

**PERKIOMEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MONTHLY MEETING
MINUTES: APRIL 3, 2007**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Edward Savitsky, Acting Chairman
Richard Kratz, Member
Gordon MacElhenney, Member

ABSENT: William Patterson, Chairman
Dean Becker, Member

OTHERS PRESENT: Cecile Daniel, Township Manager
Kenneth Picardi, Township Solicitor
Pamela Stevens, Township Engineer
John Moran Jr., Code Enforcement Officer
John Moran Sr., Road Master (Absent)

MINUTES: The minutes of the March 6, 2007 Board of Supervisors meeting were approved as presented.

POLICE REPORT: There was no PA Police Report received for March.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- CPVRPC - March 12, 2007 meeting minutes.
- PADEP – Response to the TCE Letter
- Park & Recreation – Information given to the Board regarding the creation of a Park & Recreation Board and Rules and Conduct regarding Township owned property. The Board directed the Township Solicitor to review the proposed Ordinances.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT: Kenneth Picardi reported on the following: (1) Gates: Agreement has been signed by Mrs. Gates – **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Mr. Picardi requested an Executive Session to go over the agreement that was signed by Mrs. Gates to see if any changes need to be made.; (2) Betcher Road Maintenance Agreement: working on this; (3) Sacks: no activity; (4) Brookside Road – Mr. Picardi updated the Board and informed the Board that the Maintenance Bond has been extended for 6 months (until October 4, 2007). (5) HYK -**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Mr. Picardi requested an executive session to discuss pending litigation regarding the validity challenge to the Zoning Ordinance.

ROAD MASTER’S REPORT: John Moran Sr. was absent; therefore, he submitted his report for March to the Board prior to the meeting.

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CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT: John Moran Jr. submitted his March report to the Board.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT: The Planning Commission held their meeting on March 20, 2007. (1) **ALLIED WIRE & CABLE:** Gorski Engineering has a client who would like to construct a 70,000 sq.ft. building in the Iron Bridge Corporate Center. In order to construct this size building a portion of the property will be in Phase 3A (Lot # 10) of the development and the remainder will have to come from the phase that has yet to be subdivided. As a result, this proposal would be a subdivision plan as well as a land development plan. (2) **THP PROPERTIES:** T.H. Properties has filed an application to the Zoning Hearing Board for their encroachment into the steep slopes. The Planning Commission reviewed the application.

ENGINEERS REPORT: Pamela Stevens was present to review the following items:

- **2007 Road Project** – Based upon the discussion in March, Ms. Stevens reviewed the draft 2007 Road Improvements Projects. The project was split into three parts/phases. The first phase (Part A) included the following streets: Greenview Road, Yorktown Road, Regents Road, and a portion of Cranberry Boulevard, Forge Road, Brandywine Road, and Mayberry Road (from Township Line Road to the gate). The second phase (Part B) included the following streets: Mayberry Road (from the gate to Godshall Road), Acoma Lane, School House Road, and Liberty Alley. The third phase (Part C) included the miscellaneous items and the traffic signal. The Board discussed which roads they would like to consider as a Local Forces Project. The first area discussed were the roads listed that are located in the Cranberry Development. The second area discussed was Liberty Alley. Presently, Liberty Alley is a gravel roadway and the Board discussed paving Liberty Alley from Route 113 to Washington Street. The third area discussed was Mayberry Road. Phase A listed the area of Mayberry Road that lies between Township Line Road and the gate. This area is the worse section of Mayberry Road. The discussion was whether or not to add the second section of Mayberry Road. This second section lies between the gate and Godshall Road. Gordon MacElhenney mentioned that the guide rail in this section is in very poor condition and needs to be looked at. Ms. Stevens pointed out that, even though this section of Mayberry Road may be in fair condition, the Board should consider making it a part of this project. From a financial point of view, it would be less expensive combining these two sections of Mayberry Road as one project versus separating the project into two separate ones. In keeping the budgeted amount, Ms. Stevens informed the Board that the work on Acoma Lane and School House could be set aside for 2008. These two roads are in such a condition that they should be okay for one more year. Regarding the road work in Cranberry, both Ms. Stevens and Ms. Daniel recommended that a public meeting be held with the residents so that scope of the project can be discussed because it will affect a large number of residents. After discussion on the 2007 Road Project, Richard Kratz made

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a motion, seconded by

Gordon MacElhenney to proceed with the following: (1) repave all the roads listed in Part A; (2) add Liberty Alley to Part A; (3) add the section of Mayberry Road from the gate to Godshall Road to Part A and look into the condition of the guide rail; and (4) hold a public meeting with the residents in the Cranberry Development that will be affected by this project. It was agreed that this meeting will be held on May 8, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. in the Township Building. There were no public comments on the motion. The motion was carried by a unanimous vote of 3-0.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES: The treasurer read the receipts and expenditures for the month of March. After review of same, Richard Kratz made a motion seconded by Gordon MacElhenney to authorize payment of the March bills. There were no public comments on the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a vote of 3-0. Ms. Daniel mentioned that she has been working with the Cranberry Homeowners Association on adding an additional street light in the active recreation section of the Cranberry Development. Payment of a portion of the installation of this street light was a part of the 2007 Budget. PECO has submitted a proposal concerning installation of this street light. Ms. Daniel informed the Board that she is awaiting final acceptance from the Homeowners Association regarding payment of the balance of the installation cost before finalizing the agreement with PECO.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **FIRE POLICE SERVICES:** The Township was in receipt of a letter from Collegeville Borough regarding assistance by the Township's Special Fire Police. This assistance was requested to aid Collegeville Police Department with the graduation at Ursinus College. Gordon MacElhenney made a motion seconded by Richard Kratz to approve the request of Collegeville Borough. There were no public comments on the motion. The motion was carried by a unanimous vote of 3-0.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were two comments from the public. The first comment was regarding the amount of money to be paid for the Development Rights for the Gates Property. The second comment was the issue of trash at the gas station located at Route 113 and Route 29. Related to the gas station was the soil that is located in the containers. This soil testing was required by the PADEP for the gas station. In both cases, the comment was the Township should look into getting the owner to clean up the property. John Moran Jr. will look into this.

SUPERVISORS COMMENTS

Richard Kratz asked John Moran Jr. to look into the junk cars located on the property owned by

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Norman Hansel in Graterford.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned upon a motion made by Richard Kratz and seconded by Gordon MacElhenney.