

**LOWHILL TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
JULY 5, 2012
MINUTES**

The regular monthly meeting of the Lowhill Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:30 pm in the Municipal Building by Chairman Eugene Weiner. Also present were, Member Frank Dengler, Administrator Reynold Reinert, Keith Strohl, Esq., Ryan Christman, Engineer, Secretary Jill Seymour and Kenny Bleiler, Reporter for the Northwestern Press. Vice Chairman, Richard Hughes was absent.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Frank Dengler moved to pay the monthly bills, as submitted. Eugene Weiner seconded. Frank Dengler moved to approve the June 7, 2012 meeting minutes, as written. Eugene Weiner seconded.

Executive Session: None.

Eugene Weiner opened the floor for public comment. Ms. Stephanie Brown was present to discuss an issue with the Gress Ranch, which borders the property in which she lives. Her complaint is that the Gress Ranch is having camps and children are coming onto her property. Reynold Reinert noted that the Gress Ranch is zoned recreational and if children are coming on her property, it is between the property owners and the Township does not get involved. Reynold also spoke with the owner of Gress Ranch, the children did cross over onto the Kristofix property and the chaperones were disciplined. The property lines were also more properly marked to ensure that it did not happen again. Reynold asked Ms. Brown if she owned the property, she stated that she did not, Mr. Kristofix is the owner and is handicapped. Ms. Brown is his caretaker. Keith Strohl asked if she has power of attorney for the property owner, she stated that she does but does not have the paperwork with her.

David Lear of Lehigh Engineers was present to discuss Cottage Gates. Dave Jaindl would like to buy lot 17 of Cottage Gates. David Lear is looking for a minor lot line adjustment. This would make several other lots a bit smaller. At this time, there is a conditional final approval on what has been submitted. Reynold said that the final plan will have to be revised and have it marked or do a complete new plan and come back and have it approved. Since it is not finalized at the courthouse, David Lear would like to see if he can do a minor lot line change. He would withdraw the conditions on the original plan. The DEP issues have not been resolved, David is working on those issues at this time. Keith Strohl said that since the Board hasn't signed off on the plan, David Lear can revise the plan as it is now, from a title stand point. David would submit a minor subdivision with the new lot line. Lot 17 would be on the final plan and then they can subdivide to Dave Jaindl. David will discuss with the Township Engineer and Solicitor to get their input. Gene Weiner would like to have lot 17 removed from the plan.

Elizabeth Roma: Major lot subdivision sketch plan dated 4/26/12 and waiver request for 2721 Post Road. Eugene Weiner moved to approve the sketch plan, Frank Dengler seconded. Reynold stated there is a problem with the staff to lot, supposed to be 75' when it goes around the corner, it goes down to 30'. The staff going into lot #5 will be changed to 75'. This is due to emergency vehicles getting to the property. Five driveways will be coming onto Post Road. They are asking for a waiver on lot #4. Eugene Weiner moved to accept, Frank Dengler seconded. Eugene Weiner moved to have the waiver request submitted in writing, Frank Dengler seconded.

Keith Strohl noted that there is nothing new concerning the Township Auditor issue, still waiting on the County. The title search on the Smuldis property came up clear, once the appraisal is complete, the gift can be received.

Ryan Christman said that Narris Road is still on schedule for November 2012. Should have plans and specifications by the next meeting. Winchester Road, the DEP will look at the new submission within a few days. North Lane Estates: Met with the contractor on July 3, 2012 to discuss options for the new road tie in to existing road.

Carl Kressley came up with a plan for the water issues on 6690 Hollenbach Road to put a storm box on either side of the driveway and put pipe under the driveway, approximately 200'. It will be 6" tile pipe. He will also clean out the dry well.

Technicom 6891 Horseshoe Road has submitted a temporary office trailer renewal. Owner is Jaindl. Frank Dengler moved to accept the renewal, Gene Weiner seconded.

Beck Property: 2249 Beechwood St. The home is vacant and the owner is not maintaining the property. Neighbors have been complaining about the overgrown grass. At this time, there is a notice on the door and when one of the neighbors called the number, they notified him that the property is on schedule to have the lawn cut within the next week.

Dumping on Township Roads: Keith Strohl said that we can go to the magistrate, as it falls under the 2nd class Township code section 2326. Reynold will handle this issue.

The 2012m Summer Convention will be held on August 10, 2012. All employees of Lowhill may attend.

Frank Dengler noted that the old Hendricks property on Route 100 has turned into a dump of sorts. They are burning on the property. Keith Strohl said that we need to prove who is dumping in order to do anything legal. Reynold will check on it. Jill will send a weed violation to the owner, Stephen Khier.

The Board of Supervisors have tabled the discussion on the Greenway plan, as well as the Weisenberg Burn Ordinance, due to Vice President Richard Hughes being absent. Those two items will be on the August agenda.

Eugene Weiner moved to adjourn. Frank Dengler seconded.

The Lowhill Township Board of Supervisors meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,