

**RYE TOWNSHIP
SUPERVISORS' SPECIAL MEETING
October 9, 2009**

PAGE 1 OF 2

PRESENT: Chairman Robert Lightner, Vice-Chairman, Ronald Evans, Supervisor Ken Quigley, Daisy Lightner, Secretary/ Treasurer, Mike Miller and Brad Sloop.

The meeting was held at the municipal building and called to order at 9:03 AM. Chairman Robert Lightner convened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance to the flag. The meeting was tape recorded to aid with the preparation of minutes.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: Since there were no citizens present, no citizen participation was offered.

NEW BUSINESS: The Board discussed improvements made to Dean's Gap Road and the need for additional shale. The Game Commission provided a small amount of shale for the roadway, but it was not enough to complete the entire road. A quote was received from Kitner Brothers for 12 loads of shale at \$180.00 per load totaling \$2,160.00. The road crew felt additional shale was needed to stabilize the area where the cartway was widened. Discussion ensued on acquiring shale from residents. Chairman Lightner offered to check on the availability of slag from Bethlehem Steel. Supervisor Quigley suggested the "wait and see" approach to evaluate how the road holds up after hunting season.

The Secretary/Treasurer reported that John from Womex contacted her this week to offer a discount of \$2,000 to settle the issues involving the paving of the front parking lot. Discussion ensued. It was noted that the cores were not patched and the joints were not sealed per the contract. Supervisor Quigley made a motion that the Board send Womex written correspondence accepting the discount of \$2,000 conditional upon the repair of the cores and sealing of all joints. Supervisor Evans seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

As directed by the Board, Supervisor Quigley reported that he reviewed the Statement of Interests, (SOI), received for the Pine Hill Road bridge replacement. Quigley discussed his listing and ranking of the SOI's received. Chairman Lightner and Supervisor Evans must now complete their listing before the October meeting. The ranking lists will be kept on file. The Secretary/Treasurer was directed to add the Pine Hill Road SOI's to the October 26, 2009 supervisors' meeting agenda. Supervisor Quigley plans to abstain from the vote because of his previous association with several of the engineering firms.

Chairman Lightner noted that Romayne Teats of 295 Pine Hill Road received a certified letter notifying her that representatives from the Township would be visiting her property to assess the amount of trailers and debris located on the said property to provide bid specifications for clean up and to assess the best way to access the property to provide the clean up of several trailers located up the hill from her residence. Supervisor Lightner will arrange for Officer Shoop to accompany the road crew a day next week.

Discussion ensued on 309 Pine Hill Road property, which was recently occupied. A final inspection and certificate of compliance was not issued from BIU. The Board directed the Secretary/Treasurer to write a letter to notify the occupants that a final inspection is needed and the advantage of having the inspection and compliance.

Chairman Lightner discussed the purchase and installation of possibly two additional culvert boxes on Lambs Gap Road this fall. The road crew will check Lambs Gap Road today and order the boxes from Monarch.

The Board discussed the material list for the Trout Lane project. It was the consensus of the Board to purchase the materials needed for the Trout Lane project in this budget year. Vendors suggested to acquire a quote for the purchase of the pipe and/or fabric were: 1) Chemung Supply 2) Crestline 3) Highway Supply 4) York Corrugated Pipe 5) Monarch. The Secretary/Treasurer will also contact Tom Graupensperger to see if he has any additional suggestions for vendors. The road crew will determine the size of the box needed for Trout Lane. The total number of culvert boxes need is three (3) with the two (2) boxes needed for Lambs Gap Road and the one (1) for Trout Lane.

Supervisor Quigley reported that a resident contacted him with concerns regarding the use of the future right of way along Trout Lane for a possible logging operation. Supervisor Quigley advised the resident to research and locate the owner of the future R-O-W and read the deed for use of the R-O-W. Supervisor Quigley advised the submission of a land development plan to the Planning Commission may be needed depending on how the R-O-W is used. The Secretary/Treasurer was directed to check the tax parcel disc to attempt to locate the owner of the R-O-W.

The Board discussed the situation with a request from Ron Watts of Idle Road to install a pipe across the driveway. Mr. Watts purchased the pipe, but the pipe was not installed. Since that time it was discovered that this is not a single driveway, but a private drive with two homes accessing from this private drive onto Idle Road. Therefore, two (2) additional pipes are needed totaling sixty (60) feet of parallel pipe. In addition, the easement agreement would need to be executed by all property owners. The question of maintaining piping of sixty feet (60') was a major concern. Upon further consideration, the Board directed the Secretary/Treasurer to send a letter apologizing that the original plan of action to install a single pipe at this location is not feasible. The 60 feet length of pipe would create a maintenance problem. The letter is also to include a suggestion that the property owner(s) contact the Susquenita School District regarding the maintenance issue with buses turning around at his private driveway.

Supervisor Evans asked if Township personnel were responsible for damages to the guide rail at the intersection of Heisley Road and SR 850. The road crew said the damages were caused by a recent car accident and no one from the Township was involved.

PERSONNEL BUSINESS: At this time, Chairman Lightner recessed the meeting at 10:04 PM to discuss personnel issues

RECONVENE THE MEETING: Chairman Lightner reconvened the special meeting at 10:39 AM explaining that personnel issues were discussed with the road crew.

ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING: With no further business or discussion before the Board, Chairman Lightner made a motion with a second from Supervisor Quigley to adjourn the special meeting at 10:40 am. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Daisy Lightner, Secretary/Treasurer