

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WORKSHOP
MUNICIPAL BUILDING
OCTOBER 10, 2007

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Meeting was called to order at 9:15 AM.

Topic: *Budget Discussions*

Present: *Township: Terry Stoudt, Ronald Heintzelman, Ronald Stahley, Brenda Norder & Barbara Schwartz*

- Preliminary budget discussions were held.

Topic: *Special Projects Update*

Present: *Township: Terry Stoudt, Ronald Heintzelman, Ronald Stahley & Atty. Lisa Young Spotts, Stevens & McCoy (SSM): Scott Unger*

- Kolapechka Park -
 - o The reimbursement check from DCNR is expected within days.
 - o All of the dead trees have been replaced
- Laurys Station Firehouse Park -
 - o Scott will reapply for the next round of grants for the Laurys Station Firehouse Park playground equipment. It is suggested that a funding partnership with the sponsoring organization (Laurys A.A.) could be looked on more favorably. Terry Stoudt will contact the organization and discuss the matter with the Recreation Board at their next meeting.
 - o Grace has replaced all but 8 trees
- Completion of the Neffs Valley Park agreement is progressing.
- Playground inspections will be done in early spring.
- Atty. Young will proceed with work on the Park Valley Bridge project.
- Work on the Serfass Company land exchange is progressing.
- The Inter-municipal agreement with South Whitehall Township to create a joint Comprehensive Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan is proceeding however the status of Upper Macungie Township's participation is undetermined at this time.
- Budgetary items regarding parks, bridges and a Master Plan for Johnson's Ponds Wildlife Park were discussed.

Topic: *Traffic Review*

Present: *Township: Terry Stoudt, Ronald Heintzelman, Ronald Stahley & Atty. Lisa Young Lehigh Engineering Assoc (LEA): Dave Earp Residents: Samia Haddad, 3618 McIntosh Drive, Orefield,*

- East View Drive Intersection
 - o Ms. Haddad expressed her concerns about the volume of traffic on East View Drive and the safety of the neighborhood children and requested that East View Drive be converted back to a cul-de-sac.
 - o A brief overview of the NW1 project and an explanation of the proposed traffic signals were discussed.
 - o Supervisor Stoudt suggested everyone wait and see how the project will affect the situation.
 - o Other traffic pattern options were explored.
 - o LEA will review the intersection during peak hours in order to develop additional options.
- Proposed developments under review by the traffic engineer were discussed including: Trinkle and Mantz submissions.

Topic: *Local Taxes*

Present: *Township: Terry Stoudt, Ronald Heintzelman, Ronald Stahley, & Atty. Lisa Young
Tax Collector: Susan Gelin*

- Susan indicated that the County would continue to support her computer and collection systems for at least another year. However, support for school tax collection was eliminated. Collectors had to acquire and learn new software.
- She suggested the Board consider a return to April property tax collections. A decision must be made before the end of the year.

Topic: *Spring Knoll Road Issue*

Present: *Township: Terry Stoudt, Ronald Heintzelman, Ronald Stahley, Steve Gitch, & Ken
Nicholson
Developer: Ken Snyder*

- The Developer explained that a field change had been made regarding Road A in the Spring Knoll subdivision and he neglected to contact the Township.
- The Developer will be responsible for notifying the homeowner, in writing, that there will be no winter maintenance on the stub street and will issue written correspondence to that effect.
- Atty. Young will be apprised of the situation.

Topic: *Budget Discussions*

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& Barbara Schwartz*

- Additional preliminary budget discussions were held.

Topic: *SALDO*

Present: *Township: Terry Stoudt, Ronald Heintzelman, Ronald Stahley, Steve Gitch, Ken
Nicholson, Jane Kelly & Atty. Lisa Young
Planning Commissioners: Jim Morris & Rich Celmer
Lehigh County Conservation District: Sara Pandl and Rebecca Kennedy*

- Discussion of LCCD's comments on the proposed SALDO update.

Meeting Adjourned at 4:00 PM

Recorded by,
Ronald E. Stahley

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Norder, Secretary