

Sheshequin Township Planning Commission

July 2, 2003 Minutes

meeting location: Sheshequin Township Office

ATTENDANCE: Commission Members present: Jody Stroud, Rob Sweppenheiser, Laura Blain, Marshall Fuller, Ty Reynard, Skip Smith, Bob Whipple; absent: Roberta Sabitus-Place. Also present: Greg Grenier.

The meeting was opened at 7pm by Jody Stroud.

PRIOR MINUTES: Minutes from the prior meeting were distributed; a Reynard/Whipple motion was passed to approve the June 4, 2003 minutes as distributed.

PUBLIC COMMENT: In speculating why Roberta was not present this evening, it was shared that Roberta will be resigning as Supervisor and Planning Commission member because of moving out of the township. Nothing official has been presented yet.

Greg had been invited to this meeting as a potential replacement for Jason Wanck, but no official action has been taken by the Supervisors yet on his appointment

COMMUNICATIONS:

A letter was received from Keith Hite encouraging township officials to write a letter of support for the budget increase in the gas tax. No recommendation was made, as this is a supervisory issue.

OLD BUSINESS:

Creek Erosion: There was some discussion about the situation, it is uncertain what the Supervisors intent is. Ty had been planning to assist with permit applications, but Ron Rogers was told not to proceed.

Other Township Plans: We are still seeking to view completed plans from other townships; Rob will check with Asylum this month.

Driveway Permits: This was not brought up at the Supervisors meeting as we requested. Marshall was asked to remind the supervisors to consider this recommendation, with the caveat that fees be kept reasonable.

NEW BUSINESS:

Subdivision reviews:

Charles & Ann Raupers, trailer on property: On the sewage module for a 2nd septic, it appears that the septic site isolation area overruns the creek, and we cannot locate the proposed well referenced in the narrative. There is also concern about the "waiver requested" (and wonder if we've overlooked that on others in the past.) We need more information from the Raupers' and from the Sanitation Department.

Joseph Chaffee, 23.52 acre division off of 235.2 acre farm: Computing the total acreage on the map does not agree with amount stated in the narrative; State Route 1049 on the map should be SR 1043; and we do not understand what the waiver is about (same as in Raupers'.) Rob will call Mary at Bradford County Sanitation.

We discussed the need to have applicants present when subdivisions are presented for

consideration, in order to have what might be simple questions resolved. Otherwise, the process takes longer.

Training: Ty noted that the 'Municipal Planning Made Easy' training session that three of us attended recently (Ty, Rob, and Laura) was very beneficial, and recommends more members take advantage of training opportunities as they are presented.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Next meeting: August 6, 2003, 7:00pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Laura Blain, Planning Commission Secretary