

RICHLAND TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

NOVEMBER 19, 2008

PUBLIC MEETING

The Richland Township Board of Supervisors meeting held at the municipal building on Wednesday, November 19, 2008 was called to order at 7:00 PM. by Chairman Herbert C. Dankmyer. There were approximately nine people present in the audience. The Officials present were:

Herbert C. Dankmyer, Chairman	John A. Pasquinelli, Supervisor
Raymond P. Kendrick, Vice Chairman	Dean E. Bastianini, Township Manager
George P. Allen, Supervisor	Tina L. Shaw, Recording Secretary
Brian M. O'Malley, Supervisor	Charles Means, Esquire

Mr. Allen made a motion to approve the minutes from the Supervisors' Public Meeting of November 5, 2008. Mr. Kendrick seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

Mr. Bastianini read the Treasurer's report for the period ending September 30, 2008.

General Fund	\$ 230,670	Municipal Bldg Capital Fund	\$ 8,258
Street Light Tax Fund	1,581	Hwy Capital Improvement Reserve	276,789
Municipal Impact Fee TSA #1	169,357	General Capital Reserve	318,542
Municipal Impact Fee TSA #2	1,371,470	Sewer Capital Reserve	1,930,382
Sewer Fund	392,689	Highway Aid Fund	66
2003 Bond Fund	78,519	Municipal Pension Fund	4,766
2007 Bond Fund	347,111		

Mr. Allen made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Mr. O'Malley seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

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

CORRESPONDENCE

Allegheny County Boroughs Association

An announcement that the Association's annual banquet will be held on February 7, 2009 at the Westin Convention Center in Pittsburgh.

Mr. Kendrick made a motion authorizing the Supervisors to attend the banquet with the Township meeting the expense. Mr. O'Malley seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Regis J. Aul, P.E., Principal Design Services
Trans Associates

A letter from Trans Associates requesting a fee increase for design services and costs associated with the Ewalt Road/Route 8 traffic improvement project in the amount of \$13,700.00.

Mr. Kendrick made a motion authorizing the Chairman to execute the supplement request and that the revised fee limit not be exceeded. Mr. Allen seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES - OCTOBER 20, 2008

Arthur King - Harvest Valley Farms - Approval of preliminary and final land development plans for the construction of a farm market on property situate at 403 Cunningham Road. Zoning District "RA" One-Acre Residential, Lot & Block No. 2190-H-111. Revised plans dated 9-23-08 and 9-29-08.

Mr. Art King, 125 Ida Lane, representing Harvest Valley farms, presented the plans. After a brief discussion Mr. Allen made a motion granting approval of preliminary and final land development plans based upon the following conditions:

1. All lighting fixtures, including any on the existing garage will be field tested by the Township to insure compliance with the Township's regulations. Any non-compliant lights will be removed or replaced.
2. Receipt of an on-lot sewage disposal system permit from the Allegheny County Health Department;
3. Compliance with all conditions established by the Planning Commission and all of the requirements stated in Shoup Engineering's review letters (of October 13th, 16th & 22nd); including financial security in the amount of \$800.00, for a five year period from the day of occupancy, for required landscaping; Code Section 27-510C; and
4. Payment of a Transportation Impact Fee in the amount of \$11,160.00.

Mr. Kendrick seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ms. Rhianna Pankhurst of 6036 Heckert Road, Bakerstown reported on a meeting that she had last week with Mr. Bastianini and Ms. Williams regarding horses on the trails and roads at the community park. Ms. Pankhurst stated the meeting was very productive. They had reached some decisions as to how to protect the trails in the park and continue to have the horses use the park as well. Ms. Pankhurst has taken the responsibility to contact the neighboring farms and to get the word out to exercise good judgement when using the trails. Mr. Kendrick made a motion to remove this item from the agenda Mr. Allen seconded the motion and it was approved by all. Ms. Pankhurst

thanked the Supervisors, Mr. Bastianini and Ms. Williams for listening to her and for working out an agreement.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Bastianini asked the Board to consider whether field usage and barn rentals fees should be increased for the upcoming season. Mr. Bastianini indicated that expenses are going up and costs of maintaining the facilities are increasing as well. He distributed a report showing the current charges and a comparison reports from other facilities and Townships. The fee resolution will be considered at the organizational meeting in January.

Mr. Bastianini reported that he had received an application from a resident of Grandview Drive asking for a Traffic Calming Study to be performed on the portion of Grandview Drive between the Get-Go driveway and Oakhill Road. Mr. Bastianini has forwarded the application to Mr. Goetz for his review. A proposal to perform the study will be considered at the Board's December 3rd meeting.

Mr. Bastianini has also been discussing the fuel adjustment fee with representatives of Vogel Disposal. The fuel calculations will be finalized for the first meeting in December.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Mr. Means reported that to date no hearing has been set regarding the St. Barnabas tax exemption appeal.

Mr. Means reported that he is in the process of preparing an advertisement and ordinance for implementation of the TIF fee increase recommended by the Advisory Committee. A public hearing on the changes is scheduled for December 15, 2008 prior to the Planning Commission meeting.

COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

Mr. Pasquinelli reported on the "Welcome to Richland" sign at the Richland Mall which was a landscaping condition of approval for the Kohl's store. Mr. Pasquinelli suggested the sign should be installed in front of the four pine trees near Theater Drive and angled properly to the road. The Supervisors accepted the recommendation.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina L. Shaw
Recording Secretary