

**VALLEY TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS' MINUTES**

*July 11, 2018*

**Attendance:**

Chairman Gary Derr, Vice-Chairman Walt Rupert, Supervisor Mike Kull, Solicitor Bob Buehner, Zoning Officer Fred Shappell & Secretary, Judy Achy. Public was represented by David Fox, John Fenstermacher, Jon Wetzel, Mark Satteson of Fine Line Homes, John Kerschner of Fine Line Homes, Bill Swanick, HRG, Inc. and Karen Blackledge of the Danville News.

**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 June 13, 2018 as well as the financial statement made by Walt, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gary and motion approved unanimously.***

**Citizens' Comments:** John Fenstermacher asked about having surveillance cameras placed @ the Valley Township Recycling Center and Walt reported that it is being considered in view of the rubbish accumulation @ the site.

Fine Line Home representation was at tonight's meeting to request that a waiver would be granted from the Supervisors for tree planting and wanted to leave that up to the homeowner. They are also asking the Valley Township Supervisors to take over their road once constructed. They reported that there will be 24 lot subdivided on 41 acres with access through Meadowbrook which will be single family homes and open space toward the creek which will have private wells and public sewer. There was a lengthy discussion about the request from Fine Line Homes representatives that the township accept a deed of dedication for the interior roadway within the development. Individual supervisors expressed their respective concerns about accepting such a deed of dedication although no formal action was taken by the Board on this request. A representative of Fine Line Homes threatened litigation against the township if it did not accept such a deed. Solicitor Buehner responded that the Township would not be badgered by that comment. The supervisors suggested to Fine Line Homes that they should discuss the possibility of creating a home owners association to oversee the maintenance and upkeep of the road as well as to maintain the swales and holding basins in connection with the proposed Storm Water Management requirements. ***Motion by Walt, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to table any further action and/or decision on the proposed Subdivision until the next Supervisors' Meeting on August 8, 2018 and motion carried unanimously.***

**Reports:**

(1)

Fire Department –Chief Mike Kull reported that there were 12 incidents during the month of June with 10 MVA's and 2 passenger vehicle fires.

(2)

Planning Commission – At the Planning Commission Meeting on July 10 and Bill Swanick from HGR presented the response from McTish-Kunkel dated 7/6/18 to the resolution of the issues presented in review dated 6/4/18. The majority of the issues have been resolved or will be in a condition of final plan approval. The request for a waiver of the street tree planting requirement was approved due to a large portion of the existing property being wooded. The Planning Commission also were in favor of the waiver for the cul-de-sac length due to the developer will provide a 32' cartway that will resolve emergency vehicle concerns. The plan was given conditional approval until final approval can be granted after all of the stormwater issues have been ironed out amongst the engineers and NPDES permit has not yet been granted.

(3)

Solicitor – Bob Buehner reported that because Suez Water is acquiring Mahoning Water and Sewer, their authority and the PUC is requiring a letter from Valley Township to state that it is consistent with the Valley Township Comprehensive Plan and ***motion by Walt, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike for Bob to draft this letter and send and motion passed unanimously.***

(4)

Zoning Officer – Zoning Officer Fred Shappell reported that he granted 1 permit for a porch and there are two others pending including one for a new home off Meadowbrook and the other for a swimming pool on Valley West Road. Fred reported that he would not be available for the August Supervisors Meeting due to his son's wedding.

(5)

Municipal Authority – Bob reported that the Municipal Authority had a very cordial meeting with the Danville Municipal Authority. He also reported that there are new regulations dealing with chlorination of public water due to the fact that chlorination tends to dissipate in long lines.

(6)

Road Foreman/Equipment Report – Gary Derr reported that both Welliver and Gearhart Roads were oiled. ***Motion from Gary to award the Seal Coat Bid to Hammaker as the lowest bid of \$68,602.38 with the only other bid of \$77,823.61 from Midland Asphalt, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Walt and motion carried unanimously.***

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SEO –No word from SEO.

**Old Business:** Judy asked where we stand on Dumpster Day for 2019 as Gary indicated he was not certain we should go forward and continue to offer this service. After discussion, decision was made to go forward with it with many more restrictions in order to alleviate some of the abuse & Judy will contact Heaps to second 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday in May.

**New Business:** A request for monetary help for the recycling program was received by Valley Township from the Montour County Commissioners. Bob indicated that other townships (Derry, Limestone) agreed to consider this when putting together their 2019 budgets. Valley Township has the largest pick-up center and the supervisors felt that the Valley Township Residents do their part in donating spacing for the 10 bins plus the time and equipment that the road crew donates in order to take care of the rubbish. Walt will contact Dan Hartman.

Bob Buehner reported on a letter that has been received from DEP indicating that Valley Township and their engineers missed a deadline of presenting plans to DEP for a waiver of the MS4 Stormwater Discharge. This was originally started by Larson Design (prior to HRG being named the township engineer beginning in January 2017) and HRG felt fairly certain that even though DEP denied this waiver initially, it would finally receive approval. Bob will be reviewing this and if this is not acted upon in a timely fashion, Valley Township will be penalized \$50 daily penalty. This must all be finalized by 10/31/18.

**Approval of Bills:** *Motion by Walt to pay the bills, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike and motion passed unanimously.*

**Adjournment:**

*Motion by Walt to adjourn @ 8:45, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gary and motion passed unanimously.*

Respectfully submitted,  
Judy Achy, Valley Township Secretary