

CHESTNUTHILL TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
ROUTE 715, BRODHEADSVILLE, PA 18322
MINUTES OF MEETING – JANUARY 16, 2007

A regular meeting of the Chestnuthill Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 16, 2007, at the Township Municipal Building, Rte 715, Brodheadsville, PA 18322. 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 Jason Frantz.

Executive Session. Was held on January 2nd for a legal issue.

Unit Care Agreement. None.

Public Comment.

Resident M/M Sottile. Asked for an update on Bonser Drive, Country Terrace Acres. Monroe County Conservation District is currently reviewing the paperwork. The Board received more pictures from the Sottile's and they requested that the certificate of occupancy be held up until all approvals are met.

Minutes. On motion made by Leigh, seconded by Maureen it was voted to approve the minutes of the January 2nd reorganization meeting, as distributed. (3-0) on motion made by Maureen, seconded by Leigh it was voted to approve the minutes of the January 2nd Supervisors meeting, as distributed. (3-0)

Correspondence.

Storm water Workshop. To be held at the Monroe County Conservation District on February 5th from 8:30am until noon.

MC Public Safety. On Friday, January 26th from 10:00 to 12:00 Delta Development Group will be giving a Special Needs Module Overview. The Special Needs Evacuation Module helps state and local governments identify and assist individuals with special needs during an evacuation event.

Road master. Truck Bids.

We had advertised for bids for a used pickup truck not to exceed \$15,000.00. No bids were received. However, we have located a pickup truck on state contract. It is a 2007 Dodge Ram 1500ST, 4wd with an 8' bed off state contract #4600010635. The price will be \$17696.00; delivery of vehicle will be \$200.00 extra. On motion made by Leigh, seconded by Chuck it was voted to approve the purchase of this vehicle. (3-0)

Township Manager.

Vehicle- Chevy Impala. Dave has located a Chevy Impala on state contract #4600010676. This vehicle gets 30 mpg. The price for this vehicle is \$14852.00; delivery of the vehicle will be \$200.00 extra. After a brief discussion, on motion made by Leigh, seconded by Chuck it was voted to approve this request. (3-0)

Old Business.

Safety Committee Request. At the last Board of Supervisors meeting Maureen suggested disbanding the safety committee as the savings we received from Workman's Compensation was \$2495.00 and the time and effort of the entire volunteer's involved made it seem like a disappointment. She suggested practicing workplace safety instead. Chuck suggested that perhaps we restructure the committee, possibly meet during the day, etc. Cathy will speak with the committee and get their input.

Penn-Dot Waiver. Penn Dot has asked for a waiver of Chapter 92 the Storm-Water Management Ordinance requirements for their Jonas Road Bridge project. After review by our Engineer, Al Handy of HRG it was his opinion to grant this waiver request. The project will also be regulated by the Monroe County Conservation District and Department of Environmental Protection. On motion made by Maureen, seconded by Leigh it was voted to grant this waiver request. (3-0)

New Business.

Reappointment of Todd Weizmann. During reorganization Atty. Todd Weizmann was inadvertently overlooked. On motion made by Chuck, seconded by Leigh it was voted to reappoint Todd Weizmann as Solicitor of the Building Code of Appeals Board. (3-0)

Nuisance Ordinance. Chuck spoke on the Nuisance Ordinance. There is a structure that has been referred to at several meetings that the Sun Valley Board of Directors for the owners association feel should be removed. Zoning Officer Hansen had been working on this issue and had referred it to the County agencies. Mr. Ray Guernsey from the MC Housing Authority has sent a letter stating that this structure is inhabitable. Chuck had two suggestions. 1. Habitat for Humanity coming in to rebuild a structure or 2. Obtaining a trailer for this person to live in. The latter is the easier of the two as well as the quickest way. However, the Sun Valley by-laws do not permit trailers in this section. The Sun Valley Property Owners would have to give their permission. The Township is not in the business of throwing people out in the street. A year ago we had set a meeting with the Board of Supervisors and the Property Owners Association, no one showed up for the meeting. We would like to reorganize the effort but this time to include our nuisance ordinance enforcement teams and Attorneys. We are here for their health and safety and we are looking forward to working with the Property Owners to make this happen. We will pick several dates and choose one that will work for all.

PIC Committee.

The Pride in Chestnuthill Committee has been doing clean up in the Township. Their next project would like to be Sun Valley Mountain Road (Toll Road) which runs through Sun Valley. Mr. Johnson, Chairman, needs 35 volunteers to make this happen. In order

to close the road down Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority requires 35 volunteers. Mr. Johnson asked Sun Valley Property Owners Association for their help. Ms. Donna Hunter who is a Board member volunteered, as well as Mr. Barber who said there is a Homeowners Association meeting this Sunday and he would see to it that Mr. Johnson has enough volunteers. Mr. Barber will contact Cathy Baker with the volunteer list.

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

Plans-Planning Director.

Emerson Chase/Joshmor. Atty. Matergia, Rich and Jason Frantz and Chris Borger were present on behalf of this plan. They are requesting an extension of time to complete the conditions of sub-division approval. They are willing to update their cost estimate within 30-days of execution of the development agreement. They are waiting on outside approvals. A brief discussion ensued and on motion made by Leigh, seconded by Maureen it was voted to grant an extension until June 15, 2007 to meet the conditions. (3-0)

Whispering Woods Extension. Chris Borger was present on behalf of this plan. He was here to ask the Board of Supervisors whether they would consider taking the cul-de-sac located on lot 203 at the end of Copperwood Court. The question was does the Township want to own and operate the cul-de-sac? A brief discussion ensued and on motion made by Maureen, seconded by Leigh it was voted to table this issue until February 6th. (3-0)

Adjournment. There being no further business, on motion made by Chuck, seconded by Leigh it was voted to adjourn at 8:02 p.m. into executive session on a legal issue. (3-0)

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy A. Baker
Recording Secretary