ROSS TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS MONTHLY MEETING OCTOBER 7, 2013

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Ross Township Supervisors was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on October 7, 2013 at the Chestnuthill Township Municipal Building. Chairman Beers presided with Vice Chairman Kresge and Supervisor Drake present. Solicitor Dunn was also present. Chairman Beers led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The minutes of the September 3, 2013 meeting and the Treasurer's Report were reviewed and a motion was made by Supervisor Drake to approve as presented. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Kresge and carried.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC-Chairman Beers recognized Blue Ridge Hook & Ladder Fire Co. members who were present and on the agenda. Leon Clapper spoke about the reason they were present and apologized for the poor timing of the letter sent to the Board which was received about the time of the tragedy that occurred at the Township Building. Chairman Beers noted that the Supervisors will be scheduling a budget session under new business and will discuss the Fire Co. request at such session.

Mark Baylis (who requested to be on the agenda) was not present.

OLD BUSINESS-Chairman Beers stated the Outdoor Wood Burner Ordinance slated for this meeting is tabled since the necessary advertisement could not be accomplished timely because the meeting place was not established in enough time. It will be on the agenda and advertised for next month.

Chairman Beers discussed the building of a new building and stated that he has felt from the beginning that a new building should not be built and to fix-up the original building and wondered since two months have passed if either of the other Supervisors have changed their minds or had any second thoughts after learning how much it will cost. Both Vice Chairman Kresge and Supervisor Drake indicated they have not changed their thoughts.

Chairman Beers noted receipt of an email from Rep. Scavello concerning changes in the prevailing wage which involves municipalities and requested that Solicitor Dunn look into the details of the proposed legislation. Chairman Beers went on to say if a new building is built, this change could save a great percentage of money.

Supervisor Drake noted that we should move forward with a surveyor to do the necessary plotting of the land for the building location.

NEW BUSINESS-A proposal was received from Royal Security to do some additional

security work and a motion was made by Supervisor Drake, seconded by Vice Chairman Kresge to approve this proposal. The motion carried.

The WEPOSC budget was reviewed and a motion was made by Supervisor Drake, seconded by Vice Chairman Kresge to approve this 2014 budget. The motion carried. Bernie Kozen, Executive Director of WEPOSC discussed some of the Ross Township park activities that are proposed which are the pet parade, and the tree lighting ceremony. Some discussion took place concerning the Santa visit and social time location. It was suggested to look into a tent. Supervisor Drake noted that she will be a judge for the pet parade. Mr. Kozen discussed the December 7th Longwood Gardens bus trip the WEPOSC is running noting the bus will be picking people up at the Ross Park parking lot.

The CJER Zoning Map was discussed, in particular, the removal of the Industrial Zone from the Ross Township map in conjunction with their anticipation of the region's ordinance revisions. A motion was made by Supervisor Drake to make this change. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Kresge and carried.

A Budget work session was scheduled for October 17th at 7:00p.m. at the Chestnuthill Township Municipal Building. The Secretary was requested to check the availability of the meeting room for this purpose and to make the necessary advertisement.

An Eagle Scout Resolution was reviewed and granted to Dale Joseph McGran whose Court of Honor is October 26th. Resolution #172 was adopted.

Chairman Beers noted execution of an agreement to use school facilities is necessary in order to hold future meetings at the school facility in Eldred Township. A motion was made by Supervisor Drake to enter into the agreement. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Kresge and carried. This agreement will be acted on at the school board meeting of October 10th.

ROAD FOREMAN REPORT-Some discussion took place concerning one truck which is in need of repair estimated at \$2,700.00. It was agreed that the truck will go to Engines Inc. for this repair.

A letter received from a resident of Ross Lane concerning blacktop cracking. It was determined that patching is slated to be done there.

CORRESPONDENCE-A letter was received announcing a COG dinner meeting for Monday October 28th. The Supervisors noted the date and will respond to the Secretary.

A memo was received from the Ross Township Planning Commission concerning their member Charles Albanese who will not be attending meetings until they are held in Ross Township. It was determined that Vice Chairman Kresge would speak to him about his concerns.

Chairman Beers called an executive session at this time (7:20).

At 7:26 the members returned from their executive session and Chairman Beers announced that no decisions were made and discussion concerned possible litigation.

Receipts and Expenditures were reviewed and a motion was made by Supervisor Drake to pay the bills as presented. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Kresge and carried.

A request from Linda Kozic to waive the Township fee for construction of a temporary handicapped ramp at her home was received. A motion was made by Supervisor Drake to waive such fee and the motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Kresge and carried.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m..

Respectfully submitted,

Doris Price, Secretary