

**MIDDLESEX TOWNSHIP
WORKSHOP MEETING
January 25, 2008**

OFFICIALS PRESENT:	SUPERVISORS:	Vic Stabile Don Geistwhite - Absent Steve Larson
	SOLICITOR:	Keith Brenneman
	ENGINEER:	Bud Grove - Absent
	POLICE:	Chief Barry Sherman
	ZONING OFFICER:	Mark Carpenter
	SECRETARY:	Mary Justh

Chairman Vic Stabile called the meeting to order at 7:30 AM in the Middlesex Twp Building.

PUBLIC COMMENT - None

**PUBLIC HEARING - A PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE 1-2008
DELETING UNLICENSED VEHICLE PROVISIONS FROM ZONING
ORDINANCE TO GENERAL MIDDLESEX TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE-**

Chairman Stabile turned the meeting over to Township Solicitor Keith Brenneman. Mr. Brenneman noted that this was the time and place for the public hearing on an ordinance to amend the Township Zoning Ordinance that removes junked, inoperable and unlicensed vehicles. This hearing has been properly advertised two times in the Sentinel on January 3 and January 10, 2008 with the full text of the Ordinance being provided to the Sentinel. The Ordinance was provided to the Cumberland County Planning Commission and the Middlesex Township Planning Commission prior to the hearing. After asking for any comments of the public, Mr. Stabile closed the hearing.

**ORDINANCE 1-2008 TO DELETE UNLICENSED VEHICLE PROVISIONS
FROM ZONING ORDINANCE TO GENERAL MIDDLESEX TOWNSHIP
ORDINANCE** - Mr. Larson made a motion to adopt the Unlicensed Ordinance as advertised. Mr. Stabile seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**CNR HOSPITALITY ENTERPRISE FINAL SUBDIVISION PLAN TIME
EXTENSION** – Mr. Brenneman stated that he had no problem with an extension request. Mr. Larson made a motion to grant CNR Hospitality a 90 day time extension to May 7, 2008. Mr. Stabile seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

CRYSTAL LAKES ESTATES IMPROVEMENT SECURITY RELEASE – Mr. Carpenter stated that Mr. Grove and Mr. Brenneman are working on this and there are some outstanding issues that need to be resolved. Mr. Carpenter explained to Mr. Larson what needs to be done to dedicate Grey Goose Circle.

SHEETZ INC PRELIMINARY FINAL SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR TRINDLE ROAD

–The roadway will have to be widened within the existing right-of-way. . Mr. Brenneman stated that he has not seen an agreement, but he explained how this agreement will work in the future. The Municipal Authority will be tunneling under the highway. Mr. Morrison stated that it won't be more than 90 days. This will help in getting sewer and water to Fetrow Acres. There was some discussion about the concerns of spills on the pad and how they intend to protect the ground water and adjoining property from any runoff. Mr. Grove is finishing up the checking of the plan including the lighting. There was a brief discussion concerning the waivers that were listed on the plan. The plan must be on display at the Township before signing. The extension agreement for the DEP planning module for Sheetz needs to be advertised and available at the Township for review. Sheetz will be responsible to pay for the cost of the advertising. Carlisle will be signing off on this since the sewer will be going to Carlisle. The time schedule for opening is December. Mr. Larson asked about the canopy and why it is no longer connected to the store. It is the new look to the Sheetz stores, including some outdoor seating.

DRAFT LIGHTING ORDINANCE – Mr. Stabile asked that the Draft Lighting Ordinance be placed on the agenda for the workshop meeting in February.

JULIE JOHNSEN VACANT PROPERTY DRIVE – Mr. Carpenter reported that he has been working on the Julie Johnsen matter and that he was not prepared to report on her blighted property and asked that this be placed on the agenda for the February 6th meeting.

PROPOSED REVISIONS TO TOWNSHIP FEE SCHEDULE – Mr. Carpenter reported that he was not prepared to report on his recommended fee schedule changes and would like this to be placed on the agenda for the Workshop Meeting on February 29th.

TRI-REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBERSHIP – Mr. Stabile made a motion to recommend Mr. Mike Buchanan as the Tri-Regional Planning Commission Member. Mr. Larson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

BONDING OF CLEMSON ROAD – Chief Barry Sherman explained that the PA Turnpike will be making wetlands on Clemson Drive to replace wetlands that they are taking away at another locations. A weight study needs to be done for an Ordinance in order to Bond the Road. There will be about 1000 truck loads traveling across Clemson and that is why it needs to be bonded. Mr. Stabile made a motion to authorize an engineering study on Clemson Road to determine if it should be bonded and an Ordinance prepared. Mr. Larson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

PERSONNEL MANUAL – Mr. Stabile recommended that the Personnel Manual be placed on the February Workshop Meeting, when Don gets back.

THE CHESAPEAKE BAY INITIATIVE – Mr. Stabile gave an update, Representative Scott Perry just introduced a bill that there may be a court case on this. The

municipalities are concerned about the impact on their communities. Middlesex Township has lost the treatment plant on Country Club Road, because of these regulations. .

EIT TAX– The Task Force is actively looking at the tax collection. Senator Jane Earl has a House Bill addressing the tax collection for the EIT Tax. Mr. Stabile asked that Mrs. Justh contact Mrs. Barb Wilson and get the form that needs to be filed to get a list of all the individuals that filed PA taxes and should be filing EIT taxes with the WSTB.

OUTDOOR WOOD BURNING STOVES – Mr. Stabile stated that some research concerning the stoves and Chicopee, Massachusetts, concluded that they do not allow the stoves in their community. After some discussion, Mr. Brenneman stated that there are still issues about the stoves and how they are operated. Mr. Carpenter commented on an individual that has only 2 acres, but he is surrounded by land owned by his family, and would like to have a wood furnace on his property.

AHEC – Mike Perry would like to have someone from the Township write a letter requesting a traffic signal for the intersection of Army Heritage and Claremont Road. A Township estimate of \$150,000, would be to install a light at the intersection Mr. Stabile asked Mrs. Justh to contact Mr. Mike Perry about a draft letter and who it should be addressed to. Mr. Stabile asked if we can get them to pay the maintenance after the initial installation.

BICYCLE TOUR OF PA - Mr. Stabile stated that we are not taking any action on the Tour of PA.

VERIZON – Mr. Brenneman stated that he has been in contact with Verizon. They are coming into the Township and would like to be placed on the agenda for February 6, 2008. Mr. Stabile told Mrs. Justh to contact Mr. Lynch about the Comcast Agreement, get a copy or call the PUC. Competition is good for the community.

MYBA is coming to the Supervisors Meeting on February 6th meeting requesting the OK to put in dugouts at the park. Mr. Stabile stated that they did a nice job the last time and we are pleased that they take care of the fields.

APPALACHIAN TRAIL TUNNEL – Mr. Stabile asked Mrs. Justh to write a letter to Arlen Specter and Pat Vance and Will Gabig should be notified about what a waste of money this would be in the Township. Mr. Stabile would like to review the letters before sending them out. Mr. Stabile asked how many accidents have occurred at that location. Chief Barry Sherman responded with none to date. It will be lighted, but we have to question the safety of such a tunnel and we are spending 1.5 million dollars to build this tunnel.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:21AM to Executive Session with no further action being taken.