

October 5, 2015

The Walker Township Supervisors met on Monday, October 5, 2015 at the Walker Township Municipal Building for their monthly meeting. Martin Dreibelbis called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Supervisors Casner and Wagner were present. The minutes of the September 8, 2015 meeting were approved.

**VISITORS:** Robert Hazard was present to discuss a proposed business in Walker Township. He would like to start a distillery business on the George Hazard property located on Red Rock Road. This business would entail growing corn through bottling the alcohol. There would be no sales in Walker Township. This business is neither a permitted nor a special exception use but it is not a denied use. The Supervisors referred him to the Zoning Hearing Board under the “use not provided for” section of the zoning ordinance.

**OLD BUSINESS:** The Supervisors questioned Penn Dot’s Route 75 closure from the intersection of William Penn Hwy to the end of 75. They are awaiting clarification.

**Zoning:** By motion of Mr. Casner, seconded by Mr. Dreibelbis and carried it was resolved to approve the following permit changes as presented by Shirley Saner: Cross Country Recyclers & Truck Parts (Occupancy), Emery Yoder (land use), Red Rock Lumber (land use), Donald Welshonse (land use) and Empire Kosher (land use).

**Secretary:** Attended Township, Recreation Board and Executive meetings, wrote meeting minutes, updated Township calendar, park inspections and answered questions concerning the park, reserved list for park, send bid acceptance paperwork, bid results emailed, road closure memos, Mike Smith letter, Leach parking problem – research/letter, research “grandfathering” business use, memo to Hawbaker – scope of work.

**Roads:** Glenn O Hawbaker completed work on Texas Hollow and Baney Roads. Berm construction was started on October 5, 2015.

Steve Palmer emailed the Rutter’s traffic light plan. Mr. Dreibelbis will contact them concerning the 4 caution blinking lights. The Supervisors feel the caution lights should be removed when the full light is installed.

**Ordinances:** None presented.

**Finances:** Supervisors were asked to think about a budget for 2016 as the secretary needs to advertise a proposed budget next month for adoption in December.

**Park:** The Supervisors are very pleased with the job Mr. Yorks is doing.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Mr. George Varner asked Mr. Casner who to contact concerning jake (engine) brakes. It was suggested Mr. Casner tell him to start with Penn Dot.

The Supervisors received notification from Juniata County Commissioners that applications were being taken for the 2014/2015 legacy fund. By motion of Mr. Dreibelbis, seconded by Mr. Casner and carried it was resolved to apply for the \$3,090.93 and use it to build pavilions at the Walker Township Park.

A letter was sent to Commonwealth Code Inspection Service giving them 90 days notice that CCIS will no longer be Walker Township’s “official” code enforcement agency as per the 2004 agreement. Mr. Dreibelbis attended the County/Township Supervisor’s meeting on September 16, 2015 concerning the fire companies being able to bill insurance companies for the expenses of their services. Eleven municipalities agreed to proceed as a group to research the next steps.

Mr. Andrew Winder (attorney) has agreed to be the Township’s Zoning Hearing Board solicitor.

**SUBDIVISIONS:** By motion of Mr. Casner, seconded by Mr. Wagner and carried it was resolved to approve the Steve Reinford and Nancy Quigley subdivisions.

**BILLS:** By motion of Mr. Casner, seconded by Mr. Dreibelbis and carried it was resolved to approve the monthly bills paid with checks 12269 through 12300 and #646 from Mexico Street Light fund. Payroll Liabilities were paid by EFT in the amount of \$2,500.33.

By motion of Mr. Casner, seconded by Mr. Dreibelbis and carried it was resolved to approve the following checks from the Liquid Fuel Fund: 134 to Eastern Industries in the amount of \$60,000 and to approve checks 135 and 4 to Glenn O Hawbaker pending clarification on the bill.

By motion of Mr. Wagner, seconded by Mr. Casner and carried it was resolved to adjourn at 9:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Nancy Baillie, Secretary