

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WORKSHOP
MUNICIPAL BUILDING
MARCH 12, 2008

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Meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM.

Topic: *Miscellaneous*

Present: *Township: Terry Stoudt, Ronald Heintzleman, Ronald Stahley, Barbara Schwartz & Atty. Lisa Young*

Barbara updated the Board regarding her research into DEP recycling grants. Applications are being developed and compliance requirements assembled. Street lighting along Spruce Street in Schnecksville was also discussed.

Topic: *Special Projects Update*

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

Ironton Rail Trail

- Surveying is in progress to mark the Township owned stretches of trail adjacent to the SAFE parcels.
- Kolapechka Park has been closed out with the contractor.
- Laurys Station Firehouse Park
 - The contractor must address punch list items.
 - We are awaiting a quote from General Recreation regarding installation of playground equipment.
- The Neffs Valley Park:
 - A meeting with the YMCA was held. The Y is investigating pool maintenance costs
- Atty. Young continues work on legal issues surrounding the Park Valley Bridge project.
- Joint Comprehensive Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan:
 - A joint meeting of the Recreation Boards of North Whitehall Township and South Whitehall Township could be held in April.
 - Scott will look into a DCNR grant application for a feasibility study to connect paths, rail trails, parks and potential parks to existing facilities in both townships.
 - Cooperative field scheduling and meeting the needs of the various organizations is to be explored.
- Inspection of the playgrounds will be performed soon.

Topic: *Kuehner Land along Rising Sun Road*

Present: *Township: Terry Stoudt, Ronald Heintzleman, Ronald Stahley, Steve Gitch & Atty. Lisa Young*

Applicants: *Attys. Charles Stopp and Keith Strohl; Lew Rauch, Lehigh Engineering Associates; & Mike Barron Lehigh County Authority*

- DEP involvement will be sought.
- A letter to another property owner in the vicinity of the Act 537 proposed amendment area is in final draft form.
- The consultants will discuss budgetary concerns and reimbursement of a portion of the study costs by DEP.
- Keystone Consulting Engineers will issue a letter of recommendation to the Board of Supervisors for consideration and formal action.

Topic: *Meadow Creek (f/k/a Eagle Ridge)*
Present: *Township: Terry Stoudt, Ronald Heintzleman, Ronald Stahley, Steve Gitch & Atty. Lisa Young*
Applicant: Larry Turoscy, Lehigh Engineering Associates

- Mr. Turoscy reviewed the original plan concept and relayed the reluctance of DEP to allow the proposed stream crossing.
- The developer proposes a 36" iron pipe supported by piers that would carry the project's stormwater to a proposed detention basin on the south side of Schneck Road.
 - Another option would be to move the basin to the north side of Schneck Road utilizing Lots 50 and 51.
 - Mr. Stahley stated that he felt the second option would be more acceptable to the community.
- Mr. Turoscy wondered if this would create the requirement for a new submission. Atty. Young opined that the action could be viewed as a response to an outside agency and resubmission would not be required, however revised plans for recording are necessary (showing the amendments).

Topic: *Whitehall Township Authority – Hoppes Well Site*
Present: *Township: Terry Stoudt, Ronald Heintzleman, Ronald Stahley, Steve Gitch, Ken Nicholson, & Atty. Lisa Young*
Applicant: Doug Bowen, WTA Executive Dir, and Joe Santilli, Keystone Consulting Engineers

- Messrs. Bowen and Santilli updated the Board on their procedures toward establishing an additional supply well along Willow Street.
- Testing and water cleaning procedures were described
- If testing proves positive, a supply could be established within two years.

Topic: *Waste Collection*
Present: *Township: Terry Stoudt, Ronald Heintzleman, Ronald Stahley, Barbara Schwartz & Atty. Lisa Young*
Applicant: Berger Sanitation Rob and Tina Berger; Harold Miller and PA Independent Waste Haulers Atty. Chris Mazullo

- Pursuant to discussions at previous Board of Supervisors' meetings, Mr. Berger invited Atty. Mazullo to answer any questions the Board may have regarding collection.
- Atty. Young explained the challenges posed by DEP and the requirements to come into compliance in order to achieve grant money.
- Atty. Mazullo explained that there is no requirement for the Township to have central collection, only that the requirement be set for each household and business to utilize a licensed hauler to collect refuse and recycling.
- Atty. Mazullo will supply sample ordinances to that effect.
- The matter will continue to be studied.

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Topic: *Ormrod Sewer Project Funding:*

Present: *Township: Terry Stoudt, Ronald Heintzleman, Ronald Stahley, Steve Gitch, Barbara Schwartz, Brenda Norder, & Atty. Lisa Young*

- A conference call was held with Lehigh County regarding status of Community Development Block grant CDBG funding for the two phases of the project.

Topic: *Parkland Pointe Plan Recording*

Present: *Township: Terry Stoudt, Ronald Heintzleman, Ronald Stahley, Steve Gitch, Jane Kelly, & Atty. Lisa Young*

Applicant: *Atty. Michael Piosa, Matt Sorrentino & Tony Ganguzza*

- Atty. Piosa explained that the developer had changed engineers from Rettew Associates to Mr. Ganguzza's firm.
- A letter was sent to the Township by Rettew stating the plan should not be recorded due to some errors.
- Atty. Young is concerned about implications if there is no response to Rettew's letter.
- Mr. Ganguzza stated that any errors do not affect the sheets intended for recording.
- Mr. Gitch stated that, while field adjustments are common, they generally occur after the plan is recorded.
- Ms. Kelly also listed other requirements to be fulfilled prior to recording.
- Atty. Young will also require the developer to indemnify the Township.
- Attys. Young and Piosa will exchange the required information.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:00 PM

Recorded by Ronald E. Stahley

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Norder, Secretary