

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Business Session  
December 6 , 2007

PRESENT ATTENDEES:

[ x ] Donald R. Lodge, Jr.,  
Chairman

[ x ] Lawrence C. Anderson,  
Secretary-Treasurer

[ x ] Charles W. Loughery

PRESENT ATTENDEES:

[ x ] Lillian McLaughlin,  
Township Administrator

[ x ] Wayne Mensinger  
Zoning Officer

[ x ] Others (See attached list)

Chairman Don Lodge called the meeting to order at 7:30 p. m.

Bills were approved for payment via Motion 07-106. Motion by Anderson, second by Loughery. Vote 3-0.

Wayne Mensinger, Zoning Officer, presented his zoning report for November. Two (2) permits were issued. One (1) swimming pool and one (1) accessory building. Total monies collected \$266.

Other monthly reports: Library report, State Police report and important correspondence were reviewed. Approved via Motion 07-107. Motion by Lodge, second by Loughery. Vote 3-0.

Don Lodge read the Planning Commission minutes for October 24:

Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance Revision

The Planning Commission reviewed the memorandum from Solicitor Bricker. It was agreed to accept the Solicitor's comments and incorporate his recommendations into the draft ordinance.

*Action:*

Next meeting November 13 to review the draft with all comments incorporated.

1. Correspondence was reviewed

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The 2008 Preliminary Budget was presented. Larry Anderson reviewed each line item. The total budget for 2008 is \$2,277,995. Motion 07-108, accepting preliminary budget. Final budget will be approved on December 27<sup>th</sup>.

Motion by Anderson, second by Loughery. Vote 3-0. Resolution # 07-1404. There will be no tax increase. 12 residents wanted explanations for many of the budget points denoted on the preliminary budget report. The proposed budget is 4% higher than the 2007 budget (\$1,219,000). The Supervisors assured the audience that this small increase in expenditures would not manifest itself as a tax increase. The millage will remain at 1.4 mills but the residents still had a number of issues with how the aforementioned money would be spent. A mill is a tax of \$1 for every \$1, 000 of property's assessed value.

The General Government Fund and the Highway Fund apportionments led the residents to question Supervisor Anderson's job status with the road crew. Anderson has been running the road crew since the death of Robert Rohland, and will have the ability to vote whether or not his position as road superintendent will become a full time position, which had some residents upset. The three supervisors informed the audience that Anderson would in fact be able to vote on the issue, but that their transparency of the issue should not be questioned. During the budget discussion there were questions regarding the recent hiring of Karen Landis. Supervisor Loughery answered many of the public's questions and was adamant the Board had done nothing wrong. The meeting continued at this level, and nothing was truly resolved. Barb Lynch, won the election in November for supervisor, and will take her seat in January. She stated she will not shy away from looking at budgetary issues once she is in office.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:40 p.m. Motion 07-109. Motion by Lodge, second by Loughery. Vote 3-0.