

Minutes of Penfield Township Board of Trustees Meeting

September 16, 2008

The Public hearing on the proposed Zoning change was held at 7:36 P.M. with all three trustees and 9 guests present. To be considered was the rezoning of three parcels on Rte. 18 from residential to commercial that were passed by the Zoning Commission on August 27. The addresses are 40905, 40933 and 40961. The last address, permanent parcel #19 03 013 000 015, rezoned only that portion that was within 594 feet south of Rte. 301. Linda Grissinger asked why her property parcel

#19 03 013 000 018 was not included and was informed that it was not necessary to include it to effect the rezoning of the Penfield School property. She was informed that she could initiate a separate zoning request if desired that property rezoned. Chairman Conrad called for a roll call vote to accept the Zoning Commission action.: Gordon, yes, Younglas, yes, Conrad, yes. Trustees then provided reasons for their votes. Younglas noted that the Mallet Creek school sat empty and was finally torn down; the Belden school was purchased by the township and could not be used and is to be torn down. Mr. Sudnick will utilize the old school for the good of the township. Linda Grissinger agreed that the township did the right thing in rezoning the school property as there was no other use for the site. She objected to the way that it was done. Gordon stated that the Sudnicks have demonstrated their ability to revive properties in the township and will continue to improve the former school property. Conrad stated that the community has the privilege of Sudnicks business. Younglas noted the township was offered the building but had no use for it.; he further noted that the School Board was contacted to see if they were interested in rezoning before the building was to be auctioned. They had no interest in pursuing the matter so it was sold "as is" with risk to the buyer.

The regular session was called to order at 8 P.M. Due to the absence of the Fiscal Officer no minutes were read. Zoning Inspector Donahue noted that the 20th annual Cleveland Planning & Zoning Workshop would be held in Westlake on November 14. Younglas moved to pay registration fees for members attending second by Gordon. Roll call, all yes. The annual meeting of the County Building Department is September 17. Conrad and Donahue will attend. Conrad visited the party who was using a trailer as a temporary residence. Their plans have changed and they will be moving the trailer by the end of the year. Gordon talked with the resident who is building a new residence behind the old house on Rte. 18. Construction has been delayed but the owner intends to complete the project and remove the old residence.

Duane Johnson gave a report on Park Board activities; on October 4, the Denes memorial poker run, on October 26 the Halloween party at the park. The Rec. Board has appointed Shane Blankenship as a member. On a motion by Gordon, second by Younglas, roll call, all yes, the appointment was approved.

Gordon reported the new truck bed is in at the dealers and he will prompt them to pick up the truck. They are looking for a place to store the old dump bed so that it will be

available when it is time to replace the truck. At that time they will keep the new bed and make the exchange.

There was discussion about the future of the five recycling drop off centers in the county which Conrad will discuss with other township trustees at the county meeting Thursday.

Younglas reported he had received a report from a motorist that a tree was down near the Short Road Bridge. He and his grandson cut it up. He noted that there are pending zoning cases before the Ohio Supreme Court which may affect townships which rely on the County's Comprehensive Plan and do not have their own.

Conrad took a load of recyclables to Ashland and received a check for \$80.75. Glass was \$25.00 and copper, \$36.00 The rest consisted of Miscellaneous metal. He inspected the work that was done at the cemetery to remove excess dirt that had rolled on neighboring property and felt the situation was rectified He discussed a situation of water drainage between the Sieniawski and Kolar properties on Jones Road. The trustees will talk to the neighbors to see if they can resolve the issue. The township has no responsibility in this matter since it does not affect road drainage. He will call the cable company to arrange for them to attend a meeting and provide their annual report and franchise fees.

With no further business Younglas moved to adjourn at 8:47 P.M.