

**PENN TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES  
Wednesday, February 20, 2008**

The Penn Township Board of Supervisors held their work session on Wednesday, February 20, 2008 at the Penn Township Building, 260 Lewis Road, West Grove, PA at 6:00 p.m.

**Present:**

Curtis Mason, Chairman	Jack Wuerstle Esq.- Big Elk	Rick Mitchell, Esq., Verizon
Harold Bram, Vice Chairman	Tim Smith, Iacobucci Homes	Seth Blonder, Esq. Verizon
Victor Mantegna, Supervisor	Todd Darlington, Verizon	R. Samuel Michael, Esq.
Robin Marcello, Supervisor	Chris Brennan, Verizon	Spence Andress
Stan Wolenski, Office Manager	Tiffany Schoen, Verizon	Residents

1. **Call To Order:** After salute to the flag, Chairman Mason opened the Meeting at 6:00 p.m.
2. **Approve Meeting Minutes:** Victor Mantegna made a motion to approve the minutes of February 6, 2008. Seconded by Harold Bram – all in favor.
- 4A. **Treasurer's Report/ Approve Bills:** Motion to approve by Mr. Mantegna. Second by Ms. Marcello. All in favor.
- 4B. **Planning Commission:** No report.
- 4C. **Road Master's Report:** No report.
- 4D. **Sewer Plant Operations:** No report.
5. **Professional Service Items:** None.
- 6A. **Connecting Road:** Spence Andress advised the area of the connecting road was very limited and not very usable. He felt the DEP would be against the road construction. Messrs. Wuerstle and Smith discussed the effect of the road construction on their respective clients. Mr. Smith felt the stub road should go in on the Bartels side but be barricaded. Mr. Mason suggested that the engineer do a study of the soil conditions beneath the road and provide design information. Mr. Mantegna expressed his concern about safety issues with no connecting road. Mr. Mason stated that if the road is not built, then money should be placed with the Township in the General Fund. Both parties agreed to leave the proposed road on the plan but not begin construction until the DEP issue is resolved.
- 6B. **Cable TV Ordinance:** Mr. Mantegna requested the Agreement be amended to correctly identify Penn Township as being located in Chester County to avoid confusion with other similar named Townships throughout the State. He raised concerns about the agreement term, the service area, cost recovery issues, limits on franchise fees, service dates and credits to be given to customers for no service. Verizon representatives responded to each issue. Verizon staff stated

that customers who cancel will have their equipment picked up by a Verizon truck or could use a return mailer that Verizon will provide. Mr. Mason stated the roads could not be cut open. Mr. Darlington will refer the issue to their engineering staff. For phone service cancellations, Verizon will cut and leave copper line at a demarcation box to enable customers to select another telephone carrier. Mr. McMichael noted that Exhibit "A" listing facilities with free service needed further negotiation as the Board would like free service be given to the various entities throughout the Township. Mr. Blonder stated only municipal buildings qualified for free service.

Mr. McMichael recommended the Board enact the Ordinance and sign the Agreement subject to further negotiation between the attorneys. Motion by Mr. Mantegna to enact the Ordinance and sign the Agreement subject to further negotiation of paragraph 3.3. Second by Mr. Bram. All in favor.

- 6C. **Lewis Road Parcel:** Mr. Mason requested and received permission from the Board to further negotiate with Jenners Pond about the parcel purchase price. He stated the Solicitor had no objections to his involvement.
- 6D. **RE Jennersville 2nd Entrance:** The Board directed Stan Wolenski to send a letter to the Solicitor advising that there was no interest in a second entrance as proposed by the applicant.
- 6E. **Ovations Signs & Deck Memo:** Mr. Mason summarized his discussion with Mr. Smith and Ray Iacobucci in regard to the street signs. The Township is willing to let the existing signs remain if the Homeowners Association assumes financial responsibility for their replacement expense. If a sign is damaged or missing, the Township will provide standard temporary street signs for safety purposes with the understanding that permanent signs will be immediately ordered to replace the temporary Township sign. The sign expense would be paid by the HOA. Mr. Smith will speak with management at Iacobucci Homes and the HOA in order to firm up an agreement. It was agreed to leave the matter open for further discussion after Mr. Smith finalizes his discussions with Mr. Iacobucci.

After further discussion with Mr. Smith on the Deck issue, it agreed by the Board that the matter be referred to the Solicitor for further review and discussion. Mr. Mantegna motioned to amend the Zoning Ordinance section 1503 upon review by the Solicitor. Second by Mr. Bram. All in favor.

- 7A. **Sign Ordinance:** Mr. Mason stated it would be beneficial to begin a review of the sign Ordinance. He suggested getting sign ordinances from other municipalities for study.

- 7B. **Big Elk 90 Day Extension:** Motion by Mantegna to approve. Second by Marcello. All in favor.
- 7C. **Avon Grove High School Parents Association Donation:** Mr. Mantegna motioned to authorize a \$500.00 donation to the Parents Association for the annual prom party. Second by Mr. Bram. All in favor.
- 7D. **Resolution 2008-04:** Mr. Mantegna motioned to approve the Resolution re-appointing Mr. Dockstader to the SECCRA Board. Second by Ms. Marcello. All in favor.
- 10. **Public Comment:** Resident Chris Pedersen questioned the status of the Storm Water and Lighting Ordinances. The Board responded that the Storm Water Ordinance was near completion by the Solicitor and the Planning Commission. The Lighting Ordinance was also at the Solicitor's office awaiting a final review.
- 11. Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Mantegna with a second by Mr. Bram.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
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