

VALLEY TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS' MINUTES
March 25, 2015

Attendance:

Chairman Gary Derr, Vice-Chairman Walt Rupert, Supervisor/Secretary Judy Achy, Zoning Officer Mike Kull & Att. Angela Mattis. Public was represented by David Fox, Joe Harvey, Jim Degreen, Ernie Wright & Danville News Reporter, Karen Blackledge.

Call to Order:

Chairman Gary 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 February 11, 2015 made by Walt, 2nd by Judy and motion approved unanimously.

Citizens' Comments: None offered.

Reports:

(1)

Fire Department – Chief Mike Kull reported that there were 41 calls to date as of this year but did not have a monthly report.

(2)

Planning Commission – Planning Commission met on 3/4/15 and Joe Harvey from Key Trucking had presented a sketch plan from the prior meeting with a few alterations. The building will be approximately 100,000 square feet with an office area and garage space for a majority of their vehicles. A driveway permit has been issued and Mr. Harvey estimated approximately 20 new jobs to the township in the future with this expansion. The committee approved the conditional use application for a trucking terminal which was forwarded onto the supervisors with their review.

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Solicitor – Angela Mattis attended in place of Bob Buehner and she indicated that she had nothing further to report.

(4)

Zoning Officer – Mike Kull reported that there was a permit for a new home on Kaseville Road. The contractor's sign is currently 4x8 in size and Mike will be in touch with them to notify them that their sign is too large for Valley Township's Ordinance.

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Municipal Authority – Nothing new from Municipal Authority other than she is dealing with an issue with Tour World for the Authority.

(6)

Road Foreman/Equipment Report – Gary Derr reported that the drag chain broke on one of the hoppers. They have been doing some repair work on the snow plow which required additional welding. When they have not been plowing snow, they have been sweeping cinders from some of the roadways. There is definitely cold patching to do when the weather warms somewhat. Gary and his team have been working at rebuilding one of the township trucks saving the township \$40,000 as the truck is in great

mechanical condition but the body of the truck is shot and would not meet inspection with the condition of the body. Gary & Walt will meet with Wayne from Recon Re: McCracken Rd. tomorrow morning (Thursday, 3/26/15).

(7)

SEO – There has been no word from Jim Sanders but Judy will get in touch with him again regarding 5 Columbia Hill Road as the raw sewage continues to be an issue there. Sunnybrook Park has granted the homeowner an easement but it is only good through the second week of April.

Old Business or New Business:

Regarding the Public Hearing held @ 6:30 this evening prior to the Supervisors Meeting regarding Joe Harvey's request for a proposed conditional use for a transportation terminal at 180 McCracken Road, hopefully the decision will be made at the next scheduled Supervisors Meeting on April 8 even though they have 45 days to act on this request. Some conditions will be put into place and this will be filed at the Montour County Courthouse together with the property deed.

Motion made by Walt, 2nd by Judy to donate \$250 to the Danville Fire Police and motion carried unanimously. Judy will notify Bruce to make this a routine line item on the budget as well as to add this to our Organizational Meeting agenda.

There will be a Montour County Tire Turn-In Program to be held in Valley Township on June 6.

Valley Township's Dumpster Day will be on Saturday, May 9th between 8 and 12:00 at the old M&W Site on Old School Road down from McDonald's. Any small items need to be placed in a disposable container. The township has the right to reject any small items not placed in a disposable container. Only car or light truck tires will be accepted at a cost of \$3.00 and any Freon appliances will be accepted with a \$15 charge. Limit of 2 pick-up trucks per household.

Recycling issues – Walt reported on the county wide recycling containers placed at the Valley Township Municipal Building. We are now up to six containers and if the dumpsters are full, residents should absolutely not leave any recyclables outside of the containers. If it does not rectify itself, there will be restrictions per the county commissioners. Mike reported that DC&R will be delivering a kiosk for posting of Smokey Bear Poster as well as debris burning postings and we would also be able to post recycling information there as well. There was discussion of having a container only for cardboard and this will be further discussed.

Tar & chipping issues were discussed. Gary will ask Barry Garverick to work up the advertisement. Bull Run Road will be done from end to end & this will be the primary bid. Depending on cost, upper section of Klein Rd. & a portion of Old Furnace Rd. will be considered. Advertisement will be placed requesting bids for the May meeting.

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

Adjournment:

Motion by Judy to adjourn @ 8:00, 2nd by Judy and motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Achy
Valley Township Supervisor/Secretary