## Board of Supervisors Wednesday, October 3rd, 2012 @ 6:30 PM Lynn Twp.~7911 Kings Hgwy., New Tripoli

<u>Call to Order</u>: The "Work Shop" meeting of the Lynn Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairman Kermit E. DeLong, at 6:30 pm in the Municipal Building. Present were Chairman Kermit E. DeLong, Vice Chairman Justin N. Smith, Member Brian C. Dietrich, Zoning Officer Kevin N. Deppe, Secretary/Treasurer Tammy M. White, Engineer Roy Stewart, NW Press Reporter Elsa Kerschner, no citizens.

Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted.

Public Comment: None.

Accept the Minutes: A motion was made by Brian C. Dietrich and seconded by Justin N. Smith approving the minutes from the 09/05/2012 Workshop meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

<u>Codification of Ordinance:</u> Proposed changes to the Lynn Township Zoning Ordinance were discussed as follows; Old Business Tabled from 08/01/2012 & 09/05/2012:

- 39. Section 460 (27 406) Parking and Loading Requirements. 08/01/12: BOS in agreement to have Kevin Deppe look in to. 09/05/12: The BOS agreed that this section will come together with the definitions, parking requirements, and uses. 10/03/12: Definitions will be reviewed at the next Workshop.
- 41. Section 470 (27-407) Signs. 08/01/12: Kevin Deppe will contact John Ashcraft in reference to court cases. 09/05/12: Kevin Deppe will discuss further with John Ashcraft. 10/03/12: Kevin Deppe has received information from John Ashcraft regarding signs. Roy Stewart and Kevin Deppe will review Heidelberg, Washington, Weisenberg to help compare, establish, and incorporate into Lynn Township. Will present review at the next Workshop. Have to determine what is permanent and what's not and what the township does not require a permit for and when a permit is needed. The BOS were in agreement that the structures of signs are not to be in motion.

Old Business Tabled from 09/05/2012:

- 13. Section 234 Sub-section 234.8 add "for all major subdivision" (locate document that states "ALL" subdivision must be reported to the school). 10/03/12: Townships are reminded that Act 97 of 2012 (HB 823), which takes effect September 3, 2012, requires municipalities to submit a monthly report to the school district superintendent if they approved a plan for residential development during the preceding month. The report must include the development's location, the number and types of units, and the expected construction schedule. BOS in agreement.
- 41. Sub-section 493.4 under paragraph 1 delete the example. 09/05/12: (The section needs to be re-written so that it can be flagged for collection of REC fees). 10/03/12: 1. Create new lot-collect REC fees except for Ag Lots of 10 acres or more. 2. Previous or existing sub divided lots-collect @ time of sewage hook up. 3. Existing dwelling not in use & rebuild of a house-do not collect REC fees. If lot is big enough to subdivide then collect REC fees for the lots subdivided but not the main dwelling lot. 4. Commercial: Establish need based on commercial size; price per square foot. Roy Stewart will supply information for the next BOS meeting based on Weisenberg's Townships cost per square foot. Roy Stewart added that the language needs to be the BOS not the Developer. Kevin Deppe added that he performed a study for Lynn Township to validate the 3K cost for REC fees. The study was based on all land sold in the district and the average of property sales.

Note: The next Workshop meeting will be Wednesday, December 5, 2012 at 6:30 pm.

Notes for next meeting:

- 1. Definitions.
- 2. Solicitor review of: Sections 654 (27-605 D); Section 660 (27-606); Section 670 (27-607); Section 700 (Part 7); Section 800 (Part 8)
  - 3. Signs: incorporate Heidelberg, Washington, & Weisenberg Township.
  - 4. REC fees: Confirm the rewrite of this section and commercial square footage.

<u>Note:</u> Roy Stewart also stated that the township check with Solicitor Marc Fisher to draft a description for the public hearing. Kevin Deppe added that all the minutes that have been taken at all the workshop meetings can be sent "as the changes" for the codification.

## **New Business**

Act 46: Known as the presumption of cancer as an occupational disease for both volunteer and paid firefighters, has become an insurmountable obstacle. The act states that any volunteer firefighter, fire police, worker that develops cancer (broad range) and has been a volunteer for at least 4 years will have the claim under workers comp. If a volunteer has had 4 or more years and quits, their claim will still be turned in as a workers comp claim if the claim happens within 300 weeks after volunteer has left the position. Lynn Townships liability insurance carrier, Brown & Brown, has contacted the township to inform them that Keystone Municipal Insurance Trust (KMIT) will no longer cover the workers comp for the volunteer firefighters. KMIT will continue coverage for the township employee's. Brown & Brown has stated that they are currently investigating carries willing to pick up this coverage for the volunteer fire companies. Tammy White will email the BOS with the current cost per year for workers comp coverage.

<u>Miscellaneous:</u> Falcon Ct.- Part of the end driveway is to low causing a water issue. The BOS will have Bruce Raber check out the location and give an estimated cost to fix. Possibly see if the owner would be willing to pick up the cost if the township does the repairs. <u>Stream live video meetings</u> – Justin Smith stated that it would be a good idea to have the minute's video recorded and have them streamed live. This would require an upgrade to our system. Kevin has obtained

quotes. The BOS were in agreement to streamline the minutes. The BOS also stated that a digital recording of the minutes will not be necessary if meetings are streamlined. Kermit DeLong stated that he hopes to hear back on what the costs for the workers comp will be before moving ahead with upgrading the townships system to accommodate it for streamlining. Hoffadeckel Ct. – The drainage ditch on Hoffadeckel Ct. floods during heavy rain storms. The BOS stated that the creek floods and there is nothing to prohibit flooding from occurring. The BOS will have Bruce Raber look into it. Park Vandalism – Kermit DeLong stated that there has been recent vandalism in the park and would like to have the camera footage streamlined to the township building so that the park can be monitored. Justin Smith stated that he didn't think a Static IP address would be needed that we may be able to use a Radmin Viewer at the costs of \$40.00. Kevin Deppe will find more information out.

Public Comment: None.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Justin N. Smith and seconded by Brian C. Dietrich to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jammy M. White

Secretary/Treasurer

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