

ATHENS TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS

September 16, 2015 6 PM

Chairman Cheryl Wood-Walter called the meeting to order at 6 PM. Supervisors also present were Ronald Reagan, Christine Vough, George Ballenstedt and Susan Seck. Solicitor John Thompson and Secretary Robin Smith were also in attendance.

Cheryl turned the meeting over to John Thompson to conduct the Gateway Commons Conditional Use Hearing. This project is being developed by Trehab with 40 townhouse units in ten buildings and a separate community building. Attorney Alan Shaw and Engineer David Young represented the applicant. Testimony was taken by Court Reporter Caitlyn Shaylor of Verbatim Reporting and Video. Upon the conclusion of testimony at 7 PM, the Board went into executive session for deliberation. The hearing reconvened at 7:17 PM. Ron made the motion to grant the Conditional Use with a request for the developer to fence the northern boundary line of the property. The motion was seconded by George and the roll call vote was as follows: Mrs. Seck – yes; Mr. Ballenstedt – yes; Mrs. Vough – yes; Mrs. Wood-Walter – yes; Mr. Reagan – yes. On motion of Ron, second by George, it was unanimous to grant the waiver request for no curbs except at the buildings and to grant the waiver for a 100 ft. turning radius instead of 200 ft. as required by our ordinance. The hearing concluded at 7:20 PM.

On motion of Ron, second by Cheryl, it was unanimous to appoint Kirstie Lake to the Zoning Hearing Board for a term to expire September 9, 2018.

On motion of Cheryl, second by Christine, it was unanimous to reappoint Marion Carling to the Planning Commission for a term to expire October 30, 2019.

On motion of Ron, second by Cheryl, it was unanimous to have the township provide refreshments for the September 22nd PSATS class that is being held here.

On motion of Cheryl, second by Ron, it was unanimous to send a \$50 donation to the Bradford County Humane Society (PO Box 179, Ulster, PA 18850) in memory of Officer Denny Slater's father, Charles R. Slater, who passed away on September 14, 2015.

Chairman Wood Walter again took the Board into executive session at 7:31 PM for pending litigation. The secretary was excused at this time and the remaining minutes were taken by Ronald Reagan. The meeting reconvened at 7:49 PM.

On motion of Cheryl, second by Susan, it was unanimous to have John send a letter to Empire Access about the franchise fee.

On motion of Cheryl, second by Ron, it was unanimous to send a letter to the Athens Township Volunteer Fire Company about the flags on the Route 199 bridge.

There being no further business, on motion of Ron, second by Cheryl, it was unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin L. Smith, Secretary