

**LONDONDERRY TOWNSHIP CONDITIONAL USE HEARING –
HONEYCROFT
TUESDAY, JUNE 09, 2009**

OPEN HEARING: Township Solicitor, Stacey Fuller, called the Hearing to order at 7:15 PM. Hearing principals were: Stacey Fuller, LDT Solicitor with Gawthrop Greenwood Attorneys at Law; Richard Brown, Midge Leitch, and Gene Wier, LDT Supervisors; William Venditta, LDT Resident with Party Status; Mary Ann Rossi, Attorney for Applicant Brian Campbell/Honeycroft; Spencer Address, Government Specialists; Civil Engineer, David Kegerize, P.E. of Lake Roeder Hillard and Associates; and Court Stenographer, Eleanor J. Schwandt, RMR, Court Reporter.

PROCEDURE: Witnesses were sworn in, testimony was offered, and pertinent questions were asked and answered.

DELIBERATION: The Hearing was suspended for deliberations. The Supervisors will announce their decision at the next BOS II Meeting on June 22, 2009.

CLOSE HEARING: Stacey Fuller closed the Hearing at 8:35 PM.

**LONDONDERRY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 09, 2009**

CALL TO ORDER: The BOS I meeting was called to order by Supervisor Richard Brown at 8:50 PM. Supervisors Richard Brown, Midge Leitch, Gene Wier and Township Engineer Bob Johnston were in attendance.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: Township resident, William Venditta, said some of the brake retardant signs on Route 41 are either missing or hidden by trees. Bob Johnston suggested Roadmaster Allen Reynolds may have obtained these signs in the past and could contact the appropriate entity to secure more signs. It was requested that Secretary Janice Hearne speak with Mr. Reynolds and once the signs have been procured Mr. Reynolds should install them on Route 41.

Supervisor Brown excused himself for an emergency at 8:53 PM and Vice-Chairman Midge Leitch continued with the meeting.

MINUTES: The minutes of the May 26, 2009 (BOS II) meeting, had been previously distributed to the BOS, read and found to be correct. Gene Wier made a motion to accept the Minutes as written and Midge Leitch seconded the motion. The vote was 2-0 in favor.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Howard Benner read excerpts from the May, 2009 Report. A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report by Gene Wier and seconded by Midge Leitch was approved by a vote of 2-0. Mr. Benner

reminded the BOS that LDT funds are currently held in two banks until all previous checks have cleared Sovereign Bank. The Township purchased a CD with National Bank of Malvern which was necessary to secure the loan for Open Space.

TOWNSHIP REPORTS:

- A. ZONING OFFICER/BUILDING INSPECTOR:** William Beers read portions of the Zoning Officer's report. There were six (6) building permits and two (2) road occupancy permits issued. Total fees collected for all permits totaled \$4,642.84. Six (6) Use and Occupancy permits were issued. The owner of the property at 95 Baker Road has completed 90 – 95% of the clean-up requested. In addition Mr. Beers is awaiting an application submission for a Conditional Use Hearing from the property owner at 355 Faggs Manor Road to modify the initial Hearing findings. Mr. Beers will continue to monitor two (2) properties along Baker Road for mowing of the lots.
- B. ROAD MASTER:** Secretary Hearne said Mr. Reynolds has been working on the LDT Park in preparation for the 275th Celebration. He has installed the new Park Habitat sign and continues to mow LDT road banks.
- C. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:** No Report
- D. PLANNING COMMISSION (PC):** Rich Henryson reported Manor Presbyterian Church had submitted updated plans to Gilmore & Associates describing the 60' road right-of-way. This has been submitted to LDT solicitor, Stacey Fuller, for legal review. An extension was offered by Londonderry Shops and the PC recommended acknowledgement by the BOS. Bob Johnston distributed to the PC a "pumping sewage" sample ordinance which, if adopted, would become part of the Act 537 Plan.
- E. OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE (OSC):** Chairman Hank Detering updated the committee with regard to the Brandywine Conservancy conservation easement proposal of the Redcay property. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 06-17-2009 at 5:30 PM.
- F. HISTORICAL COMMITTEE (HC):** Diane Henryson noted LDT is only 1 ½ weeks away from the 275th Anniversary Celebration. Set up in preparation for the event will be on Friday, 06-19-2009. Two tents will be erected next week in the LDT parking lot. "Parking" and "No Parking" will be designated using signs and caution tape. The Patron books have gone to the printer. Cookbooks will be sold at the event for \$15.00 and the Throws will be \$40.00. Once all cookbooks and throws have been sold, orders will be taken with delivery expected in one to two weeks. Lawn signs advertising the Celebration have been placed throughout the Township, the website has been updated and an article will be in the Community Courier. The Patron Booklet will be complete within the next few weeks and available for purchase the day of the celebration.

Next Meeting: The next HC Meeting will be on **Wednesday, 06-17-2009 at 7:00 PM. Reminder: The 275th Anniversary Celebration dates are Friday, 06-19-2009 (Harp Concert at Faggs Manor Presbyterian Church at 7:30 PM and Saturday, 06-20-2009 at LDT Township Park from 11:00 AM until 4:00 PM.**

- G. WEBSITE/NEWSLETTER:** The website has been updated thanks to Bill Wuhrman.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. LANCASTER COUNTY TAX COLLECTION BUREAU (LCTCB) RESOLUTION:** Howard Benner attended a meeting concerning collection of the Earned Income Tax by the Lancaster County Tax Collection Bureau. LCTCB continues to collect this tax for the Octorara School District and is LDT's only collection option. There are two (2) Resolutions circulating and neither has a majority at this time. One of the Resolutions stipulates that at the end of a four (4) year period there will be a Review to evaluate LCTCB's efficiency. The BOS decided not to enact a Resolution at this time.
- B. MUNICIPAL GRANT PROGRAM ROUND XVIII PARK DEVELOPMENT GRANT:** In a letter dated 06-01-2009 the Chester County Open Space Preservation Department requested a written update by June 15, 2009 regarding the intentions of LDT to complete or continue the project. Richard Brown will respond.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. ARCADIA / NEW DALEVILLE ESCROW RELEASE #14 REQUEST:** In a letter dated 06-09-2009 Gilmore & Associates stated the quantities of work for which the release of funds in the amount of \$83,112.67 have been completed. In addition there was a letter dated 06-08-2009 from Lake Roeder Hillard & Associates which confirmed 56 lots had been staked/pinned in New Daleville. These pins define property borders. As the Township had not been received the Lake Roeder Hillard letter, the request for the release of funds will be discussed at the 06-22-2009 BOS II meeting.
- NEW DALEVILLE HUMP REMOVAL:** Mr. Johnston, via emails, has been in contact with Jim Weidner of Arcadia to set a date for the hump removal at the intersection of Route 926 at Daleville Road. Mr. Weidner responded that Arcadia has proposals from contractors to do the work, but is awaiting responses from the utilities of PECO, Verizon, and Cable. Once Mr. Weidner has the PECO pole relocation and design plan and Daleville Associates approves the pole relocation agreement, scheduling will be discussed. The BOS asked Mr. Johnston to request the PECO, Verizon, and Cable contact information from Arcadia. Midge Leitch said the BOS will also write letters on LDT letterhead to each of these utilities.
- B. PARKESBURG FREE LIBRARY FUNDING REQUEST:** Supervisor Leitch read excerpts from a letter dated 05-27-2009 in which Judi Flynn,

Library Board President, requested continued support for the Parkesburg Library. Treasurer Howard Benner stated a check would be signed following the BOS meeting in the amount of \$2,200.00. Last year LDT contributed \$2,000.00. Midge Leitch said LDT supports the library at a higher level than some municipalities at approximately \$1.00 per resident. Further, Supervisor Leitch said there were no statistics available on the number of LDT residents who frequent the Kennett Square Library vs. the Parkesburg Library.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE:

A. SECCRA GRANT AWARDED: Barbara Stewart has secured a SECCRA Grant in the amount of \$1,000.00 for planting Native Trees. The BOS expressed its appreciation for Dr. Stewart's efforts on behalf of LDT

B. 275th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION:

June 19th – Brandywine Harp Orchestra, Faggs Manor Presbyterian Church, 7:30 PM

June 20th – 275th Anniversary Celebration, 11:00 AM until 4:00 PM

Signs are posted along the roadways within the Township, Meghan Andress has activities planned for the children and the HC is looking forward to good weather.

CURRENT BILLS WERE REVIEWED AND PAID IN THE USUAL MANNER.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn was made by Gene Wier at 9:20 PM, seconded by Midge Leitch and passed by a vote of 2-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice H. Hearne
Administrative Secretary