

RICHLAND TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

March 3, 2010

PUBLIC MEETING

The Richland Township Board of Supervisors meeting held at the municipal building on Wednesday, March 3, 2010 was called to order at 7:00 PM. by Vice Chairman, Raymond P. Kendrick. There were five people present in the audience. The Officials present were:

Raymond P. Kendrick, Vice Chairman
John A. Marshall, Supervisor
Barton D. Miller, Supervisor

Dean E. Bastianini, Township Manager
Tina L. Shaw, Recording Secretary

Mr. Marshall made a motion to approve the minutes from the Supervisors meeting of February 17, 2010. Mr. Miller seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Mr. Kendrick asked if anyone in the audience wished to speak. No one came forward.

Mr. Miller made a motion to approve the bills payable. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

CORRESPONDENCE

Joseph A. Olczak, Director, Allegheny County Department of Public Works

A letter responding to a Township request for a speed limit study on Meridian Road. Mr. Olczak indicated that the County policy requires the affected municipality to pay for a traffic engineer to conduct the study. The Supervisors took no further action.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Forestwood Drive Traffic Calming Study Survey

The Board acknowledged the survey results from the Grandview Drive traffic calming study area:

“Yes” votes	Nineteen	(19)
“No” votes	One	(1)
“No Response”	Three	<u>(3)</u>
	Total	23

Mr. Kendrick acknowledged that a significant majority of the residents from within the study area voted in favor of installing two speed humps. He then made a motion accepting the engineer’s modified traffic calming recommendation, and to approve a change order to the Township’s paving

contract with Shield Asphalt Paving Inc. providing for the installation of the speed humps on Forestwood Drive for the unit price of \$2,200 each; total change order amount: \$4,400. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Mr. Bastianini thanked the residents for attending all of the meetings and providing their input.

Parkview Estates Phase III Subdivision Plan

Mr. Bastianini provided the Board of Supervisors with an update on the status of the various outstanding issues and explained the rationale for redesigning the open space parcel labeled "Parcel A" on the plans. Reducing the size of the proposed playing field could preserve existing trees, reduce the amount of earthwork and promote safety by providing larger buffers.

NEW BUSINESS

DCNR Grant Project - Contract No. 09-04; Micro-Soccer Field - Earthwork & Contract No. 09-05; Micro-Soccer Field and Field #9 Landscaping

Mr. Marshall made a motion to award Contract No. 09-04 to Meyers Excavating for the bid price of \$94,899.00. Mr. Miller seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Mr. Miller made a motion to award Contract No. 09-05 to Playing Surface Solutions for the bid price of \$69,980.00. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

2010-2011 Pennsylvania Joint Salt Purchasing Program

Mr. Marshall made a motion authorizing the Township to participate in the 2010-2011 Pennsylvania Salt Purchase Program. Mr. Miller seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Bastianini reported on the following:

- The damage which snow and ice caused to the roof and gutters of the Public Works Garage. A claim has been filed with the Township's insurance carriers.
- A proposed field closure policy prohibiting play at the community park due to inclement weather or unsafe field conditions. Under the policy a Township official will evaluate the fields each weekday to determine if they are suitable for play. If they are not then closure signs will be posted and league officials notified. Coaches will still use discretion to make decisions on the playability of fields on weekends and at game times.

Mr. Miller asked if the policy could be implemented for a six month trial basis? It was agreed that it could be. Mr. Marshall made a motion to adopt the field closure policy. Mr. Miller seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

- A report to the Allegheny County Department of Emergency Management indicating the financial costs incurred as a result of the severe winter storm event of February 5th. Eligible costs amounted to \$39,489.59. If the Federal government declares the event a disaster the Township is eligible for reimbursement of up to 75% of the costs.
- The Allegheny North Tax Collection Committee has incorporated many of Mr. Charles Means' recommendations into the final set of By-Laws which will be considered at the next Committee meeting on March 16, 2010. Mr. Bastianini said that he would vote "affirmatively" to accept the By-Laws as presented provided the Supervisors found them acceptable. The Board indicated their approval of the proposed By-Laws.
- Mr. Bastianini requested an executive session following the public meeting to discuss a matter of potential litigation.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Ms. Annette Robinson, 108 Applewood Drive, asked if it was OK to cross country ski on the fields at the community park? Mr. Bastianini responded that cross county skiing is permitted.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m. The Supervisors adjourned to an executive session.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina L. Shaw
Recording Secretary