

October 10, 2012 Board of Supervisors Workshop and Other Business Meeting

The special workshop meeting of the Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Tulpehocken Township Municipal Building. Those attending the meeting were John Kintzer, Richard Kramer, Gary Deck, Kathy Boltz, Bob Sattazahn, Jake Derr, Chris Hartman, and Matt Mack.

Workshop Discussion

Driveway Ordinance – The discussion began with the driveway ordinance. It was decided to cross reference PennDOT’s standards in the driveway ordinance where pipes are concerned. It was discussed that Eugene Yenser on Greble Road inquired about paving his existing driveway with concrete. Gary Deck made a motion to include in the draft driveway ordinance the repeal of paragraph 5.6.2. John Kintzer second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote. Gary Deck made a motion to grant a waiver of enforcement of section 5.6.2 to Eugene Yenser or anyone else until the amendment is enacted. Rick Kramer second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote. Gary Deck made a motion to authorize the Township Engineer to draft a detailed sketch of maximums and minimums of construction for driveways within the right of way of the Township, the details will cover all kinds of materials used in a driveway, the sketch will be part of the driveway application. John Kintzer second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

It was also agreed to amend the driveway ordinance for repaving. Repaving does not require a permit if no change to grade, stormwater drainage, and no expansion to paved area. Paving of an existing driveway will require a permit the application will be \$20.00 and the Road Master will issue and inspect. A new driveway will require a permit the application fee will be \$55.00 and the code enforcement will issue and inspect. New and existing will have the same specs. Township Engineer will draft a permit application for existing driveways. The Township Official who will issue and inspect the existing driveways shall be appointed at reorganization meeting.

Zoning Ordinance – The Board agreed to add a sentence to the end of section 1029.01 of the Zoning Ordinance to read “Horses used primarily as the principle mode of transportation by the occupants of the property shall not count against the limitation of this section”.

Other Discussion – Gerald Martin attended the October Planning Commission meeting to discuss the possibility of building three poultry fryer houses on the proposed Gettel Acres Subdivision. This tract is 118 acres and they would plan on building the houses on the south side of the tract. The Planning Commission recommended seeking zoning relief from the Zoning Hearing Board to obtain a use variance. The Planning Commission was concerned with how this would affect the people living in the village of Rehrersburg. The Solicitor commented that the poultry barns would need a use variance and if the Board of Supervisors is in favor of the poultry barns it would be easier to change the zoning to allow the barns.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Gary Deck made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 p.m. Rick Kramer second the motion. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathy Boltz

Secretary, Tulpehocken Township