously.***

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Achy  
Valley Township Supervisor/Secretary