

ROSS TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
MEETING
FEBRUARY 2, 2015

The Regular Monthly meeting of the Ross Township Supervisors was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Beers with members Vice Chairman Drake and Supervisor Kresge present. Solicitor Dunn was absent. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Drake to approve the minutes of both the organizational meeting and the regular meeting held on January 5, 2015. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Kresge and carried.

After a review of the Treasurer's report a motion was made by Supervisor Kresge to approve. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Drake and carried.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC-

PLANS-

OLD BUSINESS-With reference to an update on the solar meter installation, Chairman Beers noted a price has been received which is half of the approved cost and the meter should be installed within the next couple of days. (\$500.00)

The next item was the proposed PSATS Unemployment Compensation Ordinance which had been advertised as required. A motion was made by Vice Chairman Drake to adopt Ordinance #75 which authorizes the Township to participate in the PSATS Unemployment Comp. Group Trust Pursuant to the Pa. Intergovernmental Cooperation Law. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Kresge and carried.

Some discussion took place regarding the Primary Designation request from the West End Ambulance. Mr. Dickinson indicated that he emailed Solicitor Dunn in connection with a questions from last month. The Board decided to table the matter until next month when Solicitor Dunn will be in attendance. Some discussion took place noting that Wind Gap Ambulance moved its station.

Chairman Beers discussed the CJERP request concerning correctional facilities from last months meeting. Vice Chairman Drake noted we already have one in Ross Township and she moved to include this designation in Ross as part of the Regional Zoning. Supervisor Kresge was not in favor of including this. The motion was seconded by Chairman Beers. A roll call vote was taken on the motion. Chairman Beers and Vice Chairman Drake voted in favor and Supervisor Kresge opposed. The motion carried. The Secretary was requested to advise Matt Neeb of the CJERP group of this decision.

NEW BUSINESS- Some recommendations from the Ross Township Planning Commission were discussed and it was agreed to make the changes to 807A & 807F as outlined by the commission and stated in a letter from Russ Kresge of Gilmore and Associates. A motion was made by Vice Chairman Drake and seconded by Supervisor Kresge and carried.

The next item concerns the appointment of a Deputy Tax Collector should the Elected Tax Collector become **incapacitated (and only incapacitated)** . A motion was made to approve Judy Warner as indicated on the necessary form. The motion was made by Vice Chairman Drake, seconded by Supervisor Kresge and carried. (Chairman Beers signed the DCED form)

Vice Chairman Drake moved to place the necessary advertisements to accept bids for the construction of a new municipal building. Notices to be placed in March , bids to be opened April 6th. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Kresge and carried.

Some discussion took place regarding sign request from the Ross Township Park Committee which resulted in a sign that should say "Ross Township Memorial Playground A Place for Kids to Play, Thanks to Playworld Systems, Lewisburg, Pa. and the volunteers who made this playground a reality". All Supervisors were in favor of this language for the sign. The Secretary noted she would advise the Park Committee.

Chairman Beers discussed the procedure for submission of a planning module , its DEP approval and the signing and releasing of plans. From this time forward we will follow the policy that is within the SALDO which says "if a sewage planning module is required by DEP, the applicant shall submit 2 complete copies for Township use, plus shall submit copies of the module and plans to various agencies as required under State regulations. **A sewage planning module shall be completed and fully approved prior to final plan approval.**

Chairman Beers announced that the CJERP Public Hearing is scheduled for April 23rd at 7:00 p.m. at the West End Fire Hall, Rt. 715. He added that after the Zoning and SALDO are ready, they be forwarded to the Township Planning Commission, Monroe County Planning Commission, and any other agencies as required by the MPC. This was put into a motion by Vice Chairman Drake, seconded by Supervisor Kresge and carried.

ROAD FOREMAN REPORT-Chairman Beers suggested that Road Foreman check into prices for the cost of a new dump truck. Vice Chairman Drake concurred.

CORRESPONDENCE-

RECEIPTS & EXPENDITURES-After a review of the bills a motion was made to approve the bills to be paid. The motion was made by Vice Chairman Drake, seconded by Supervisor Kresge and carried. Some discussion arose regarding SEO administrative fees and it was determine that the Secretary poll Eldred, Polk, Chestnuthill and Jackson Townships for their policies.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m..

Respectfully submitted,

Doris Price, Secretary