

**WALKER TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
Monthly Meeting  
September 3, 2014**

**Attendance:**

**Supervisors-**

**James Heckman  
Ronald Burd  
Brian Saiers**

**Solicitor-**

**John Miller III**

**Staff-**

**Donna Reese      Don Franson – Engineer  
Leah Burd        Vaughn Zimmerman – Zoning Officer**

**Guests:**

**Jerry Huntington (Township Resident)  
Rich Rogers**

**Call to Order:** James Heckman called the September 3, 2014 meeting of the Walker Township Board of Supervisors to order at 7:00pm in the Walker Township Municipal Building.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Chairman Heckman led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of August Meeting Minutes:** Ronald Burd motioned to approve the minutes from the August 6, 2014 meeting as presented; motion second by Brian Saiers and approved by all three Supervisors.

**Agenda Items:** There were no Agenda Items.

**Guests:** There were no comments from the Guests present.

**Solicitor's Report:** Solicitor Miller presented the Findings of Fact, Conclusions and Decision from the Conditional Use Hearing held August 6, 2014 on an application submitted by **Rich Rogers and Scott Smith for a Multi-Sports Complex** at 259 Hecla Road, Mingoville. The proposed Decision lists six conditions the applicants must comply with. Ronald Burd motioned to accept the Decision and approve the Conditional Use; motion second by Brian Saiers and approved by all three Supervisors.

Solicitor Miller inquired about the status of the **Glen Acres Surety** which expires in November. All lots in the Development have now been sold. Don Franson stated he was contacted regarding the requirements for final road and berm paving. Don will follow up on this issue.

Solicitor Miller reported on a request made at the August 6<sup>th</sup> Supervisors meeting to place a referendum on the ballot in November regarding levying a tax to financially support the recreational activities of the **Nittany Valley Recreation Authority**. Mr Miller researched the issue and determined that the Second Class Township Code does not allow a ballot referendum for this purpose. He further stated that the Township Code does authorize the levying of a tax for recreational purposes. The Supervisors discussed conducting an exit poll or a survey during the November election to inform township residents and seek their input on a proposed tax levy.

**Engineer's Report:** Engineer Don Franson reviewed the **Bridge Safety Inspection Reports** for Hoy Road Bridge and Rodgers Road Bridge and noted some deficiencies in the posting of signs.

Don reported the contractor will start work on the **2014 Road Projects** to improve stormwater drainage at Walizer Road/Nittany Valley Drive intersection and on Cedar Lane in Zion Ridgecrest. Don also explained he approved a change in specifications for the type of pipe being used which will cost an additional \$1,800.00.

A revised Transportation Impact Study for the **Dollar General** was received from Grove Miller Engineering.

**Zoning Officer's Report:** Zoning Officer Vaughn Zimmerman issued six Zoning Permits in August and is pursuing a complaint regarding a Benner Road property.

**Roadmaster's Report:** Roadmaster Brian Saiers reported the following:

- The road damage to the berm at a driveway located on Two Mile Road that was reported at the August meeting has been repaired;
- The fencing contractor will complete repairs to a portion of the Park fence at the beginning of October;
- The pedestrian bridge in the park was repaired;
- Park restroom painting in underway;
- The road crew continues to mow along the berms.

**New Business:**

- James Heckman motioned to authorize the Township Secretary to send a letter to the **Centre County Director of Financial Management** requesting two 20kw generators on behalf of the Walker Township Fire Company; motion second by Ronald Burd and approved by all three Supervisors;
- The Supervisors had no comments for the County Municipal Response Request Form for the **Jacob Beiler/Daniel Mattern Lot Addition/Re-plot Plan (CCPCDO No. 77-14)**;

- Amber Buchanan submitted a report on the **2014 Summer Camp**. She reported the camp was a huge success and the staff did an outstanding job. The average daily attendance was in the 40's;
- The **Centre County Association of Township Officials** Fall Dinner Meeting is scheduled for September 30<sup>th</sup>.

Ronald Burd inquired if the Township had any projects to submit to the County for the **Centre County Liquid Fuels 2015 Program**. Applications are due Friday, October 24<sup>th</sup>.

Ronald Burd motioned to approve the August 2014 General Fund paid bills in the amount of \$28,784.39 and the August 2014 Treasurer's Report as presented; motion second by James Heckman and approved by all three Supervisors.

The regular meeting recessed at 7:30pm for a Conditional Use Public Hearing requested by Mount Nittany Realty Company followed by a Conditional Use Public Hearing requested by Iron-Pro LLC at 8:00pm.

The regular meeting reconvened at 8:45pm and was immediately adjourned on a motion by Ronald Burd. Motion second by Brian Saiers and approved by all three Supervisors.