

THURSDAY, November 5, 2015
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
ROARING BROOK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

The regular meeting of the Roaring Brook Township Board of Supervisors was held on Thursday, November 5, 2015 at 8:00P.M.at the Municipal Building on Blue Shutters Road. Present were Supervisors Tony Jordan, Robert Farischon and Eric Schield, Chief Don Hickey, Gerard Hetman from Lackawanna County, Sally Smith, Tom Snyder, John & Patricia Pallien, John & Lil Dippre, Nelson & Sarah Douaihy, Clifton & Diane Walls, Marianne Cummings, Gene Ruddy & Family, Monica Scaduto, Eric Jordan, AJ Magnotta, Paul Kozik Zoning Officer and Solicitor Joseph O'Brien.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Gerard Hetman from the County:
County Budget handouts – no tax increase for 2016.
- Sally Douaihy – Mary Golden's house status – contacting her insurance adjuster has not been successful. Solicitor said nothing is being done and the only recourse now is to take her to court.
- There are concerns about debris and swimming pool in backyard. Nothing can be done except file a lawsuit. Neighbors would like the Supervisors to follow through with the lawsuit because it has been almost one year since the fire.
- Zoning Officer Paul Kozik reported someone has offered to tear down her house and there's been no further action from Mary Golden.
- A **MOTION** by Farischon and seconded by Schield to **immediately start a lawsuit against Mary Golden for a public nuisance property.** Motion carried.
- Diane Walls said she has concerns about the oil run off from Ross property. Jordan said DEP is involved in the Ross case. Paul Kozik, Zoning Officer said he talked with Mrs. Walls in May of this year. He had 73 phone calls concerning the Ross complaints with neighbors and DEP. Mr. Ross has finally gotten the O.K. from his insurance company to clean up problem. Soil is going to be cleaned up. Soil from the house down to manhole is contaminated. Kozik would like to determine who owns the right of way. Solicitor says Township does not own property where the road was not continued as the original subdivision showed. Neighbors who had their wells tested would like the reports sent to them.
- A.J. Magnotta of Labella Company formerly Ceco Associates commented on the Gary Durkin home in Summit Woods regarding the driveway concern about the grade. The driveway is not built to the approved drainage and driveway permits. There is no issue where the driveway accesses the township road. Labella was asked to survey the built driveway to check for proper grades. Labella determined there are some spots over 14 degrees. The issue would be between Mr. Durkin and his contractor because the driveway is not designed what was approved. Township inspection of driveway is to review proper drainage where driveway meets roadway.
- A **MOTION** by Farischon, and seconded by Schield to **approve the Tom Snyder Subdivision.** Motion carried.

MINUTES & TREASURERS REPORT

- A **MOTION** to **accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 1, 2015** as presented, was made by Farischon and seconded by Schield. Motion carried.
- A **MOTION** to **accept the Accounts Payable and Payroll of November 5, 2015** as presented, was made by Farischon and seconded by Schield. Motion carried.
- A **MOTION** to **accept the Treasurer's Report of November 5, 2015** as presented, was made by Schield, and seconded by Farischon. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Landview Properties – bond for Summit Woods roads to be signed by Supervisors.
- Letter from Lackawanna County re: ATV activity on County owned land in Elmhurst Township. Land will be posted against trespassing and want the cooperation of our Police Department to help enforce this posting by increasing patrols in this area.
- Sample of lease agreement for police vehicle.

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- Roaring Brook Township Planning Commission does not recommend the proposed Zoning Change Amendment from WBD, Inc. to add maintenance garage as a conditional use in conservation zones of the township.
- Invitation to Donor Recognition Reception at the North Pocono Public Library on November 18, 2015.
- Copy of letter from Pennsylvania DEP of **Notice of Violation** regarding Ross property's issue of heating oil leaking into soil and groundwater from Ross's underground heating oil storage tank.
- Letter of resignation from Jolene Lamberti as Roaring Brook Township's Tax Collector effective December 31, 2015.

ACTION ON CORRESPONDENCE

- Resignation of Tax Collector Jolene Lamberti – it is mandatory for Real Estate Tax Collectors to take continuing education classes and it has to be done in Harrisburg.
- Letter from Lackawanna County re: ATV's – Township Police Department has been there on a regular basis. It is a good thing the land is going to be posted.
- Bond for Summit Woods roads is the warranty for roads.
- Jordan reported Township donates \$3000 annually to the North Pocono Public Library for the building fund.
- Roaring Brook Township Planning Commission letter is one of the steps toward a decision on the WBD Zoning request.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

- Report covered in Public Comment.

ROAD DEPARTMENT

- Report read and is on file.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

- Report read and is on file.

RECYCLING

- 9.4 ton for October, 114.4 ton YTD, that is 4.18 ton behind last year at this time.
- Recycling area improvement will cost a little over \$22,000. Re-invest Grant from County was \$15,000

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- Accepted heating oil bid from Plociniak's for 3 cents after rack price.

BUILDING PERMITS

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| • Nick Ross | New Home | Summit Woods |
| • Kenneth Motichka | Attached Garage | Jonslea Lane |
| • Elmhurst/Roaring Brook Fire Co. | New Building | Blue Shutters Road |
| • Wayne Troutman | Inground Pool | Windsor Hill |

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OLD BUSINESS

- None.

NEW BUSINESS

- None.

PUBLIC

- None.

ADJOURNMENT

- A **MOTION** by Schield, and seconded by Farischon was made **to adjourn at 9:35 P.M.** Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert L. Farischon, Secretary