



SHOHOLA TOWNSHIP

Board of Supervisors

George C. Fluhr, Gregory P. Hoepfer, Keith W. Raser
Municipal Building
159 Twin Lakes Road
Shohola PA 18458

April 11, 2013

ATTENDANCE:

- **Supervisors; Chairman George C. Fluhr, Vice-Chair Gregory Hoepfer, Keith Raser and others on the attached list.**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER at 7:29pm

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- **Motion to approve minutes of the Regular meeting of the Board on March 14, 2013, made by, Vice-Chair Hoepfer, second by Supervisor Raser, motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES:

- **Motion to approve expenditures as listed for March 2013, made by Vice-Chair Gregory Hoepfer, second by Supervisor Raser, motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF TREASURERS REPORT:

- **Motion to approve Treasurer's Report for March, 2013 made by Supervisor Raser, second by Vice-Chair Hoepfer, motion carried.**

Supervisor Raser made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss Personnel matters, second by Chairman Fluhr, at 7:31 pm, motion carried.

Meeting reconvened at 7:36pm

PLANNING COMMISSION

- **L.P. Cylinder - Conditional Use Hearing and Land Development.**

Public meeting was called to order at 7:37pm. The following statement was made by Chairman Fluhr:

Today is **Thursday, The 11th day of April, 2013**, the time is 7:37pm. This hearing is being held to consider the request of **L.P. Cylinder for a Conditional Use and Land Development**. Was this hearing advertised? Solicitor Ohliger verified advertisement. Was the fee paid? Township Secretary advised the Board the Fee was paid.

This hearing is being held before the Board of Supervisor of Shohola Township. Present are Supervisors: George Fluhr, Gregory Hoepfer and Keith Raser. Present are the Township Solicitor, and a representative of the Planning Commission. Also in attendance are others who have signed an attendance list, which will be part of this record.

I would like to place on record the following exhibits:

1. The request for a Conditional Use
2. The Advertisements
3. The Township zoning ordinance together with all its amendments.
4. The Township Comprehensive Plan.
5. The Municipal Planning Code.
6. The recommendation of the Township Planning Commission
7. Other items as referred to the testimony.

At this point I will ask the applicant to present his testimony.

John Fuller Engineering, representing L.P. Cylinder presented the project to the Supervisors as well as the public.

Solicitor: for the record this does not constitute the final approval as the Boards approval is preliminary finding. Also a letter was received from the Pike County Office of Community Planning and a letter from the Planning Committee to the Supervisors, both should be put in the record as exhibits.

Public Comment:

George J. Fluhr, stated that he was the former Supervisor for Shohola Township for 30 years during the time that Mr. Ryman was in business, he runs an outstanding business and always cooperates with the Township and Mr. Ryman is a good businessman and is a pleasure to have him as a resident. We are pleased to see the expansion of his company and feel that he is an asset to the community.

Ken Baumel, wanted to know the nearest crossroad in Shohola to give a better location of the property.

Motion to approve the Conditional Use Application contingent upon further engineering review of Joe Hudak, of the revised plans, as well as all approvals from Pennsylvania Department of Transportation, Department of Environmental Protection, as well as compliance with all ordinances. The Highway Occupancy Permit is a specific condition of approval. Motion made by Supervisor Raser, second by Chairman Fluhr, motion carried.

Motion to approve the Land Development Application, made by Chairman Fluhr, second by Vice-Chair Hooper, motion carried.

Motion to issue a written decision on the Ordinance, made by **Chairman Fluhr**, second by **Supervisors Raser**, motion carried.

Public hearing closed at 7:51pm.

SOLICITORS REPORT

- None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Shohola Park & Recreation Committee is hosting the annual Community Clean Up Day on May 18th, 2013 from 8:00am to 3:00pm. To find out more details visit Rohman Park's Facebook page or the Township's Website.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Open Police Vehicle Bids:** Bid from Anthony Soto for \$3500.00; Bid from Jersey One Auto Sales for \$2611.99. **Motion** to accept the bid from Anthony Soto for \$3500.00 made **by Chairman Fluhr**, second **by Supervisor Raser**, motion carried

NEW BUSINESS:

- Personnel: **Motion** to create the position of Full Time Maintenance Employee **made by Supervisor Raser, second by Vice-Chair Hoepfer, motion carried.**
- **Motion** to elevate **Jim Cue** from his part time status to full time status, position is without health insurance benefits but will be eligible for other benefits as outlined in the Shohola Township Procedures Manuel, with a salary set as \$11.50 per hour effective immediately, **made by Supervisor Raser, second by Vice-Chair Hoepfer, motion carried.**
- Boy Scout Troop #76 is hosting their 2nd Annual Shohola-Barryville Bridge 5K Run and needs a letter of support for the Board of Supervisors sent to Penn DOT. **Motion** to write a letter of support on behalf of the Boy Scouts to PennDot, **made by Chairman Fluhr, second by Vice-Chair Hoepfer, motion carried.**
- **DEP "Sewage Facilities Planning Module Review of On-lot Sewage Systems** Proposed in High Quality and Exceptional Value Watersheds". **Motion** to send a letter in opposition to the D.E.P. as well as the Senator and State Representative, **made by Supervisor Raser, second by Vice-Chair Hoepfer, motion carried.**
- **Resolution 2013-02** in Opposition of the D.E.P. proposed regulations under document number 385-2208-001. **Motion** to adopt Ordinance No. 2013-02 **made by Chairman Fluhr, second by Vice-Chair Hoepfer, motion carried.**

REPORTS TO THE BOARD

- Sewage/Zoning – None
- Police – Report Attached
- Road Department- Pot holes are being repaired.
- Park Committee – Reported that the County Commissioners will be selecting the contractor who bid on the construction of the Pavilion on Wednesday, April 17, 2013. The Easter Egg Hunt yielded approximately 85 kids even though there was snow on the ground. The Flyers have been mailed out and to date the Committee has received \$1660.00 in donations to the Park. John Knapp thanked the community for its support.
- Fire Department – responded to 16 emergency calls.

SUPERVIORS COMMENTS:

- **Chairman Fluhr** – If you see any potholes or other problems on the Road, call the Township Office immediately.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- **Kyle Wright** – Wanted to know if a decision was made as to the Primary Ambulance Provider for Shohola. Chairman Fluhr advised that no decision has been reached at this time.
- **Tamara Singer** – came before the Board to ask why she did not receive written support from the Supervisors to act as an applicant on a FEMA/PEMA Grant to obtain a generator for her business. Ms. Singer was advised by both the Solicitor and the Supervisors that the request to use the Township as an applicant on a FEMA/PEMA Grant application raised concerns about the legitimacy of such an application. The State was contacted to see if this was permissible and we received no response. It states on the application those who are eligible to apply and there is no private "for profit" listed. Solicitor Ohliger stated that using the Township as an applicant and passing the funding to a private LLC, may be considered a misappropriation of funds. Since no answer was given by the PEMA the Supervisors are not able to act on Twin Cedars behalf. Supervisor Raser stated that we would be willing to write a letter of support for Twin Cedars.

Motion to adjourn at 8:25pm, made by **Chairman Fluhr, second by Vice-Chair Hoepfer, motion carried.**

Respectfully Submitted

Diana Blume
Township Secretary