

**Pocono Township Supervisors
Minutes of the Regular meeting
May 19th, 2008 7:00 P.M.**

The regular Meeting of the Pocono Township Supervisors was held on May 19th, 2008, at the Pocono Township Municipal Building, Tannersville, Pa. and was opened by Chairwoman, Jane Cilurso, at 7:00p.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. Visitor may also discuss concerns at the end of the business meeting, before adjournment.

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

Timothy McManus, Solicitor; Dave Horton, Boucher & James Engineering, Inc.; Pamela Finkbeiner, Recording Secretary; Dennis Keesler, Pocono Township Sewage Enforcement Officer; and Steven Meylach, Pocono Township Zoning officer were present.

BILLS: The semi-monthly bills were presented for payment. 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.

COMMUNICATIONS: None

BIDS: Due to a determination by the Dept. of L&I that the Repaving Project must comply with the prevailing wage, the Road Repaving Project will be rebid in compliance with the Prevailing Wage Act. H. Werkheiser made a motion, seconded by J. Bramley to reject all Road Repaving Project Bid. Roll Call Vote: J. Cilurso, yes; H. Werkheiser, yes; J. Bramley, yes. Motion carried.

The bid for Line Painting will be awarded at 7:15 p.m.

A Road Materials Bid was advertised for opening and reading aloud at a Special Supervisor's meeting on 5/22/08 at 10:00 a.m.

SEO REPORT: D. Keesler, Township SEO reported on the septic inspections of the past two weeks. He has been working with P. Finkbeiner to update the maps and images on the Pocono Township's website. A PDF converter program is available for \$45.99, which will allow large images to be resized for easier viewing on the website. J. Bramley made a motion, seconded by H. Werkheiser to purchase the PDF converter program for \$45.99. Roll Call Vote: J. Cilurso, yes; H. Werkheiser, yes; J. Bramley, yes. Motion carried.

ZONING OFFICERS REPORT: S. Meylach, Township Zoning Officer reported that 33 permits were issued. He is presently working on updating the driveway ordinance and is considering recommending Driveway Paving companies that go door to door to be required to obtain a vendor's license. A copy of the full report is on file with township.

NEW PLANS:

C.L.Becker Construction, Inc., Lot Consolidation Plan-The Pocono Township Planning Commission recommended Conditional Approval of the plan at their 4/28/2008 meeting. Deanna Schmoyer, HGR, Inc. updated the commission on the plan. Comments from Boucher & James, Inc. letter of 4/18/2008 have been addressed. J. Bramley made a motion, seconded by H. Werkheiser to approve the C.L. Becker Construction, Inc., Lot Consolidation Plan. Roll Call Vote: J. Cilurso, yes; H. Werkheiser, yes; J. Bramley, yes. Motion carried.

ONGOING PLANS:

- 1) The Reserve at Cherry Lane Final Plan - Stroud Twp. has approved their portion of the plan. The Pocono Township Planning Commission recommended Conditional Approval of the plan. The Supervisors accepted an extension of the time requirement until the 06/30/08 Sup'v. meeting. The plan was tabled at the 05/05/08 Sup'v. meeting.
- 2) Garvey Agency, Inc. Lot Consolidation Plan - (Lots 807 & 808 Alpine Lake) Plan submitted for 02/04/2008 Sup'v. mtg. \$300.00 Plan fee paid. Plan was tabled at the 05/05/2008 Sup'v. meeting. An extension of time waiver was received. The 90-day time requirement expires 08/02/08.

J. Bramley made a motion, seconded by H. Werkheiser to table the Reserve at Cherry Lane Final Plan and the Garvey Agency, Inc. Lot Consolidation Plan. Roll Call Vote: J. Cilurso, yes; H. Werkheiser, yes; J. Bramley, yes. Motion carried.

- 3) Quaker Ridge Estates Major Preliminary Subdivision Plan-The P.C. recommended Conditional Approval of the plan and Planning Modules. Jim Cahill, Pocono Manor Investors, LP represented the plan. Discussion followed on comments of Boucher & James, Inc., review letter of 4/28/2008. J. Cilurso read the summary of actions of the 4/28/2008 P.C. meeting. SALDO SEC. 3.303.B-side lots right angles, J. Cahill explained the lot lines follow an existing PPL right-of-way, SALDO SEC. 2.302.B.13-Street names have been addressed, SALDO SEC. 3.211-Flag lots, SALDO SEC. 3.212.C-Open Space has been designated in the steep slope areas and abandoned shale pit area, SALDO SEC. 3.602 & 3.608 Table 3-2, Development improvements have been addressed with increased road widening to allow for a walking area, instead of side walks. SALDO SEC. 3.610-Street lights have been added to the plan at intersections and curves. SALDO SEC. 3.612-Landscaping has been added to the plan.
J. Bramley noted the township would not accept Open Space land that is unusable, instead of Fee in Lieu payment.

QUAKER RIDGE CONT:

J. Bramley made a motion, seconded by H. Werkheiser to accept the Request for Modification from SALDO SEC. 2.302.D.8- Map of contiguous holdings. Roll Call Vote: J. Cilurso, yes; H. Werkheiser, yes; J. Bramley, yes. Motion carried.

J. Bramley made a motion, seconded by H. Werkheiser to accept the Request for Modification from SALDO SEC. 3.303.B- Side lot lines to be at right angles. Roll Call Vote: J. Cilurso, yes; H. Werkheiser, yes; J. Bramley, yes. Motion carried.

J. Bramley made a motion, seconded by H. Werkheiser to accept the Quaker Ridge Estates Major Preliminary Subdivision Plan with the condition all comments of the Engineer's letter of 4/28/2008 be addressed and all outstanding professional fees are paid. Payment of Fee in Lieu is a condition of final approval of the plan, as per Pocono Township Ordinance #121. Roll Call Vote: J. Cilurso, yes; H. Werkheiser, yes; J. Bramley, yes. Motion carried.

J. Bramley made a motion, seconded by H. Werkheiser to approve Resolution 523-Forwarding Planning Modules to DEP for their acceptance as per revision to the Township's Act 537 plan. Roll Call Vote: J. Cilurso, yes; H. Werkheiser, yes; J. Bramley, yes. Motion carried.

4) Terry Martz Major Preliminary Subdivision Plan and Planning Modules- The P.C. recommended Conditional Approval of the plan. The plan was tabled at the 5/05/08 Sup'v meeting. Donna Akler, P.E. Acherman Associates, represented the plan. The P.C. recommended approval of the 2 RFM's **1)** SALDO SEC. 2.302.B.9-re tract boundaries, with a note added to the plan that the section identified as remaining lands was done by deed plotting and not an actual survey. **2)** SALDO SEC. 3.604.B.5.a (Table 3-1) - re travelway width - accept a proposed 4' wide paved "bike lane". The P.C. did not recommend SALDO SEC. 3.304.A - re 2200' Cul De Sac. D. Akler explained the proposed road will remain private and not turned over to the township.

J. Bramley made a motion, seconded by H. Werkheiser to accept the Request for Modification from SALDO SEC. 2.302.B.9-Tract Boundaries. Roll Call Vote: J. Cilurso, yes; H. Werkheiser, yes; J. Bramley, yes. Motion carried.

J. Bramley made a motion, seconded by H. Werkheiser to accept the Request for Modification from SALDO SEC. 3.304.A - Cul de Sacs. Roll Call Vote: J. Cilurso, yes; H. Werkheiser, yes; J. Bramley, yes. Motion carried.

J. Bramley made a motion, seconded by H. Werkheiser to accept the Request for Modification from SALDO SEC. 3.604.B.5a (Table 3-1). Roll Call Vote: J. Cilurso, yes; H. Werkheiser, yes; J. Bramley, yes. Motion carried.

Stormwater Management Ordinance B.7.B.1.1 & B.7.B.1.H-re fencing around detention basins. Terry Martz, owner of property, explained the detention basin in question is an existing pond on the property. The pond will remain in private ownership.

TERRY MARTZ CONT:

J. Bramley made a motion, seconded by H. Werkheiser to grant the request for modification with respect to Stormwater Management requirement B.7.B.1.1 & B.7.B.1.H-re fencing. Roll Call Vote: J. Cilurso, yes; H. Werkheiser, yes; J. Bramley, yes. Motion carried.

J. Bramley made a motion, seconded by H. Werkheiser to approve the Terry Martz Major Preliminary Subdivision Plan with conditions:

- 1) All professional fees paid
- 2) RFM's granted must be listed on plan
- 3) Covenant to be added to plan re private road to be maintained by the developer.
- 4) All outstanding comments from Boucher & James letter of 5/9/2008 to be addressed.
- 5) Comments B. and C. from Cramer, Swetz & McManus's letter of 11/12/07 to be addressed.

Roll Call Vote: J. Cilurso, yes; H. Werkheiser, yes; J. Bramley, yes. Motion carried.

WAIVER LETTER:

1) The Village at Iroquois Ridge Preliminary Major Subdivision Plan-The Pocono Township Planning Commission recommended that the request for a 90 day time extension received from the developer be limited to 30-day. J. Cilurso made a motion, seconded by H. Werkheiser to accept a 90-day time extension for the Village at Iroquois Ridge Preliminary Major Subdivision Plan. Roll Call Vote: J. Cilurso, yes; H. Werkheiser, yes; J. Bramley, yes. Motion carried.

2) J.A. Snyder Entities, Inc., Major Subdivision Plan- Waiver granted for 90-days from 5/12/2008. The P.C. recommended that this plan be disapproved if the Sup'v did not receive a Waiver letter by 6/02/2008. A letter was received. J. Bramley made a motion, seconded by H. Werkheiser to accept the 90-day time extension for the J.A. Snyder Entities, Inc. Major Subdivision Plan. Roll Call Vote: J. Cilurso, yes; H. Werkheiser, yes; J. Bramley, yes. Motion carried.

3) Pocono Manor Planned Residential Dev.-Time extension granted to commence the Conditional Use Hearing and PRD tentative Plan Hearing to 8/31/08. J. Cilurso made a motion, seconded by J. Bramley. 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) Township Solicitor, T. McManus explained he is in the process of writing a maintenance agreement for the light.

- 2) Pocono Township Spring Clean-up- Over 100 tons of debris was collected. 17.3 tons of metals, 3.3 tons of tires, and 84.0 tons of landfill items. The clean up was a success and helps keep unwanted debris from being dumped within the township.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) The regularly scheduled Pocono Township Planning Commission meeting for 5/26/2008 will be cancelled because of the Memorial Day holiday. The next P.C. meeting is 6/09/2008 at 7:00 p.m. at the Pocono Township Municipal Building.
- 2) Motion to forward Penn Dot a letter requesting that Pocono Township be placed on their Municipal Review List. J. Bramley made a motion, second by H. Werkheiser to forward a letter to Penn Dot requesting that Pocono Township be placed on their Municipal Review List. Roll Call Vote: J. Cilurso, yes; H. Werkheiser, yes; J. Bramley, yes. Motion carried.

J. Cilurso recognized the recent passing of Lorraine Anglemyer. She was well known within the community and the township sends its deepest regrets to her family and all who knew her.

RESPONSES AND COMMENTS:

Elwood Stettler, township resident, commented on rising taxes.
Frank Ruggiero, township resident, asked questions concerning the Swiftwater Inn property, the former Fanucci's restaurant, the future sewage system and the employee's contracts.
Dean Hartzhorn, township resident thanked the Supervisors for maintaining the fee in lieu instead of accepting unusable land for open space.

ADJOURNMENT: H. Werkheiser made a motion, seconded by J. Bramley to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m. until 6/02/2008. Motion carried

Respectfully submitted
Pamela Finkbeiner
Recording Secretary

Approved 6/02/08