

RICHLAND TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

March 5, 2008

PUBLIC MEETING

The Richland Township Board of Supervisors meeting held at the municipal building on Wednesday, March 5, 2008 was called to order at 7:00 PM. by Chairman Dankmyer. There were five people present in the audience. The Officials present were:

Herbert C. Dankmyer, Chairman
Raymond P. Kendrick, Vice Chairman
George P. Allen, Supervisor
Brian M. O'Malley, Supervisor

John A. Pasquinelli, Supervisor
Dean E. Bastianini, Township Secretary
Tina L. Shaw, Recording Secretary
Charles Means, Esquire

Mr. Kendrick made a motion to approve the minutes from the Supervisors' public meeting of February 20, 2008. Mr. O'Malley seconded the motion and it was approved by all. Mr. Allen abstained from voting since he was not present at the last meeting.

Mr. Dankmyer asked if anyone in the audience wished to speak about any items on or off the agenda. No one came forward.

Mr. Kendrick made a motion to approve the bills payable. Mr. O'Malley seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

CORRESPONDENCE

Paul Washington, President, NHCOC

A letter urging Richland to keep its commitment to transfer the Township's PEG grant to the North Hills Council of Governments.

The Supervisors decided to wait before taking any further action.

Robert J. Dunn, Sonic Franchisee

A letter requesting two modifications to the conditions of approval, established by the Board of Supervisors, for the land development plans to construct a Sonic restaurant on Lot #6R in the Grandview Crossing Plan. Upon recommendation from the Township Solicitor, the developer was advised that any deviation from the approved plan would require the revised plan to be submitted to the Planning Commission before the Board of Supervisors could consider any modifications.

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Mr. Kendrick made a motion informing the developer of the need to present a revised plan to the Planning Commission for review and recommendation. Mr. Pasquinelli seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Allegheny County Association of Township Officials (ACATO)

An announcement that the Association's Convention will be held on May 15, 2008 at the Treedale Country Club.

Mr. Kendrick made a motion authorizing the Supervisors to attend with the Township meeting the expenses for registration and dinner. Mr. Allen seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

The Secretary reported that three (3) hearings are scheduled for next month's Zoning Hearing Board: 1) Pine-Richland School District has applied for a variance from the zoning ordinance regarding the number of signs and the total area of signs at the new Upper Elementary School; 2) the Township has requested a variance to add 36 sq. ft. to the Northern Tier Library sign; and 3) the Board will consider a Special Exception application for a proposed Tractor Supply store on property owned by Frank Zottola.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Allen made a motion to award Contract No. 08-02, Dickey Road Area Sanitary Sewer Project, to Kukurin Contracting Inc. for the bid price of \$686,868.00. Mr. Kendrick seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Mr. Kendrick made a motion to award Devlin Painting the contract for the preparation and painting of the community barn at Richland Park for the bid price of \$6,785.00, which includes all materials. Mr. Allen seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Mr. Allen made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 8 of 2008 authorizing submission of an application to PennDOT for permission to install a banner across Route 8 and advertising. Mr. O'Malley seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Secretary reported on the following:

New Municipal Building - Progress is continuing on the construction of the new municipal building. Electricity has recently been installed. The first Supervisor's meeting to be held in the new building is tentatively scheduled for May 21, 2008 and an opening ceremony is being planned for June 11, 2008.

Administrative Code - Mr. Means and Mr. Bastianini are working on the changes.

Zoning Ordinance - A technical meeting with the consultant was held recently. An Ad Hoc Committee will take place to review the consultant's most recent recommendations.

The Secretary requested an executive session following the public meeting to discuss a concept that he has.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Mr. Means reported that the School District and Target have agreed to the settlement of a tax appeal case. The taxable value of the Target will be: 1) \$3,500,000 for 2007 and 2) \$7,000,000 for 2008. Mr. Kendrick made a motion to approve the settlement and to authorize the Solicitor to sign the Stipulation on behalf of the Township. Mr. Allen seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

Mr. Kendrick asked if the volunteer fire department would be affected by President Bush's proposal to cut back on fire department grants?

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Mr. Keally reported that North Pittsburgh Telephone Company is getting ready to install a satellite dish. He also reported that the fire department's pumper truck is back in operation.

Several residents made recommendations on the comfort of various chairs for the new municipal building which were placed throughout the meeting room for testing.

There being no further business the Supervisors adjourned to an executive session at 7:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina L. Shaw
Recording Secretary