

## Cadmus TWP Planning Commission Dec 8

The meeting opened with the pledge to the flag. Members present were Donald Ballinger Tom Moore Rich Sechrist Jim Bailey Richard Masimare and the Board Solicitor Gilbert Malone. The room was filled to capacity with concerned citizens.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. A list of those attending the meeting is attached to the minutes.

Mr Charles Pitts an entomologist from Penn State was present to supply information on flies due to the problem in the TWP.

One type of fly is the stable fly which tends to bite. They breed and are present mainly in dairy feed lots and in areas of large bale storage.

The blow fly tends to supply maggots to eat carrion.

The face fly tends to be a problem with pasture animals.

The cluster fly develops inside of earth worm. The common house fly is about everywhere and is probably the main problem.

Ground tillage or incorporation of manure within one to 2 days of application will not eliminate the problem but will definitely help. Flies can be considered a health hazard because they can carry disease.

Blow flies usually are associated with carrying disease.

Mulch piles and lawn clippings will produce flies. The possibility of treating the manure before spreading. It may be necessary to work with home owners and farmers to find the source of the problem.

There is also an increase of home density as well as concentration of farming in the area. The manure storage is not as long now as it used to be. The Twp may consider arranging with Charley Pitts to work in the area this spring.

Paula Denton presented a petition to the board on behalf of the group of concerned people of the TWP. a copy of which is attached to the minutes.

There were public comments and questions.

Rich Keller had a question about whether the TWP was going to be rezoned.

Mahlen Martin also had some questions.

The group presenting the petition would like to have action in 30 days. Solicitor Malone explained that this would not be possible. Any ordinance change would have to go before the supervisors after recommendation are made by the board.

The next meeting will be Jan 26

Jerry Bueiding talked about the fact that there are other issues to be concerned about also such as cans & bottles being thrown in the fields by careless motorists, and insects and ~~and~~ predators coming in from areas other than the farms.

Linda Rabbaugh, a North Codons TWP resident discussed her problems with fly infestation every time chicken manure is applied near her property.

The commission agreed to hold a special work meeting to study these problems. Information from this meeting attached to the minutes.

Other board business is as follows.

Mrs Melvin Bittner was present to explain a hardship case. She needs 2 1/2 acres for 2 handicap children. The former Huddle Stone property is the location she would like to put 2 trailers on the property. She was told to contact the zoning officer. The board will recommend approval.

Bab Swartz from Shaffers Church road has an undersize lot of less than 1/2 acre. He would like to purchase .6 acre from Randy Phillips to bring his lot size to one acre. He was told this could be done.