

CONEWAGO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
FEBRUARY 4, 2008

The meeting of the Board of Supervisors was held at the Township Municipal Building. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, at 7:00 P. M. Those in attendance were Lois Leonard (Chairperson), Mark Jordan (Vice-Chairman), Robert Hahn (Supervisor), John Baranski (Solicitor), Jeff Shue (Engineer) and Lou Anne Bostic, (Secretary).

Pledge of Allegiance:

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Mr. Jordan, second by Mr. Hahn, unanimously carried, to approve the agenda as prepared.

Minutes: Motion by Mr. Jordan, second by Mr. Hahn, unanimously carried, to approve the previous meeting minutes.

-RECOGNITION OF PUBLIC REQUESTS:

-Jeff Freeze, 1615 Canal Road Extended. Mr. Freeze registered a complaint regarding a township public works driver. Mr. Freeze claims that his car was damaged from the material being applied during the ice conditions last Friday night. He attempted to stop the driver, but the driver would not stop. He contacted NYCRPD regarding the matter and was told to contact the township. The board informed him that they will look into the matter.

-Carl Fidler, 150 E. Butter Road stated that he was here for the January Zoning Hearing Board meeting, and the meeting was cancelled without any notice posted on the door. Mr. Fidler also requested information regarding the township's soliciting ordinance with regard to flyers that were recently posted around the township. The manager informed the board that the soliciting ordinance only regulates the sale of goods.

-Phil Figdore, 475 Jug Road requested that the township's web site be updated to include the following:

-Draft copy of all minutes be posted.

-Public notices be posted.

-Comments regarding the comprehensive plan be posted. Two of the board members were not in favor of posting private comments on the site but will post the planning commission comments and any comments received from YCPC, Northeastern School District or the surrounding municipalities.

-Mr. Figdore also asked if the large files can be broken down into smaller files. The webmaster will be contacted.

Spots, Stevens and McCoy representatives were invited to attend the meeting to explain the process that has created the comprehensive plan to date. Pam Shellenberger from The York County Planning Commission was also present. Mr. Hahn feels that the township has not followed proper procedures regarding the creation of the plan. Spots, Stevens and McCoy representatives, Pam Shellenberger and the township solicitor explained that the MPC requirements have been followed and the plan has been created with public, planning commission and supervisor input. A question and answer period was held between Mr. Hahn and the SSM representatives. The comprehensive plan will next be reviewed by the supervisors to look at the Conewago Township Planning Commissions recommendations and then be submitted to the county for their review. The Public Hearing (s) for the comp plan will be held at a later date.

-PUBLIC HEARING, ORDINANCE 309 to rezone the property at 5580 Susquehanna Trail has been tabled until March 3, 2008.

PLANNING & ZONING:

--Hughes/Keyton waiver requests were presented by Zane Williams of Gordon L. Brown.

Section 406.18 Contours at 2' intervals. Motion by Mr. Jordan, second by Mr. Hahn, motion carried, to approve the waiver request.

Section 505.d Existing frontage along a street of improper travel way width. No additional building lots are being created. Motion by Mr. Jordan, second by Mr. Hahn, motion carried, to approve the waiver request.

Hughes/Keyton Final Subdivision Plan- All conditions have been addressed. Motion by Mr. Hahn, second by Mr. Jordan, motion carried, to approve the final subdivision plan.

-Hollerbush, Pearl waiver requests were presented by Dave Hoffman:
Section 409.a.9 Natural features adjacent to the site. Motion by Mr. Jordan, second by Mr. Hahn, motion carried, to approve the waiver request.

Section 505.d Existing frontage along a street of improper travel way width. No additional building lots are being created. Motion by Mr. Hahn, second by Mr. Jordan, motion carried, to approve the waiver request.

Section 518 Recreational fee waiver. No additional building lots are being created. Motion by Mr. Jordan, second by Ms. Leonard, motion carried, to approve the waiver request. Mr. Hahn voted in opposition.

Hollerbush, Pearl Final Subdivision Plan. All comments have been addressed. Motion by Mr. Jordan, second by Mr. Hahn, motion carried, to approve the final subdivision plan.

The following reports were distributed to the Supervisors:
Treasurer's Report, Road Report, Sewer Report, YATB Report and the Building Permit Report.

- SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

-Attorney Baranski reported that he has an ordinance for the adoption of traffic control signs for Millcreek Road. The manager will advertise for action at the next board meeting. The board also authorized the solicitor to draft a loitering ordinance for review at the next meeting. Mr. Hahn asked the solicitor if the loitering matter would be covered by the Homeowner Association. John informed him that the township loitering ordinance would cover the entire township. Mr. Hahn also asked the solicitor to take another look at the grass and vegetation ordinance as he is concerned with the enforcement of the ordinance. The board authorized the solicitor to review the ordinance.

-ENGINEER'S REPORT: Copy attached. Mr. Hahn asked the engineer to take a look at his section of Jug Road. The "turkey trucks" are causing damage to the road.

-OLD BUSINESS:

-Larry Bare resigned as township auditor. Motion by Ms. Leonard, second by Mr. Jordan. Mr. Hahn asked about Lorreta Wilhide's letter of interest. The board informed him that they received three interest letters. Motion carried.

-The public hearing for action of Ordinance to amend Ordinance 260 (sewer district) has been re-advertised for action at the March 3, 2008 meeting.

-Motion by Hahn, second by Mr. Jordan, motion carried, to authorize Pennsylvania Percs to perform the necessary repairs to the I83 signal light.

-PSATS convention. Mr. Hahn will attend the convention and act as the township's voting delegate. Mr. Hahn informed the board that he recently attended the PSATS sponsored course for new supervisors and recommends the course.

-ARD program for trash pickup along roads is still being researched by the township manager. PaDOT has been contacted and will be cleaning up litter along Canal Road. Cat litter filled bags are now being dropped on the Susquehanna Trail.

-Fuel management system bids will be opened on February 28, 2008 at 1:00 p.m. Board action is scheduled for March 3, 2008. Mr. Hahn asked if the township utilizes the COSTARS program. The manager informed him that the township checks COSTARS first for any purchase, there is no bid available under state contract for a fuel management system.

-The manager is obtaining quotes for the following work at the Zion View Community Park.

-Heating and cooling, outside lighting and fuel tank removal.

The above projects are all under the sealed bid threshold and will be awarded to the lowest bidder. Motion by Ms. Leonard, second by Mr. Jordan, motion carried, to authorize the manager to schedule the above with the lowest bidders.

-The manager continues to work on a quotes to purchase a mid-mount flail mower for the Kubota and a new dump truck. The items may be available under the COSTARS program.

NEW BUSINESS:

-The board decided that a road tour is not necessary this year. The 2008 road projects will deplete the entire road budget. Copenhaffer Road, from Butter to Bremer, will have stormwater improvements, reclaimed and a bituminous overlay installed. The intersection of Millcreek Road and Canal Road will have a turning lane installed.

- OTHER BUSINESS:

-The manager requested that the solicitor draft a decorum policy for public behavior for review by the supervisors at the next meeting.

-Mr. Hahn asked if the township has ever considered participating in the PaDOT Agility Program.

Jeff Shue informed him that the township has tried in the past and decided not to participate at that time.

-Mr. Jordan asked if all the developer commitment donations have been received to date. The manager informed him that all been received.

-Mr. Jordan asked Mr. Hahn for clarification on his published "Letter to the Editor".

-Mr. Jordan requested an executive session to discuss a possible litigation matter.

- ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Mr. Hahn, second by Mr. Jordan, motion carried, to adjourn the meeting at 8:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lou Anne Bostic