

**WESTFIELD TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SPECIAL MEETING**

**JANUARY 17, 2007
3:00 PM**

Chairman, Jeff Plumer, called the meeting to order by asking those in attendance to stand and Pledge Allegiance To The Flag.

Trustees in attendance: Tim Kratzer, Jeff Plumer, and Carolyn Sims.

Other officials: Fiscal officer, Martha Evans in attendance and recording the minutes, Jack Snoddy, Fire Chief, Lee Evans, Road Maint., Jim Likely, Zoning Commission, Marlene Oiler, Zoning Secretary.

County Officials: Assistant Prosecutor, Wm. Thorne; Mike Salay, Medina Co. Engineer, Fred Boreman & Joe O'Hara from the Engineers Office.

Residents: Tim Gallatin, Dennis Delagrang, Tom Gallatin, Bruce & Rosemary Broadbridge, Julia Kennoy, Murriline & Herschel Drake.
Lyn Methlie representing Realty One/Grubiss Trust.

OLD BUSINESS:

Marlene called the Dell store about selling a lap top on the tax exempt status. Manager said they can sell to teachers but not to any other business. Staples has HP's that seem to be compatible with the Dell. Jeff's opinion anything but Dell. Carolyn felt Marlene should pursue other options. Marlene will proceed through Staples.

Funding for a zoning planner. A proposal sent to Marlene from Mark Majewski, representing Northstar was the same as in the proposal. \$400 for an initial consultation.

Jeff made a motion to hire Mark Majewski from Northstar to do a preliminary study with the zoning commission at \$400 for an initial consultation, seconded by Carolyn.

Roll call: Tim, abstain; Carolyn, aye; Jeff, aye.

FLOODING - BROADBRIDGE PROPERTY

Carolyn recapped a chain of events. About 5 years ago the drainage problem became a concern to the Broadbridges. Over the past 9 months Carolyn has investigated through old maps, aerial maps at different time lines. It appears to be spreading. 1965-1996 area stable. Since 2001 when Creston did water & sewer line work the flooding has only gotten worse.

Mike Salay, Medina County Engineer, related the only way is to televise the drain line and see what or if any kind of obstruction is present. Jeff suggested that Carolyn send a letter to Creston asking them to televise this line to see if there is damage to the line since they or their contractor has done work in that area. Carolyn then suggested that Bill Thorne write the letter on behalf of

the board. Mike and Bill Thorne agreed that this seems to be the logical approach as it appears to be Creston's problem. Carolyn related that this is a multiple entity problem. The flooding is affecting township residents located on a state route near the Village of Creston's annexed properties & utilities. Bill Thorne stated "this is a land owner fight not a township problem". A 1920 State Highway Blueprint shows a 15" tile. Mike added if there are no inlets for road drainage it is not ODOT's responsibility either.

Jeff asked Bill to draft a letter in behalf of the township to the Village of Creston.

WESTFIELD LANDING ROAD UPGRADE

Carolyn asked about the proposed cul-de-sac at the end of Westfield Landing Road. Is it to be at the bottom of the hill or just where is it to be located.

Fred Boreman gave the time line of events thus far. Road has been dormant since the 1970's, 2003 the lots were put on the market for sale. Two (2) years ago the estimated cost of the road would be \$140,000. The Grubiss' and the township needs to come to an agreement on terms of a contract and if the cul-de-sac bulb will be located to meet all needs. A cul-de-sac bulb or a T-type turnaround may be permitted in a subdivision by county standards.

Lee Evans brought up that the trustees signed a resolution in 2005 stating how a cul-de-sac would be handled in a subdivision in the township. Fred Boreman produced that document.

Tim stated he has no idea what gave Mrs. Sims the idea that the bulb would be over the hill. Tim has suggested that 210 feet over the hill be vacated and allow a 60 foot right of way attach to the last lot. That could be done with a variance.

Fred gave a drawing moving the cul-de-sac over more to the one lot giving access to the rear lot and the second lot would have 100' frontage on a cul-de-sac but needs enough acreage added to that parcel to make 3 acres. This action would not need a variance because the lots would then be in compliance with current zoning.

POINTS OF DISCUSSION:

- ✓ Road constructed in two (2) parts
- ✓ 100% profit
- ✓ If road not paid in full in 3 years
- ✓ lien & assessments on parcels
- ✓ Waiting on Grubiss' to propose guaranteed modified lot layout and agreement

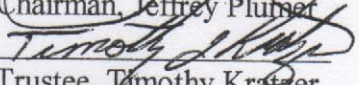
Lyn Methlie will take the information back to the Grubiss' and their attorney and instruct the attorney to contact Bill Thorne with their proposal. The 2nd year of topping for the road will be in the area of \$25,000. The initial year is the most expensive because of extensive clearing and building up a base.

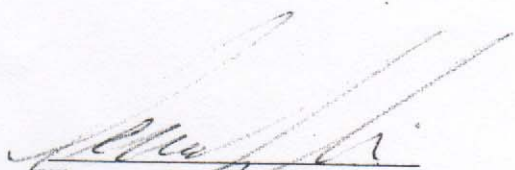
Tim made a motion to pay Verizon and Anthem, seconded by Jeff. Roll call: Tim, aye;

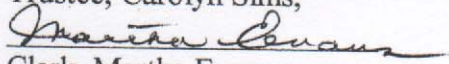
Carolyn, aye; Jeff, aye.

Meeting adjourned.


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Clerk, Martha Evans