

**MIDDLESEX TOWNSHIP
SUPERVISORS MEETING
FEBRUARY 1, 2006**

OFFICIALS PRESENT:	SUPERVISORS:	Chuck Shughart Victor Stabile Don Geistwhite
	SOLICITOR:	Keith Brenneman
	ENGINEER:	Bud Grove - Absent
	POLICE CHIEF:	Barry Sherman
	ZONING OFFICER:	Mark Carpenter
	SECRETARY:	Mary Justh
	RECREATION:	Denise Jumper - Absent

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Chuck Shughart called the meeting to order at 7:07 PM in the Municipal Building. Mr. Bob Slagle led the assembly in the pledge to the flag.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Representatives from Union Fire Company extended a thank you to the Supervisors for their support.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – 3 and 27 January. Mr. Geistwhite made a motion to approve the minutes of 3 and 27 January. Mr. Stabile seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF BILLS – Mr. Geistwhite made a motion to approve payment of bills per the bill list of January. Mr. Stabile seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

General Fund Ck#17352 thru Ck#17445	63,325.40
Escrow Fund Ck#45110	8,092.88
Non- Uniform Pension Ck#187 & #188	6,525.48
Payroll #1 & #2	58,991.87

REPORTS

SOLICITOR: None

ENGINEER: None

POLICE: Report presented and ordered to file.

ZONING: Report presented and ordered to file. Mr. Carpenter reported that he is trying to get the Wert property cleaner up. A second property, Tom Thumma's, needs to be cleaned up because of the dead animals that are on the property.

RECREATION: Presented and ordered to file.

FIRE/EMC: Report presented and ordered to file.

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY: Mr. Geistwhite explained that a meeting took place about the Line & Clouse property and testing for a well head.

SECRETARY: None

OLD BUSINESS

Light Styles Preliminary / Final Land Development Plan – After some discussion Mr. Stabile made a motion final minor plan for Light Styles on Stover Drive dated 12/22/05 last revised on 1/30/06 that the Board grant the sever waiver requests as listed on the front of the plan. Mr. Geistwhite seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Mr. Stabile made another motion to approve the plan subject to 2 conditions, that the applicant comply with the engineers comments of 2/1/06 and that the applicant provide to the Zoning Officer a certification that the existing on-lot septic is adequate for the design of the facility. Mr. Geistwhite seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Keystone Arms Time Extension Request – Mr. Stabile made a motion to grant the time extension request as noted in their letter of 2/1/06 from Rettew for 60 day time extension. Mr. Geistwhite seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

PA Turnpike – Mr. Stabile stated that the Board had been in contact with the PA Turnpike about Land Development approval and the acquisition of some land in order to expand, because this is a sensitive area for several reasons. During this meeting with the PA Turnpike authorities the possibilities of using the old exit to the Fairgrounds for the Car Show was discussed as well. Mr. Stabile also talked about a connector between the Turnpike and 81.

NEW BUSINESS

Fee In Lieu Comparison – Mr. Geistwhite told the Supervisors that he was recently in conversation with others that had raised their fees and Sally Holbert suggested we raise our fees accordingly. Mr. Carpenter explained the logic behind the increase. The Board voiced their thoughts on what other townships in the area have done with respect to the fee in lieu amount and how that is being charged to the developers. Middlesex Supervisors want to make sure that the cost is reasonable as not to gouge developers. After some discussion Mr. Shughart made a motion to increase the Fee In Lieu from \$400.00 to \$750.00. Mr. Geistwhite seconded the motion. Mr. Stabile asked the Supervisors to get additional information on what is reasonable. The motion was tabled until the Workshop Meeting at the end of the month.

Chief Sherman asked the Supervisors to reconsider allowing him to correct a problem **Meadowbrook Farms** because the street sign are in violation with the State Code. Emergency Vehicles can't see the signs because they are all black at this point. The Supervisors agreed that they needed to be corrected to meet the State Guidelines. Mr. Stabile made a motion to give the Chief authority to maintain the sign to the state's standards. Mr. Geistwhite seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned 8:05 PM on a motion from Mr. Shughart. Mr. Geistwhite seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

