

July 10, 1991

The Codorus Township Board of Supervisors met in regular session on July 10, 1991 at 7:30 P.M. in the Township office. Board members present were: Lamar Glatfelter, Leroy Thoman and Charles Wehrly. Others present were: Solicitor John Herrold, Irvin Rappoldt, Mahlon Stambaugh, James Bailey, Rick Sechrist, Mr. & Mrs. Gene Burton, Arthur Wachter, Frank Mitchell and Mr. & Mrs. George Grimm.

Chairman Glatfelter opened the meeting with the Pledge to the Flag.

The minutes were approved as written.

Irvin Rappoldt gave the report of building permits issued during the month of June. Mr. Rappoldt reported that the Stone Church membership wants to know if the barn on the property could be used as a recreation area. The barn is no longer used for farm products storage. The Board has no objections, but asked Mr. Rappoldt to bring this request before the Township Planning Commission.

Also, Mr. & Mrs. Gene Burton were present regarding subdividing their farm. They propose to deed approximately 20 acres to their son for collateral to Farm Credit for a chicken house to be built that would house 20,000 chickens. The Board told Mr. & Mrs. Burton that a minimum of 50 acres would be required, but for them to attend the next Planning Commission meeting to get its opinion. The Burtons own 197 acres and have two building quotas remaining. One building quota would need to be assigned to the land taken off for the chicken operation.

Irvin Rappoldt asked the Board to consider a donation to the Southern York County Coalition when making the 1992 budget. The Coalition is in need of money.

Irvin also reported that the State is proposing to adopt a State wide building code and the Board should write to the State representatives if it is opposed to such a code.

Solicitor Herrold reported that he had been in touch with Corporal Nelson Roth of the PA. State Police regarding the fireworks stored at the Paige F. Reed property which is just off Greenmount Church Road. Corporal Roth says there are no State laws regarding the storage of fireworks and that Mr. Reed seems to be in conformity with Federal Laws, but will check further regarding Federal laws.

Leroy Thoman thinks fireworks are also being stored in the barn at the property and asked Irvin to check on this. Also, the Board feels that the local fire companies should be aware of the fireworks storage at this property.

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Arthur Wachter, owner of the former Lewis Walker farm along Rt.851, was present regarding subdivision. A few years ago members of the Planning Commission made a site inspection of the property and discussed taking two lots off across from the present house, using one acre each, or more if needed for a driveway and septic system, leaving the balance of the five to five and one-half acres with the balance of the farm.

Mr. Wachter would like to use all of the land across the road for two lots, the existing house and approximately 3.3 acres, with one building right remaining with the balance of the land (81.2 acres). The Board feels this is a feasible proposal, but asked Mr. Wachter to bring this before the Township Planning Commission for its recommendation.

Frank Mitchell owns 22.6 acres along Rockville Road, none of which is good farm ground. He now has a house and 2 mobile homes on the property. These were all there at the time the Zoning Ordinance was adopted. He is proposing to remove one mobile home and build a new home across the road from his present residence. He would either use all the land across the road for the new home or whatever amount the Township would allow. He does not plan to sell any portion of the property. Mr. Mitchell was asked to get the Planning Commissions recommendation on this before proceeding.

Mr. & Mrs. George Grimm were present. Mr. Grimm reported that his neighbors, Michael & Trudy Jones have erected a building on their property which is only 18 inches from his property line. The Joneses were using this building for horses and running the manure onto the Grimm property. He wanted to know what the setback lines are for a building. The Board will ask Irvin Rappoldt to check this out. and if the Joneses are in violation, Irvin should give them orders to correct the violation.

Mahlon Stambaugh reported that he had performed eight percolation tests for Philip Wagner who owns land in the rural residential area along Sinsheim School Road. Four of the lots are along the road and four are on a cul-de-sac. Mr. Wagner has not filed a plan with the Township for this subdivision.

Solicitor Herrold reported that he has not heard anything from the Pine Valleys Farms residents regarding the Sponheimer dog problem.

He also stated he had a copy of the proposed agreement which Jefferson Borough has prepared regarding police coverage of lands in Codorus Township and owned by the Borough. The agreement has been changed to Solicitor's Herrold's approval, but cannot be signed by the Township until an Ordinance is adopted. This ordinance could be ready for adoption at the August 14 meeting. An ordinance is required for an Intergovernmental Police Protection agreement.



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Solicitor Herrold will draft a resolution for adoption for the change of Shaffer Road to Rice Road. The Board wishes to change Shaffer Road to Rice Road due to emergency vehicles getting Shaffer Road confused with Shaffer Church Road. Residents along Shaffer Road that have been contacted say they have no objections to this change.

The Board and Solicitor Herrold discussed the abandonment of portions of township roads that are no longer in use. C.S. Davidson has prepared the surveys of the portions to be abandoned. An ordinance will need to be adopted and all the land owners affected will have to be notified. This work will take a few months to prepare.

Charles Wehrly made a motion to issue two road occupancy permits to General Telephone, seconded by Leroy Thoman. This motion passed.

A letter was read from Perry Kroh of Glen Rock, asking for a donation to help pay for the relocation of the emergency siren in Glen Rock. Lamar Glatfelter will call Mr. Kroh for more information before taking any action on this request.

The new road construction on Shaffer's Church Road is not satisfactory to the Board since there are several bumps that cause much noise when vehicles hit them. Charles Wehrly will talk to Harry Brose of Roadite to see what can be done about this problem before paying the bill for the work.

The Board discussed line painting for the new portion of Shaffer's Church Road. Charles Wehrly has received a quote of 6¢ per foot. He will check with the State to see if a single line would be allowed.

The secretary gave Ruth Baer's tax report for the month of June. Mrs. Baer asked that real estate tax refunds be made to Elmer & Treva Myers and Jacob & Marion Sterner. Lamar Glatfelter made a motion to refund these overpayments, seconded by Charles Wehrly. This motion passed.

The bills were presented to the Board. Leroy Thoman made a motion to pay the bills, seconded by Lamar Glatfelter. This motion passed.

The secretary reported that Donald Bortner had applied for a Hardship Permit for his parents, Levi & Hilda Bortner.

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 P.M. on motion by Charles Wehrly and second by Leroy Thoman.

Respectfully submitted,

*Goldie Day*  
Goldie Day, Secretary