

**POCONO TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS**  
**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING**  
**MARCH 16<sup>nd</sup>, 2009 7:00 p.m.**

The Regular Meeting of the Pocono Township Supervisors was held on March 16<sup>nd</sup>, 2009, at the Pocono Township Municipal Building, Tannersville, Pa., and was opened by Chairwoman, Jane Cilurso, at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COMMENTS RE RESIDENTS:** Chairwoman J. Cilurso noted that each visitor has the right to comment at this time or before any action is taken on the matter.

Joe Vesce, Township resident, asked the board to reconsider the burning ordinance. He felt it was too restrictive. J. Cilurso noted the burning ordinance is being revisited and revisions are being made to include an additional night and extended hours on Saturday. The burning of cardboard and paper will still be banned. Recycling of these materials is strongly suggested.

**ROLL CALL:** Jane Cilurso, present; Harold Werkheiser, present, and John Bramley, present.

Timothy McManus, Township Solicitor, Ross Boucher and Aaron Sisler, Boucher & James Engineering, Inc., Pamela Finkbeiner, Recording Secretary, Dennis Keesler, Pocono Township Sewage Enforcement Officer, were present.

**NOTICE OF MEETING TIMES:** J. Cilurso welcomed the audience and thanked them for attending. She noted the regularly scheduled Supervisors meetings are held on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. unless rescheduled.

**MINUTES:** J. Bramley made a motion, seconded by H. Werkheiser, to approve the minutes of the 03/02/2009 regular supervisors meeting and the minutes of the 03/10/2009 special sewage meeting. Roll call vote: J. Cilurso, yes; H. Werkheiser, yes; J. Bramley; yes. Motion carried.

**BILLS:** H. Werkheiser made a motion, seconded by J. Bramley, to approve the semi-monthly bills for payment. Roll call vote: J. Cilurso, yes; H. Werkheiser, yes; J. Bramley; yes. Motion carried.

**BIDS:** Bids for Road Materials and Paving project will be advertised in the near future.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** All communications pertained to the plans and were addressed when the plans were presented.

**SEO REPORT:** Dennis Keesler, Twp. Sewage Enforcement Officer. A total of 9 permits and inspections were completed. A full copy of his report is on file and available at the township.

**ZO REPORT:** Steve Meylach, Twp. ZO was absent but presented a written report for the board. A full copy of his report is on file and available at the township.

**TABLING OF PLANS:** J. Bramley made a motion, seconded by H. Werkheiser, to table the Steve Basick Lot Combination Plan, Sanofi Pasteur - 138 KV Substation Final Lot Consolidation Plan, Sanofi Pasteur Final Lot Consolidation Plan - South Campus and RJAD, LLC (Anthony Diaz) As-Built Land Dev. Plan, . Roll call vote: J. Cilurso, yes; H. Werkheiser, yes; J. Bramley; yes. Motion carried

**ONGOING PLANS:**

- 1) Steve Basick Lot Combination Plan-Plan submitted for the 09/15/2008 Sup'v. mtg. \$300.00 fee paid. The Plan was tabled at the 03/02/2009 Sup'v meeting. The Sup'v. accepted a 90-day Waiver at their 03/02/2009 mtg. - until 06/28/09. The last Sup'v. mtg. is 06/15/09. See motion above for tabling.
- 2) Nicholas P. Nicholas Properties Final Minor Subdivision/Lot Combination Plan - The Pocono Township Planning Commission recommended Conditional Approval of the plan for final. The plan was tabled at the 03/02/2009 Sup'v. meeting. The 90-day time requirement expires 04/04/09. Last Sup'v. meeting is 03/16/09. A 90 - day Time Extension Waiver Letter was received.  
H. Werkheiser made a motion, seconded by J. Bramley, to accept the 90 - Day Time Extension waiver and table the plan. Roll call vote: J. Cilurso, yes; H. Werkheiser, yes; J. Bramley; yes. Motion carried.
- 3) Sanofi Pasteur - 138 KV Substation Final Lot Consolidation Plan - Plan submitted 11/07/2008 for 11/17/2008 Sup'v. Meeting. \$300.00 Plan fee paid. Plan was tabled at the 03/02/2009 Sup'v. meeting. The Sup'v. waived the time requirement until 04/06/2009. Last Sup'v. mtg. is 04/06/09. See motion above for tabling.
- 4) Sanofi Pasteur Final Lot Consolidation Plan - South Campus - \$300.00 fee paid. Submitted on 12/22/08 for the 01/20/09 Sup'v. meeting. Plan was tabled at the 03/02/2009 Sup'v. meeting. The 90 - day time requirement expires 04/20/09. Last Sup'v. meeting is 04/06/09. See motion above for tabling.
- 5) RJAD, LLC (Anthony Diaz) As-Built Land Dev. Plan - \$500.00 Fee paid. Plan was submitted on 01/16/2009 for the 01/26/2009 P.C. mtg. The P.C. recommended conditional approval of the plan at their 02/23/2009 meeting. The plan was tabled at the 03/02/2009 Sup'v. meeting. See motion above for tabling.

**WAIVER LETTERS:** The Pocono Twp. Planning Commission recommended the following:

- A. Pocono Manor Tentative Planned Residential Dev. Prelim. Plan - Time Extension Request until July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2009.  
J. Bramley made a motion, seconded by H. Werkheiser, to accept the Time extension waiver until 07/31/2009. Roll call vote: J. Cilurso, yes; H. Werkheiser, yes; J. Bramley; yes. Motion carried.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- 1) Traffic Signal Plan at the intersection of SR314W and Rt. 611 and SR314E (By the Amber Club in Swiftwater).  
H. Werkheiser made a motion, seconded by J. Cilurso, to table the plan.  
Roll call vote: J. Cilurso, yes; H. Werkheiser, yes; J. Bramley; yes.  
Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1) Letter of Intent by and among Brodhead Creek Regional Authority, Pocono Township, Stroud Township, and the Borough of Stroudsburg. J. Bramley made a motion, seconded by H. Werkheiser, to approve the Letter of Intent by and among Brodhead Creek Regional Authority, Pocono Township, Stroud Township, and the Borough of Stroudsburg.
  
- 2) H. Werkheiser, Roadmaster, reported the township road crew had collected 85 bags of litter from township roads in the last week. Litter is a constant problem for our area. He encouraged all residents to assist in keeping our area clear of litter. The township is willing to work with groups, such as Pa Cleanways Volunteers to dispose of the trash collect. P. Finkbeiner noted the information on PA Cleanways can be found on the township's website [www.poconotownship.org](http://www.poconotownship.org) or directly at [www.pacleanways.org](http://www.pacleanways.org)
  
- 3) Penn State Extension will hold an "On-Lot Septic System Seminar" at the Pocono Twp. Municipal Building, Tannersville, Pa. on Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2009 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Brochures are available at the office for interested persons.
  
- 4) Gypsy Moth Spraying - Jackie Hackim of Vector Control has notified the township that DCNR will not spray any private lands this year. Pocono Township will host a meeting in the near future for township residents who wish to contract the private sprayer, Bruce's Flying Service. More information will be forthcoming in the near future.
  
- 5) Resolution #548 - Pocono Township Revised Addendum to Fee and Permit Schedule The fee and Permit Schedule will be amended as follows:

**SEPTIC**

WHOLE DAY - PROBES AND/OR PERCS	\$600.00
HALF DAY - PROBES AND/OR PERCS	\$300.00
NO REFUND FOR TESTING OF LOTS THAT HAVE BEEN SOLD AT TAX SALES AND HAVE FAILED, OR LOTS THAT HAVE BEEN TESTED PREVIOUSLY AND FAILED.	

**WELL**

REPAIR: EXCLUDING PUMP REPLACEMENT	\$100.00
EACH REVIEW AND/OR REINSPECT	\$ 50.00

**SIGNS**

SIGNS	-BI-ANNUALLY	\$75.00
SIGN PLAZA	-BI-ANNUALLY	\$125.00
SIGNS IN EXCESS OF 150 SQ.FT. - BI-ANNUALLY		\$100.00

H. Werkheiser made a motion, seconded by J. Bramley, to adopt Resolution #548 - Pocono Township Revised Addendum to Fee and Permit Schedule. Roll call vote: J. Cilurso, yes; H. Werkheiser, yes; J. Bramley; yes. Motion carried.

**RESPONSES AND COMMENTS:**

Joe Sadowski, Township resident, commented on the raise in taxes. The old tree along Sullivan Trail has died. J. Bramley noted he has contacted Blue Ridge Cable concerning the cutting down of the tree. The Basswood tree was over 300 years old and a record tree. J. Bramley is working with Monroe County Historical Association in an effort to salvage wood from the tree.

ADJOURNMENT: J. Bramley made a motion, seconded by H. Werkheiser, to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. until the next regularly scheduled supervisor's meeting at 4/6/2009 at 7:00 p.m. Roll call vote: J. Cilurso, yes; H. Werkheiser, yes; J. Bramley; yes. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted  
Pamela Finkbeiner  
Recording Secretary