

CHESTNUTHILL TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
ROUTE 715, BRODHEADSVILLE, PA 18322
MINUTES OF MEETING – JULY 19, 2005

A regular meeting of the Chestnuthill Township Board of Supervisors was called to order At 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 19, 2005, at the Municipal Building, Rte 715, Brodheads-ville, Pa. Those present were Chuck Gould (Chairman), Maureen Tatu (Vice- Chairman), Leigh Kane (Supervisor) and Atty. Joseph P. McDonald, Jr.

The **Pledge of Allegiance** to the Flag was led by Neal Boyce.

Executive Session. Was held on a real estate matter of July 5, 2005.

Unit Care Agreement. None.

Public Comment.

Al Bourke. Said we currently have two ordinances. Environmental Subdivision and TDR Ordinance which are both considerable and complex. Now we are considering changing the TDR ordinance. Mr. Bourke felt studies should have been done professionally on how it would impact the children and taxes before we go changing this again. A popula-tion impact study. Chuck asked Al to put his concerns in writing. A lengthy discussion ensued.

Minutes. On motion made by Leigh, seconded by Chuck it was voted to approve the Minutes of the July 5, 2005 meeting, as distributed. (2-0) (Maureen abstained because she was absent from the last meeting.)

Correspondence.

MC Vector Control. Gypsy Moth problems will be discussed at a meeting being held on August 16th at 7:00 p.m. at the Monroe County Safety Center Building in Snyder'sville.

COG. Minutes are available for all to read.

ESSA Bank. Invites the Board to a Blue Moon reception August 4, 2005 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Palmer Street in Stroudsburg.

Letter from Sally Haat. Regarding flooding issues.

Merwine, Kaspzyk, and Hanyon. Regarding flooding issues.

Grace Marks. Regarding flooding issues.

PSATS. Updated information on House Bill 1646 re: the ACRE program.

Monroe County Planning Commission. The Twelve Year Program will hold a hearing on August 5th.

National Land Trust. Will be celebrating the completion of Phase One of their conservation easement project, which will preserve the natural beauty of Resica Falls on Thursday, July 28th at 11 a.m. at the Resica Falls Scout Preservation in East Stroudsburg.

Pat Brown. Is holding a grant workshop on August 18th.

Roadmaster.

Tree Cutting Bids. Joe would like to advertise for tree cutting bids. On motion made by Maureen, seconded by Leigh it was voted to authorize the advertisement. (3-0)

Planning Director. Nothing tonight.

Atty. McDonald.

Jessica Wentz Plan. Their council asked for a number of modifications and relief associated with this plan. A brief discussion ensued. It was noted they could schedule a work session with the Board of Supervisors.

Old Business.

Ambulance Agreements. It was brought to our attention that there are two areas in the Township that according to response time would be better served by Pocono Mountain Regional EMS and Central Pocono Ambulance. An agreement between the ambulance companies and the Township needed to be signed as we did with West End Ambulance and West End Life Support. On motion made by Maureen, seconded by Leigh it was voted to have Cathy execute the agreements with the ambulance corps and get the proper signatures. (3-0)

TDR Ordinance Hearing. Due to a conflict with the current hearing date of August 20th, on motion made by Leigh, seconded by Maureen it was voted to hold the hearing on September 20, 2005 at 6:00 p.m. (3-0)

New Business.

Revised Banner Resolution. The current resolution had a banner length of 50' long. The area on Rte 209 to hang the banner is 30' long. We need to correct the resolution to reflect the correct banner length. On motion made by Leigh, seconded by Maureen it was voted to approve and sign resolution 2005-13. (3-0)

Donation requests.

Monroe County Youth Field Day. This is to sponsor a youth field day. We have given to this in the past years. On motion made by Maureen, seconded by Leigh it was voted to donate \$500.00 to the youth field day. (3-0) it was noted that Al Bourke objected to donating taxpayers monies.

Western Pocono Lionesses. This is to sponsor the Lionesses fashion show. We have given to this in the past years. On motion made by Leigh, seconded by Chuck it was voted we sponsor a full page ad for \$75.00 for the Township and a ½ page ad for \$40.00 for the Park Haunted Forest. (3-0) it was noted that Al Bourke objected to donating taxpayers monies.

Effort United Methodist Church. Cindy Parks was present on behalf of the Church with a letter to the Board to request any consideration that might be given to the church in waiving the fee for a permit which they have requested to build two walls in their education wing. They will have difficulty paying the \$800.00 required permit fee. The Board had a brief discussion and said they will discuss this with the Zoning Officer and Inspection Service and get back to the church.

Bills. On motion made by Maureen, seconded by Leigh it was voted to pay the General Fund bills. (3-0) on motion made by Leigh, seconded by Maureen it was voted to pay the Capitol Project Fund bills. (3-0)

Robert Beers Surveyor – Lot Line Adjustment. This proposed adjustment is on New York Boulevard. The property owner is Arthur Stuber. The current subdivision was approved in 1990. They just want to adjust the line slightly, however, do not want to retest the septic. Mr. Beers has spoken to Helen and she indicated further testing was not required, as they are not creating a new lot. On motion made by Chuck, seconded by Leigh it was voted to table this until the August 2nd to give the Board time to look into this. (3-0)

Rte 209 Drainage. Mike Wilkes of Borton Lawson was present to ask the Board to sign the Highway Occupancy Permit for the cut and placement of two 36” drainage pipes to be placed across RTE 209 where the serious flooding occurs running through the Merwine/Hanyon property. A work session was held on Monday, July 18th with Penn Dot, Atty. Hanyon, Representative Siphroth, Chris McDermott, The Board, Roadmaster and Planning Director. The Township will install the pipes and Atty. Hanyon will pay the cost, as well as purchase the pipes. Penn Dot has agreed to expedite this permit as scheduled paving will be done in the next month or so. The pipe must be installed first so that further expense is not incurred. The Board is requesting \$5,000.00 from Atty. Hanyon to maintain the pipes in the future. On motion made by Maureen, seconded by Leigh it was voted to sign the application, conditioned upon receipt of the endowment for maintenance of the 36” concrete pipes on Rte 209. (3-0) on motion made by Chuck, seconded by Maureen it was voted to authorize Joe Weston, Roadmaster to sign and execute the permit when the check is received. (3-0)

Adjournment. There being no further business, on motion made by Leigh, seconded by Maureen it was voted to adjourn into executive session at 8:30 p.m. (3-0)

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy A. Baker
Recording Secretary