

April 8, 1992

The Codorus Township Board of Supervisors met in regular session on April 8, 1992 in the Township office. Board members present were: Lamar Glatfelter, Charles Wehrly and James Bailey. Others present were Solicitor John Herrold, Mahlon Stambaugh, Rick Sechrist, Mr. & Mrs. Harry Sterner, Randy Sterner, Paige Reed & April Frederici, Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Wayland, Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Wright, Mr. & Mrs. Harry Fourhman, James Miller and Donna Berlin.

Chairman Glatfelter opened the meeting with the Pledge.

The minutes were approved as written.

A hearing had been advertised for the proposed Ordinance that would vacate and adopt certain portions of roads within the Township. Chairman Glatfelter asked if anyone wished to be heard regarding this proposed ordinance. Harry and Esther Sterner had a couple of questions that were answered to their satisfaction. There being no other comments regarding this proposed ordinance the hearing was closed.

James Bailey made a motion to adopt Ordinance 92-1 seconded by Charles Wehrly. This motion passed. This ordinance vacates and abandons portions of certain roads within the Township and adopts as public roads of Codorus Township a portion of certain roads within Codorus Township.

Charles Wehrly made a motion to adopt Ordinance 92-2, seconded by James Bailey. This motion passed by unanimous vote. This is an ordinance establishing stormwater management regulations for the Codorus Creek Watershed.

Mary Wayland, a township resident living in the Pine Valley Farms development was before the Board regarding problems with the neighbors dogs. Bonny and Francis Sponheimer had a large Chesapeake Bay Retriever wander onto the Wayland property on Sunday, March 22. The dog would not leave from calls by someone at the Sponheimer property. Finally some male person from the Sponheimer property came over and got the dog. Mrs. Wayland is afraid of the large dogs the Sponheimers keep and since she keeps her two year old grandchild, she is very concerned about the child's safety. The Sponheimers have approximately 9 dogs on their property. Mrs. Wayland had called Harold Snyder, the County dog law officer. He came out after a couple of days, but Mrs. Wayland stated that he doesn't give her any satisfaction regarding her problem with the dogs.

The Board told Mrs. Wayland that it has never been proven that the Sponheimers operate a kennel and that there is not much the Township can do regarding this problem. It is more of a problem for the dog law officer.

Mrs. Wayland has an attorney and also is getting a permit to carry a gun.

She refused to give the name of her attorney to Solicitor Herrold. Kenneth and Gladys Wright also commented on the nuisance the Sponheimers dogs are causing in the neighborhood. The barking causes them to lose sleep and no one near can enjoy a quiet Sunday afternoon because of the barking.

Solicitor Herrold told the Waylands, Wrights, and Fourhmans that the Township cannot respond to every citizen complaint, since there are certain latitudes for the Township to operate under.

The Sponheimer neighbors wanted to know what they can do to get the Township laws regarding dogs changed. They feel that the number of dogs allowed on a property should be limited.

Mahlon Stambaugh gave the report of septic permits issued during the past month. He also reported that one of the Forbes lots along Valley View Drive is under contract with financing through the Farmers Home Administration which requires a second percolation test. Mr. Stambaugh cannot do the second test until the fee has been paid.

There was some discussion regarding protecting percolation holes on lots until building takes place. A notice will be given the subdivider, stating that he is responsible for protecting the holes until the system is installed.

Paige Reed and April Frederici were present at the request of Solicitor Herrold. Solicitor Herrold told Mr. Reed & April that the storage of fireworks is not a permitted use in the agricultural zone. Mr. Reed said he would not want to store fireworks in a built-up commercial zone. He feels it is best to store them in an area that is not built up.

Solicitor Herrold gave three different options for Mr. Reed:

- (1) He could have a zoning hearing for an interpretation to find out if this type of storage is a permitted use in the Agricultural Zone
- (2) The Board could amend the Township Zoning Ordinance to allow the storage of fireworks as a permitted use in the Agricultural zone.
- (3) Stop Mr. Reed from storing fireworks at his property.

Mr. Reed reported that he has all State & Federal permits required for his business. These are strict laws that he must abide by. He has an annual inspection and runs a clean, non-polluting business. He has notified the Glen Rock and Jefferson fire companies about this storage.

Solicitor Herrold has spoken with someone at PA. D.E.R. and told that their regulations do not supersede the local ordinances. Mr. Reed does not feel that he is in violation of any Township ordinances.

The board members are in agreement to try to come up with a solution that will accommodate Mr. Reed and will be discussing this with Solicitor Herrold.

Dave Reed of Chadwick Court has some complaints about the spreading of hog manure in the Township. When the manure from the large hog operations is spread, the odor is almost unbearable. He doesn't want to complain since he realizes that there must be farming in the area, but he is concerned about the problem increasing if more operations are started.

James Bailey, owner of a hog operation, stated that he is doing everything he can to minimize the odor problems. They try to haul when it's cold outside and they never haul on Holidays. He doesn't want the problem to get any worse and will do all that is possible to minimize the odor when spreading the manure.

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Three other residents in addition to Mr. Dave Reed had called the Township complaining about the spreading of the manure from Mr. Bailey's hog operation. They will follow up with written complaints.

James Miller had a question regarding the vacating of a portion of the old S.R. 516 that at one time went through the Miller property. He has a 20 ft. right-of-way from Rt. 516 to his property that other residents use. He was told that this should not cause any problems.

Randy Sterner reported on a quarterly emergency management meeting that he attended and had a brochure that suggests that everyone has a family plan for emergencies. He will try to get the adjoining municipalities to join in meeting with him to come up with an Emergency Operations Plan.

The secretary was asked to send a letter to Steven Webster, telling him that the Township feels his burned out property is a hazard that he must do something about.

Jim Bailey reported that Frank Barrick has told him that the Jefferson Sportsmans' Club has done nothing to correct the problem at the driving range. Lamar Glatfelter will contact someone regarding this.

The bills were presented to the Board. James Bailey made a motion to pay the bills, seconded by Charles Wehrly. This motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 10:20P.M. on motion by Charles Wehrly and second by Lamar Glatfelter.

Respectfully submitted,

Goldie Day

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Secretary