

**RICHLAND TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**November 5, 2008**

**PUBLIC MEETING**

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

Herbert C. Dankmyer, Chairman

Raymond P. Kendrick, Vice Chairman

Brian M. O'Malley, Supervisor

John A. Pasquinelli, Supervisor

Dean E. Bastianini, Township Manager

Tina L. Shaw, Recording Secretary

Mr. Kendrick made a motion to approve the minutes of the Supervisors meeting of October 15, 2008. Mr. Pasquinelli seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Mr. Dankmyer asked if anyone in the audience wished to speak. Ms. Rhianna Pankhurst of 6036 Heckert Road, Bakerstown came forward. Ms. Pankhurst, who owns a barn which boards horses spoke in opposition to the proposed park regulations prohibiting horses on trails and roads. She stated that she wasn't aware of any problems with the horses in the park and said that she would have appreciated being notified. Ms. Pankhurst would like to continue to see the park remain open to horses. Ms. Pankhurst has contacted the Pennsylvania Equine Council who offers a trail master program which educates people on how to maintain the trails. Mr. Dankmyer suggested that Ms. Pankhurst meet with the staff to discuss the problems caused by horse riding, and to investigate possible solutions besides a prohibition. The Board tabled consideration of the regulations.

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

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Mr. Robert J. Young

2 Hillwood Drive

A letter commending the Township and Mr. Jeff Walzer for their quick response to a problem effecting his disabled spouse's ability to have access to their residence. He thanked Mr. Walzer for his resourcefulness in correcting the problem in record time.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Kendrick made a motion to authorize the Solicitor to advertise an ordinance amending the Transportation Capital Improvement Plan and increasing the TIF fees in the TSA-South District from \$1,250 to \$1,684. Mr. Pasquinelli seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

In order to comply with the MPC, the Transportation Impact Fee Committee will hold a public hearing on the proposal at 7:00 p.m. prior to the Planning Commission meeting scheduled for December 15, 2008.

Mr. Pasquinelli said that he was present at the TIF meeting on October 23, 2008 and was very impressed with how the meeting was conducted. He expressed appreciation for the serious and thoughtful deliberations that took place that evening. He also thanked Mr. Goetz for his in-depth presentation which was well received.

Mr. Kendrick made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 20 of 2008 implementing an Identify Theft Prevention Program for customers of the sanitary sewer system. Mr. Pasquinelli seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Mr. O'Malley made a motion authorizing the Chairman to execute Change Order No. G-9 deducting \$7,550.00 from the General Contract for the new municipal building. Mr. Kendrick seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

#### **COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD**

Mr. Pasquinelli reported on the following park field improvement projects.

- A proposal from the PRSBA requesting permission to have the infield tilled on Field #6 and re-graded with a laser. The Township's involvement would be to shave the lip around the infield by two to four feet, and placing the material along the right center outfield fence to eliminate the sloping. The Township would also cut the grass and ridges along the first and third base foul lines allowing for better drainage.
- A proposal from the PRUYFL to install sprinklers on Field #4 and #5.
  - PRUYFL shall be responsible for all installation costs.
  - PRUYFL shall be responsible for all water costs.
  - PRUYFL shall be responsible for winterization and spring start up of the sprinkler system.
  - PRUYFL shall be responsible for maintenance of the sprinkler system.
  - Controls for the sprinkler system shall be located inside the Field #4 concession/press box building.
  - Field distribution boxes shall be installed with locked covers.

- Employees of Richland Township shall be present during the installation of the sprinkler system and at all times when significant maintenance is performed on the system.
- Richland Township shall be in charge of the operation of the sprinkler system and shall have final authority to determine whether to run or not to run the system.

Following a discussion of the projects Mr. Pasquinelli made a motion approving both projects with the terms and conditions stated. Mr. O'Malley seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Mr. Bastianini reported that he was very proud of how well the new municipal building served as a polling place for the voters in the November 4<sup>th</sup> General Election. He also stated that he gained a greater respect for the Judge of Elections, Clerks and Inspectors who worked all day long to serve the voters, and acknowledged what a great job they did.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina L. Shaw  
Recording Secretary