

The regular meeting of the Wheatfield Township Supervisors was held Monday, February 2, 2009 in the Township Building. Jim Fuller called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Present were Bob Hines, Barry Schrope, Jim Fuller, Johanna Rehkamp, Vicki Jenkins, Lester Nace, Robert Noaker, Carlton Williams, Bob Foltz, Mitch Robb, Tom Burd, Dianne Dahlin, John Weldon, Barb Zeigler, Rebecca Gephart, Dale Meyer, Jeff Beinhower, Dave Mills, Joyce Swain, Ron Swain and Dave Jenkins.

Bob Hines led the pledge to the American flag. A brief moment of silence was observed after the pledge in honor of the men and women who serve our country in the armed forces.

The minutes of the January 5, 2009 meeting were presented to the supervisors and posted for attendees in the township building prior to the February 2, 2009 regular meeting for public viewing. Barry Schrope made the motion to approve the minutes as presented, Bob Hines second the motion, with all in favor.

Tom Burd of the New Bloomfield Fire Co. presented a letter to the supervisors inviting them to attend a meeting at the firehouse on February 26, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to receive input from municipalities regarding the planning of a new building.

Barb Zeigler would like to thank the supervisors for supporting the Perry CART program and for appointing her to the township planning commission for another term.

Dave Mills would like to thank the supervisors for their continuing support of recreation in the township.

Darrin Foster of Lou Harfords office presented the Phillip Vogel subdivision plan for approval. Darrin states this is a 2-lot subdivision. Darrin advises the township planning commission has reviewed the plan and has recommended approval of the plan and requested AOR's. The requested AOR's are 1 – Preliminary Plan Processing Procedures, 2 – Stormwater Management, 3 – Erosion & Sedimentation Control, 4 – Soils Analysis, 5 – Contours and 6 – Three Lots on a Private Right-of-Way. Barry Schrope made a motion to accept the AOR's as requested, Bob Hines second the motion, with all in favor. Bob Hines made a motion to approve the plan as presented contingent upon engineering fees being paid, Barry Schrope second the motion, with all in favor.

Darrin Foster of Lou Harfords office also presented the Violet Gilbert Estate subdivision plan for approval. Darrin states this is an 82-acre estate settlement and a lot addition. Darrin states the owner has requested 4 AOR's, 1 – Preliminary Plan Processing Procedures, 2 – Stormwater Management, 3 – Erosion & Sedimentation Control and 4 – Soils Analysis. Barry Schrope made a motion to accept the AOR's as requested, Bob Hines second the motion, with all in favor. Barry Schrope made a motion to approve the plan as presented contingent upon engineering fees being paid, Bob Hines second the motion, with all in favor.

The supervisors advise Leroy Beck has been mowing the small cemetery on Montebello Road for several years. The township sent him a check to help pay for the gas and the check has never been cashed. Mr. Beck was called and he has indicated he does not want paid for mowing the cemetery; he does it because he wants to. The supervisors state his dedication to the cemetery is very much appreciated.

The supervisors advise Dale Meyer has approached the board a couple of times with some recommendations concerning the township budget process. Mr. Meyer has given the township a sample of a detailed planning budget. The supervisors state they have looked over the recommendations and have spoken to the township auditors. The auditors feel the township has an adequate budgeting system and are pleased with the progress the township has made with investments. The supervisors advise at this time they are not interested in changing the budget process and appreciates Mr. Meyer's time and recommendations.

The Hoverter Foundation has sent the township an Agreement of Sale for the purchase of the 149-acre parcel. The Agreement of Sale is non-binding; if the township does not receive the grant money the agreement is void. Bob Hines made a motion to sign the Agreement of Sale, Barry Schrope second the motion, with all in favor.

A volunteer application has been received from Carlton Williams for the Recreation Board. Barry Schrope made a motion to appoint Carlton Williams to the Recreation Board for a 5-year term, Bob Hines second the motion, with all in favor.

Bob Hines made a motion for spring cleanup to be held Thursday, April 23 through Saturday, April 25, 2009. Hours of operation will be Thursday and Friday 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Saturday 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Jim Fuller second the motion, with all in favor. The supervisors asked Vicki to get several quotes for dumpsters.

The supervisors looked into the situation Ken Kline spoke of last month regarding guide rails being placed at Dellville Road and Pine Hill Road. The supervisors advise there is no need for a guide rail extension.

The supervisors spoke to the zoning officer about renaming/renumbering Linton Hill Road. Lester advises he will look into it.

Jim Fuller made a motion to approve the checks from the general fund for the month of January with each supervisor abstaining from approval on those they had a personal interest in. They were as follows:

15360 – 15406 and 12-2008, except 15366, 15376, 15378, 15394 and 15396, all five approved.

15366, 15376, 15394 – Bob and Barry approved, Jim abstained.

15378, 15396 – Jim and Bob approved, Barry abstained.

Barry Schrope second the motion to approve the checks, with all in favor.

There being no further business Jim Fuller made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Barry Schrope second the motion, with all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vicki L. Jenkins
Twp. Secretary