

Regular Board of Supervisors Meeting Held on Tuesday July 20, 2004

A meeting of the Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday July 20, 2004 commencing at 9:00 a.m. Chairman Mr. Garris called the meeting to order. Present were Supervisors Mr. Doratt and Mr. Hensel, Mr. Pompo Township Solicitor, Mr. Lowry Township Zoning Officer, Mr. MacCombie Township Engineer, and members of the community.

The Board recognized a moment of silence and salute to the flag.

Township Engineers report. Mr. MacCombie presented the Board with a plan of Pomeroy Heights that showed a sketched out design to place storm drains. Mr. MacCombie stated to do the complete job it would cost an estimated \$174,823. The Board asked if there were any available grants to help and Mr. MacCombie stated he would look into it. The Board stated that storm drains for Pomeroy Heights was not part of the budget, but while the roads are tore up how much would it cost to put the pipe in and cap them? Mr. MacCombie replied the cost would be approximately \$7,000.00 to install the pipe. Mr. Doratt asked Mr. Pompo if he could participate in the vote since he is a Pomeroy Heights resident? Mr. Pompo stated that the improvement to install storm drains in the Pomeroy Heights area would be considered a general public benefit as it will effect all property owners, however an easement will need to be granted from Mr. Doratt which will prove to be a burden than benefit. Mr. Pompo suggested to Mr. Doratt not to participate in any vote, he should abstain. Mr. Hensel asked if he would have to abstain from the vote as well since he is also a property owner in Pomeroy Height? Mr. Pompo stated that Mr. Hensel could participate in the vote due to the general public benefit.

Mr. Garris made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hensel, to place and cap the storm drainpipe in the Pomeroy Heights area to cost approximately \$7,000.00. With there being no questions from the public, Mr. Garris voting "aye", Mr. Hensel voting "aye", Mr. Doratt abstained, the motion passed.

Mr. MacCombie presented the Board with plans to place sewer pipe at Spring View Manor. Mr. MacCombie stated the sanitary sewer pipe must run under the Route 30 bypass from Lincoln Crest Trailer Park. Mr. MacCombie in an effort to save money the Township may possibly be able to tie into the existing sanitary sewer lines within Spring View Manor but must have the pipes checked for cracks therefore Mr. MacCombie presented the Board with three quotes to perform the work. The lowest estimate came from Pipe Data View Services from Christiana in the amount of \$2,045.

Mr. Garris made a motion, seconded by Mr. Doratt, to authorize Pipe Data View Services to provide labor and equipment to clean and video inspect approximately 3,000 LF of sanitation line at Spring View Manor at a cost of cleaning \$845.00 and video \$1,200.00, the price includes vcr tapes and written reports. With there being no questions from the public, the Board voting "aye", the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. MacCombie provided the Board with documents of pricing of the preemption devises for installation; the units cost \$750.00 and Ford vehicles to cost an extra \$95.00. The

Board agreed to contact the Township fire companies and discuss how many units are needed. The Board tabled the discussion until the next contact is made with the fire companies.

Mr. MacCombie stated Mr. Carr developer of Sadsbury Crossing is requesting dedication of the roads to the Township. Mr. MacCombie stated the grass needs to be cut within the basin and no vegetation growth is present. Mr. Carr stated that he has already deeded the land over to the homeowners association. Mr. Pompo stated improvements documents have been completed with changes and updates and sent to Mr. Carr. Mr. Pompo also stated that the recording of the declaration for the association has been completed and reimbursement cost for the recording should be made to the Township.

Township Police report. Sergeant Ranck stated that patrolman Austin Ham has resigned from the police department to pursue a full time job elsewhere. Sergeant Ranck also reported a lot of 4 wheeler activity has occurred at Pine Hills with riding on the roadways and through the lands of others. Mr. Smondroski Township resident stated he is concerned with safety and respect and has posted his property with signs to keep them off and its not working. Mr. Lowry stated that he has a written police report stating Mr. Smodroski is moving dirt and etc on his land. Mr. Smondroski stated he moved some topsoil around his property but that is all, Mr. Lowry will do an inspection.

Mr. Garris stated that any complaints concerning an inspection or response must come to the Township in writing.

Township Solicitor report. Mr. Pompo discussed Meeting House Properties and Morris Farm and asked the Board if they plan on taking dedication of Independence Way or not? After lengthily discussion the Board agreed and directed Mr. Pompo to prepare documents that would place a bond on Independence Way. Mr. Lymberis stated that possibly changing the specs on the roadway to tolerate more traffic. The Board again agreed to have the road bonded.

Township Zoning report. Mr. Lowry stated that he has received a request from the attorney representing Stottsville Inn to consider outside dining as an accessory use to the main restaurant, to amend the Zoning Ordinance to permit outdoor dining. Mr. Lowry stated Mr. Pompo should review the options that may apply to the restaurant. The Board is concerned with the noise complaints that have already been received from residents living around the restaurant perhaps an amendment to allow outdoor dining with no band? Mr. Lowry stated Tractor Supply have applied for on site sewer and module waiver request that Mr. Lowry gave to Mr. MacCombie. Mr. Lowry stated a public meeting is scheduled for tonight with the Pomeroy Heights residents and Pennsylvania American Water Company. Mr. Lowry stated a job fair is scheduled for Wednesday July 21, 2004 from 6-8 for Sadsbury Township residents interested in a job opportunity at Electronics Boutique and a public job fair is scheduled for Wednesday July 28, 2004 from 6-8 as well. Mr. Lowry stated that he and Mr. Doratt attended a meeting with DEP regarding the Delaware Valley Concrete Plant. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss an abatement plan for the fugitive emissions generated by the plant. Delaware

Valley Concrete answered the complaint by stating a street sweeper will operate daily in three interval periods between the hours of 9:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. a sweeper log will be kept as to the frequency and times run. The sweeper will be equipped with a water spray bar to prevent debris from being carried out onto Township roads. These measures will be added to Delaware Concretes Plan.

William Piacentini Township resident expressed concerns with the plans of a concrete plant being placed across from him on Valley Road. Mr. Lowry stated there are no plans for a concrete plant.

Mr. Lowry stated Lisa Lloyd lives in the Sadsbury Village District in a ranch house with attached garage. Ms. Lloyd wishes to place a craft shop in her garage, but cannot because of the language of the current Zoning Ordinance. Mr. Pompo will draft an amendment to the Ordinance for review by the Board.

Township Road report. Mr. Hensel stated he had no report to give but stated that he and the Board had met in executive session regarding personnel matters and motioned to release the Road Crew Foreman. Mr. Hensel made a motion to release the Road Crew Foreman, with questions from Robert Silvernail and Mr. Doratt saying there was a history of issues, warnings, meetings, Mr. Doratt seconded the motion, with Mr. Hensel voting “aye”, Mr. Doratt voting “aye”, Mr. Garris “abstaining”, the motion passed.

After reviewing an exoneration request of a Township resident from per capita and personal taxes, Mr. Garris made a motion, seconded by Mr. Doratt, to exonerate a Township resident from per capita and personal taxes for the year 2004. With there being no questions from the public, the Board voting “aye”, the motion passed unanimously.

The Board discussed Ordinance 2004-04 pertaining to repealing the existing code of Sadsbury Township Chapter 46 Automatic Alarm Devices and adding a new Chapter 46 by adding provisions on false alarms to set forth a procedure for the Township to bill for false alarms instead of going right to District Justice. The 1st through 3rd false alarm activation per calendar year will be a warning, fourth through fifth false alarm a \$25.00 fine, sixth through seventh false alarm \$50.00 eighth and subsequent false alarm \$100.00 fine.

Mr. Garris made a motion, seconded by Mr. Doratt, to adopt Ordinance 2004-04 pertaining to the automatic alarm devices. With there being questions from Mr. Lymberis and Mr. Crungle being answered, the Board voting “aye”, the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. MacCombie stated a problem at 250 Compass Road with water laying in the roadway all the time and icing up in the winter. Mr. MacCombie stated that approximately 120 feet of the road needs rebuilt and will cost approximately \$7,500.00. The Board directed Mr. MacCombie to get 3 quotes to have that section rebuilt.

Public Comment:

Robert Silvernail- asked for the minutes of last months meeting, the secretary advised him they were not finished and will be available at the August meeting. Mr. Silvernail asked who was appointed to the Planning Commission position, Mr. Doratt answered Tony Cabbassa.

With there being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Myers
Secretary/Treasurer