

VALLEY TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

August 8, 2012

Attendance:

Chairman Gary Derr, Co-chairman Walt Rupert, Supervisor/Secretary Judy Achy, Solicitor Robert Buehner, Road Foreman, Frank Lehman, Fire Chief, Michael Kull and Zoning Officer, George Plafcan. Public was represented by John Fenstermacher and 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 July 11, 2012 made by Judy, 2nd by Walt and motion approved unanimously.

Citizens' Comments: None

Reports:

(1)

Fire Department – The supervisors received an activity report from Mike Kull, Chief of the Valley Township Fire Department noting that they have had 13 incidents throughout the month of July, 2012 to include motor vehicle accidents with injuries. Mike, as fire chief, also took care of the annual NIMS report. There was discussion of who should be called for downed trees and Mike reported that the fire company does not mind doing it but Gary was reluctant to add to the fire company's duties by always having to take care of downed trees. More than likely this will be a shared endeavor in the future as it has been thus far. Mike and Walt will sit down at a future date to discuss the pros and cons of billing issues.

(2)

Planning Commission – At the Planning Commission Meeting on August 1, Wayne Hildebrand presented a subdivision plan for Larue & Patricia Shultz and Kevin Williams. The front setback was only 30' and the required setback for R-1 is 50' so the plans were tabled until the correction is made. A preliminary plan was submitted by Richard Parsons Land Associates for Edward and Cheryl Pulsifer. Lot 1 contains 26 AC and is zoned industrial. The remaining lot is labeled residual with no acreage. After review, the commission would request the acreage of the residual be placed on the plan and if a right-of-way would need to be indicated on the plans or is there another access road available to the property. Scott was going to contact the surveyor and report the findings of the commission to him.

(3)

Solicitor – Mr. Robert Buehner reported that he sent letters to the owners of the Cloverleaf and the Hilltop requesting their adherence to hooking onto the sewer. Mr. Robinson, owner of the Cloverleaf, had called Mr. Buehner and told him that he went ahead and contacted an engineer to lay the groundwork. He was grateful for the notice

from Mr. Buehner as he was not aware the moratorium had been lifted. Mr. Buehner also spoke with Mr. Dressler, owner of the Hilltop Inn, and he reported that he has already done a lot of the engineering work but has downsized his plans because of the dip in the economy. Mr. Buehner assured him that the township would be working with him until he has his plans finalized. He had previously paid for his EDU's.

Mr. Buehner also reported that the road work done at Charlene was excellent and he also indicated that Frank and Gary did outstanding work. Bob also shared a concern about Meadowbrook Road and the fact that it is posted at 35 and questioned if it should be lowered. He also had the same concern for Cherokee Road.

(4)

Zoning Officer – George Plafcan reported that a representative (Dr. Srivastava) of the Hindu Temple presented plans to him recently and George said he told Dr. Srivastava that he would need an architectural drawing of which he would need to get this from an engineer, as well as information regarding the septic system and parking spaces. These plans should be submitted in their entirety to the Planning Commission.

(5)

Municipal Authority – Judy dispensed copies of the previous meeting minutes.

(6)

Road Foreman/Equipment Report – Frank Lehman reported that they have been replacing piping, tree cleanup and building road shoulders. They do now have a gentleman helping with the mowing. Judy reported that a private citizen has been doing much of the mowing along McCracken Road and wanted to publicly thank this good citizen.

(7)

SEO – Nothing to report from Jim Sanders. Judy will follow up with him on a request that was sent to him on August 3 regarding a complaint of “gray water” from 5 Columbia Hill Road.

Old Business:

Walt Rupert reported that the locks have now been changed @ the MV site.

New Business:

Walt wanted to thank the Sunnybrook Board for offering the seasonal pass to the supervisors.

Approval of Bills:

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

Adjournment:

Motion by Judy to adjourn @ 8:05, 2nd by Gary and motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Achy
Valley Township Supervisor/Secretary