

MIDDLESEX TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS MEETING

December 1, 2004

OFFICIALS PRESENT:	SUPERVISORS:	Chuck Shughart, Chairman Vic Stabile, Vice Chairman Donald Geistwhite
	SOLICITOR:	Keith Brenneman
	ENGINEER:	Bud Grove
	POLICE:	Chief Barry Sherman
	FIRE:	Chief Ed Beam
	ZONING OFFICER:	Mark Carpenter
	SECRETARY:	Mary Justh

CALL TO ORDER – Chairman Chuck Shughart called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. at the Middlesex Township Building.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG – Mrs. Gibson led the assembly in the Pledge to the Flag.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – Chairman Shughart asked for a motion to approve the minutes of November 3 and November 19. Mr. Geistwhite made the motion, Mr. Stabile seconded it, and it passed unanimously.

AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF BILLS – Chairman Shughart asked for a motion to approve the payment of bills for November. Mr. Stabile made the motion and Mr. Geistwhite seconded it and the motion passed unanimously.

General Fund Checks #15945 - #15996	\$ 79,440.08
Transfer for Payroll #23 and #24	\$ 66,081.41
Escrow Fund	\$ 6,489.53

PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

REPORTS:

Solicitor: Nothing to report.

Engineer: Nothing to report.

Police: Ordered to file.

Zoning Officer: Ordered to file. Mr. Tim Mowery has been sent an enforcement notice for the illegal lodging house on Wolf's Bridge Road. Mrs. Johnsen is at the same status as last month.

Recreation: Ordered to file. The tree lighting ceremony will be held at the Recreation Building at 6:30 p.m. on Sunday, December 5. The Santa Breakfast will be held at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, December 11.

Fire: Ordered to file.

Municipal Authority: Nothing to report.

Secretary: Nothing to report.

OLD BUSINESS

(#04-15) PennTerra Preliminary/Final Master Subdivision Plan – Mr. Carpenter informed the Supervisors that PennTerra has requested an extension until December 31, 2004 for plan approval. Mr. Stabile made a motion to accept the request of November 24, 2004, for an extension of time until December 31, 2004 to act on the PennTerra Preliminary/Final Master Subdivision Plan, as requested by the applicant. Mr. Geistwhite seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Carpenter informed the Supervisors that a special meeting of the Planning Commission will be held on December 29 to discuss the PennTerra Preliminary/Final Master Subdivision Plan, which the Supervisors will vote on December 30, 2004 at their regular meeting.

(#04-21) Ridge Estates Preliminary Subdivision Plan – Mr. Stabile made a motion to accept the applicant's request of November 17, 2004, for an extension of time until December 31, 2004 to act on the Ridge Estates Preliminary Subdivision Plan. Mr. Geistwhite seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

In connection with the Ridge Estates Preliminary Subdivision Plan dated July 6, 2004, revised October 1, 2004, Mr. Stabile made a motion to grant the four waivers as noted on the face of the plan: 1) Requirement for sidewalks; 2) Requirement for curbing; 3) Requirement for traffic impact study; 4) Requirement for certification of landscape plan by registered landscape architect. Mr. Geistwhite seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

In connection with the Ridge Estates Preliminary Subdivision Plan dated July 6, 2004, revised October 1, 2004, Mr. Stabile made a motion to approve the plan subject to the following conditions: 1) That the applicant note on the plan that proposed deed restrictions for each lot will be recorded with each deed and not placed on the plan; 2) That the applicant reach agreement with the Township Engineer and the Highway Superintendent as to the cost of improvements for roadway widening along Ridge Drive frontage and that the applicant's engineer cost estimate of improvements dated October 4, 2004 be revised as necessary; 3) That the applicant comply with Township Engineer's comments numbers 5 and 6 in the review memorandum dated December 1, 2004; 4) That the applicant comply with Township Engineer's comment number 4 in review memorandum dated December 1, 2004 regarding storm water management calculations; 5) That the applicant note on the plan that if necessary, the applicant will grant a temporary slope easement for grading during roadway widening on properties adjacent to Ridge Drive, with the extent of such easement to be determined at the time of final plan approval; 6) That the applicant comply with Cumberland County Planning Commission

comment numbers 1 and 2 in the review report dated August 19, 2004, regarding plan certification and rear yard setback labeling; and 7) That the applicant note on plan sheet 5 of 5 that the six existing street trees located adjacent to Ridge Drive on lots 1 and 7 will not be removed with Township approval and in other respects the plan will comply with section 12.03 g. of the Middlesex Township Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance. Mr. Geistwhite seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

West Shore Tax Bureau Correspondence Concerning House Bill 197 – Mr. Brenneman and Mrs. Justh informed the Supervisors that House Bill 197 will change the identity of the Occupational Privilege Tax to the Emergency and Municipal Services Tax. The OPT fee of \$10 can also be raised to \$52 dollars to offset fire and police departments. The Supervisors decided not to raise the amount at this time.

Resignation of Lisa Goodhart as Planning Commission Secretary – Mr. Carpenter informed the Supervisors of Lisa Goodhart's resignation as Planning Commission Secretary due to health reasons, and asked the Supervisors to advertise the position. Mr. Geistwhite made a motion to accept the resignation and Mr. Stabile seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

South Middleton – Mr. Stabile presented the Supervisors with information regarding an appeal being made by Keystone in Cumberland County Court in response to South Middleton's decision not to permit the land use for a proposed warehouse.

Chairman Shughart made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 p.m. Mr. Geistwhite seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned.