

**LONDONDERRY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S REGULAR  
MEETING  
Tuesday, June 10, 2008**

The meeting of the Londonderry Township (LDT) Board of Supervisors (BOS) was called to order at 7:34 PM by Supervisor-Chairman Richard Brown. Supervisors Richard Brown and Midge Leitch were present.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:** None

**MINUTES OF May 27, 2008 BOS II:** As the Minutes had previously been emailed to the BOS, reviewed, and found to be satisfactory, Richard Brown made a motion to approve the Minutes of 05-27-2008 as written. Midge Leitch seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** As Howard Benner was not present, Richard Brown read excerpts from the May, 2008 Final Treasurer's Report. It was explained that Mr. Benner has called Sovereign Bank in regard to an early pay off of the Open Space loan. Sovereign Bank has not yet responded, but Mr. Benner does not anticipate any problems. Midge Leitch made a motion to accept the May, 2008 Final Treasurer's Report as written and Richard Brown seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

**TOWNSHIP REPORTS:**

- A. Zoning Officer/Building Inspector Reports:** The Supervisors reviewed the May, 2008 Zoning Report (dated 06-10-2008) as submitted by Bill Beers and Richard Brown read excerpts aloud. Fourteen (14) Building Permits were issued and three (3) Building Permits are pending plan review. One (1) Shed Permit and one (1) Road Occupancy Permit were issued. Total fees collected for all permits totaled \$12,971.19 and \$4,600.00 in construction inspection fees were collected. Six (6) Use & Occupancy Permits were issued and sixteen (16) various construction inspections were conducted. Mr. Beers met with the New Daleville builders, the Architect's representative (LRK-Looney Ricks & Kiss), and Supervisor Richard Brown in an effort to resolve construction issues raised by Mr. Scott Andress in his letter received April 30, 2008. It was decided that prior to Mr. Beers issuing any building permits for New Daleville a memo will be forwarded from LRK to the Zoning Office indicating the design meets the criteria established in the Ordinance. In another matter, Mr. Beers asked for and received permission from the BOS for the LDT Treasurer to issue a check payable to District Court 15-03-07 in the amount of \$163.10 for civil enforcement of a problem with unlicensed vehicles, trash, and litter at 198/200 Baker Road as there has been no response to registered letters sent to the property owners.
- B. Roadmaster:** Richard Brown stated that Allen Reynolds has received approval from PennDot to use liquid fuels money for the scratch coat/tar

and chip maintenance work on the LDT roads as specified during the 2008 Road Maintenance Inspection. Bob Johnston, LDT engineer, will coordinate all aspects of the work with Mr. Reynolds. Supervisor Leitch stressed that prior to any work being initiated the affected residents must be notified. In addition Secretary Janice Hearne was directed to place a notice about the road maintenance work on the LDT website.

- C. Emergency Management (EM):** No Report.
- D. Planning Commission (PC):** Bob Johnston reported a representative of Lake Roeder Hillard & Associates (Ms. Laura Swiski) made a presentation regarding West Wind Farms. There will be four (4) less units than on prior plans and all lots, excluding one, will now be one (1) acre lots. Mr. Johnston said the final plans must come back to the BOS for approval. Mr. Johnston also reported there was nothing new with Mr. Cohen's project.
- E. Parks & Recreation (P&R) Committee:** Eileen Koenig sent an email saying P&R did not have a meeting in May and the next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, 06-19-2008 at 7:30 PM.
- F. Open Space (OS) Committee:** Richard Brown announced there was no meeting held for OS last month, but the next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 06-18-2008 at 5:30 PM.
- G. Historical Committee (HC):** LDT resident, Bob Mills, Sr., said he truly enjoyed listening to Phillip Edwards (on May 28<sup>th</sup>) when he talked about "Life in Londonderry Township" and Mr. Edwards' extensive Indian artifact collection was magnificent. Supervisor Leitch noted on June 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM Dr. Elmer Laffey will talk about the history of St. Malachi Church and its grave yard. Mr. Mills stated he hoped lots of residents would attend as these speakers are extremely interesting. In addition the HC is in the process of creating a LDT cookbook. To date several recipes have been received, but many more are needed. There will be dog biscuit recipes included as well.
- H. Newsletter/Website:** Bill Wuhrman is working with David Sweet on a LDT website link for the Comp. Plan. Jennifer Zduniak sent an email saying the Spring Newsletter has been emailed to Bill Wuhrman for posting on the LDT website and the next Newsletter will be published in August.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- A. 2008 Road Improvements Bids:** Robert Johnston reported that on June 5, 2008 at 12:30 PM two (2) bids were opened and read aloud. Those in attendance were Engineer, Bob Johnston; Roadmaster Allen Reynolds, and Secretary Janice Hearne. The two (2) bidders were Martin Paving, Inc. with a bid of \$18,739.20 and Asphalt Industries, Inc. with a bid of \$21,813.60. Gilmore and Associates have completed the bid tabulations and recommended awarding the contract to Martin Paving. Martin Paving was awarded the contract last year. Mr. Johnston indicated the contract was ready to be sent. Richard Brown made a motion to approve the bid of

Martin Paving in the amount of \$18,739.20. Midge Leitch seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Resident Charles Rodgers informed the BOS that a large drop-off exists on the south side of Fernwood Road, east of Route 41 along the Heinzman property. The BOS asked that Allen Reynolds be informed that shoulder remediation may be necessary. If this area is part of a state road Allen should notify PennDot.

- B. Londonderry Meadows Fire Hydrants (3):** Richard Brown announced that Chester Water Authority has been notified that the Cochranville Fire Chief has agreed that three (3) fire hydrants in the original locations rather than the four (4) originally suggested will suffice. On 06-09-2008 Secretary Hearne signed, faxed, and mailed the Hydrant Application Contracts to Keith Johnston of Chester Water Authority. The developer is responsible for installation of the fire hydrants and the Township is responsible for the rental fees of \$435.60 per hydrant per year.
- C. New Daleville Escrow Account Release of Funds – Release #12:** The BOS had previously authorized the release of funds from the escrow account in the amount of \$189,843.68. Secretary Hearne has sent a letter authorizing the bank to release these funds.
- D. Heather Knoll (HK):** Bob Johnston explained he was working with the developer on the Deed of Dedication. There is no escrow left, but Mr. Johnston has talked to the developer about establishing a new escrow in the amount of \$5,000 to cover the cost of tar and chip repairs should that be necessary. If no maintenance is required during the 18 month period the escrow will be returned to the developer. Mr. Johnston plans to have everything ready for the roads dedication by the July BOS meeting.
- E. Country Walk (CW) Tree Replacement:** LDT received a letter from Mr. Wilmer Hostetter agreeing to replace trees by the end of November as the fall is the optimal time to plant trees. Melanie Hess of Gilmore & Associates has marked the trees to be replaced. Bob Johnston has received the paperwork and plan for the deeds of dedication for the roads in CW. Mr. Johnston has prepared a letter regarding the Maintenance Bond for the roads and other remaining issues. The BOS have a copy of the Homeowners' Declaration. Richard Brown said the BOS will wait for Mr. Hostetter to sign the HOA document before the Supervisors will affix their signatures.

**New Business:** None

**Announcements:**

- A. Dockstader Foundation Grant - \$1,000:** Richard Brown announced LDT has been awarded a grant of \$1,000 for the native plantings at the Township.
- B. New Daleville – PA Horticultural Award:** Richard Brown announced that he had forwarded to Ryan Homes the application for recognition for all

the plantings and landscaping for the median and common areas of New Daleville.

- C. Stream Signage:** Supervisor Leitch stated she has volunteered to drive around LDT and document all the streams traversed by bridges which either currently have stream signs or need signs. The creeks in LDT are both named and unnamed. Marty Detering volunteered to assist with Elk Creek and its tributaries.
- D. East Brunswick Township (EBT) Letter:** Richard Brown read excerpts from a letter sent to LDT, dated 06-30-2008, and signed by the BOS of East Brunswick Township and the Concerned Citizens of East Brunswick Township. This letter requested LDT's support for municipalities' right to self-govern regarding issues directly affecting its local citizens. At issue was the adoption of a Sewage Sludge Ordinance designed to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the EBT community. EBT stated: "After years of opposition by communities and local governments across Pennsylvania, waste disposal corporations, backed by corporate lobbyists, have succeeded in driving anti-democratic legislation through the Pennsylvania General Assembly to strip municipalities of local self-governing authority over issues that directly affect local citizens." After some discussion it was decided that this issue is not something LDT will deal with at this time.
- E. Official Map:** Bob Johnston stated the Official Map has been resubmitted through Solicitor Stacey Fuller and consultant David Sweet.

The bills were reviewed and paid in the usual manner.

**ADJOURNMENT:** As there was no further business before the BOS a motion was made by Richard Brown and seconded by Midge Leitch to adjourn the meeting at 8:27 PM. The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice H. Hearne  
Administrative Secretary