

*REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
ROSS TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS  
JANUARY 7, 2013*

*At approximately 7:15 p.m. following the reorganization meeting, the Regular Monthly Meeting of the Ross Township Supervisors began with members Chairman Beers and Vice Chairman Kresge present. Supervisor Drake was absent. Solicitor Dunn was also present.*

*Vice Chairman Kresge moved to accept the minutes of the December 3, 2012 meeting and the Treasurer's report as presented. The motion was seconded by Chairman Beers and carried.*

*OPEN TO THE PUBLIC-*

*PLANS-*

*OLD BUSINESS-Some discussion took place regarding the drainage issue with respect to Chestnut Ridge Plantation (Turkey Hill Rd.) much of which involved a development agreement. Solicitor Dunn noted that absence of an agreement an argument could be that the developer could be responsible if the drainage is not working as planned. The Township may not want to be a party to that argument but the property owners could bring action on their own behalf. Chairman Beers noted that his opinion is it will cost the Township alot of money to go after the developer. He added that we have a detention pond fund and the cost for such repair could be deducted from it. Solicitor Dunn added that the developer should be put on notice that if they don't do it the Township will do it with detention pond funds. Chairman Beers disagreed with informing the developer of where the money will come from and we should send the developer a bill. Solicitor Dunn said the developer should be notified. It was requested that the Secretary look for a development agreement and furnish same to Solicitor Dunn. Chairman Beers noted that Solicitor Dunn is to draft a letter, but, it is to be reviewed by the Supervisors before it is sent to the developer (s).*

*NEW BUSINESS-The first item on the agenda under this category was an appointment to the Planning Commission to fill the unexpired term of Peter Scarfaro who has resigned. That decision was tabled until the next meeting.*

*A motion was made to appoint David Bray to the Zoning Hearing Board for an additional term as an alternate member. The motion was made by Vice Chairman Kresge, seconded by Chairman Beers and carried.*

*Vice Chairman Kresge moved to reappoint David Shay as a regular member to the Zoning Hearing Board. The motion was seconded by Chairman Beers and carried.*

*A motion was made by Vice Chairman Kresge to adopt the revised Township Emergency*

*Management Plan recently updated with current information. The motion was seconded by Chairman Beers and carried.*

*Kirk, Summa & Co., LLC was appointed to complete the audit for 2012 on motion by Vice Charman Kresge, seconded by Chairman Beers and carried.*

*Solicitor Dunn reviewed a letter received regarding a lien the Township filed on the James Daly property. The letter states a sheriff sale is slated to pay the first lien holder (Wells Fargo Bank) if that occurs the Township's lien will be discharged.*

*As an update on the Newell sheriff's sale Chairman Beers asked where we stand with time. Solicitor Dunn noted that it's probably 8-10 months away.*

*Solicitor Dunn noted he has received photographs taken of the Newell Property needed to file a petition for an order of contempt. In addition, he will need the signatures of Vice Chairman Kresge and Supervisor Drake verifying the facts in the petition he will be filing.*

*ROAD FOREMAN REPORT- In connection with the proposed Penndot Agility Agreement, the Road Foreman noted he spoke to the Penndot Foreman who said he would get back to him.*

*Some discussion took place concerning tree trimming and the Road Foreman noted he would be trimming across from the Smith farm on Meixsell Valley Rd..*

*Chairman Beers questioned the Road Foreman about specification on the various backhoe prices he noted on his report and he indicated he has the specs for each of them.*

#### *CORRESPONDENCE-*

*RECEIPTS & EXPENDITURES-After a review of the bills to be paid a motion was made to pay the bills with the exception of the \$75.00 bill to PSAB since the webinar was cancelled. The motion was made by Vice Chairman Kresge, seconded by Chairman Beers and carried.*

*Prior to adjournment, the Supervisors decided to pay the Part time Secretary the hourly rate that the full time Secretary/Treasurer receives while she is on leave during the month of February.*

*There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:35p.m..*

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Doris Price, Secretary*

