

June 3, 1993

The Codorus Township Board of Supervisors met in regular session on June 3, 1993 at 7:30 P.M. in the Township Building. Board members present were: Lamar Glatfelter, James Bailey and Charles Wehrly. Others present were: Mr. & Mrs. Rick Sechrist, Jeff Brown, Patrick Fero, Leslie Mettee and about fifty-two residents comprised of farmers and those having fly problems.

Chairman Glatfelter opened the meeting with the Pledge.

The minutes were approved as written. The treasurer's report for May was presented to the Board members.

Leslie Mettee, a resident living along Sportsmans Club Road, had circulated notices to area residents, asking that they attend this meeting to discuss the fly problem in the area.

Mrs. Mettee stated that the fly problem has gotten out of control and asked the Board if there was any solution to the problem. The flies are so bad at her property that windows cannot be left open; they cannot have cookouts, cars get full of flies if windows are left open; the flies hang all over the buildings.

Supervisor James Bailey served as spokesman for the Board. He agreed that this spring has been a bad year for flies. This problem can be attributed to the weather for one thing. The chicken farmers in the area do not have a problem with flies in their chicken houses. He also told those present that flies do not breed in liquid manure such as hog manure from the hog farmers. Straw manure is a good breeding place for flies, and anyone with a small number of animals with packed manure could contribute to the fly problem.

Mrs. Mettee stated that they have lived at their present property for 17 years, and this is the worst year for flies.

Mr. Bailey thinks that one reason the problem has gotten worse is because the State does not allow certain insecticides any longer. He told those present that they should get spray at one of the farm stores - one such spray is Apache. Mrs. Mettee reported that she has spent a lot for sprays but the problem continues.

Marlyn Myers reported that manure spread on fields near their home laid on the ground for days before being trenched under.

Mr. Bailey told Mrs. Mettee that he had received complaints from residents concerning her putting the flyers in their mail boxes. She apologized for doing this.

Mr. Bailey said he was visited by a DER person that did an inspection of his chicken & hog operation after DER was contacted by Mrs. Mettee regarding the fly problem. DER found his properties to be in compliance and free of flies.

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The residents were told that, if a neighbor is causing the problem, talk to the neighbor and see what can be done about the problem.

Scarlett Alban said she just had her toddler son to the doctor today and the doctor found his body to be covered with fly bites. The fly problem is very, very bad at their property which is just off Buffalo Valley Road. Scarlett would like to know where the flies are coming from and what can be done. She has tried spraying, which doesn't seem to help.

Laura Fagan said she was very glad that Mrs. Mettee put the flyers out regarding this meeting, otherwise they would not have know anything about the meeting. She thanked Mrs. Mettee for wanting to find some solution to the problem.

All the residents who spoke would like to know where the flies are coming from and what can be done. One resident asked if the Board could put together a page of guidelines for those affected.

The residents were told to use sprays - no other solution was discussed.

Chairman Glatfelter thanked the large crowd for the orderly manner in which they had conducted themselves.

Patrick Fero had some remarks regarding the Southern York County Regional Planning Commission, stating the purpose and goals of the Commission.

Jeff Brown of the Southern York County Recreation Commission spoke on the plans for a regional recreation commission for the municipalities in the Southern York County School District. A lot of research has gone into the need for such a recreation commission and the the advantage of all the municipalities joining together and sharing in the cost. There could be some grants available through the Department of Community Affairs for starting a recreating program. Each municipality would be responsible for helping to fund the commission under a formula to be worked out. There would be a director hired to work full time in getting programs for all ages started. This director would work with other volunteer recreation programs now in existence and try to coordinate all the programs.

The Board will study the proposed By-Laws for the Southern York County Recreation Commission before making any decision regarding going along with the the proposal.

The planning module for the George Hartenstein IV subdivision plan was approved for sending to D.E.R. on a motion by Charles Wehrly and second by James Bailey. Motion carried.

Lamar Glatfelter made a motion to charge the subdivider \$50.00 when a Form C is required by D.E.R. and to pay this \$50.00 to the S.E.O. for doing the certification needed. James Bailey seconded this motion. The motion carried.

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The secretary reported that Donald Bollinger's term on the Planning Commission had expired the end of May. This appointment will be taken care of at the June 9th meeting.

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

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 P.M. on motion by Charles Wehrly and second by Lamar Glatfelter.

Respectfully submitted,

Goldie Day

Goldie Day, Secretary