

## Minutes of the Perry Township Planning Commission Meeting of August 12, 2009

The Perry Township Planning Commission meeting was held on August 12, 2009, at the Perry Township Building on Big Shannon Run Road.

The meeting was called to order at 6:08 PM by Chairperson Joe Fox. Present were members Glen Evans, Jerry Blaker, Warren Headley, and Jan Ditzian. There were no guests.

### Minutes

The minutes of the June 2009 meeting were read by secretary Jan Ditzian and approved. The June meeting failed to have a quorum.

### Old Business

**Item 1. Mapping properties in Mount Morris for use in encouraging development.** Jan Ditzian obtained maps from Joe Fox for the purpose of locating sites for potential development. Personal events interfered with following up this activity, but he will return to it and will meet with Joe to work on this.

### New Business

**Item 2. Current composition of the Board of Supervisors.** The Commission discussed the unusual situation which now holds for the Perry Township Board of Supervisors. Alan Dale Lemley has resigned from the position of Roadmaster, and holds only the elected position of Township Supervisor; furthermore, he has indicated that he will resign this position this year, to allow the appointment of another person to fill out the brief time remaining in his term. Albert Phillips is no longer a Roadmaster, but is still a Supervisor. However, he has not attended the last four Township Supervisor meetings, and has not been involved in official Township affairs.

It is our understanding that the Board of Supervisors will appoint someone with knowledge of its operations to fill out Alan Dale Lemley's term, but lack of attendance is not a legal reason to replace a supervisor. We discussed options and possibilities for getting a third active Township Supervisor, but we made no official recommendation.

**Item 3. Signs announcing entry into Mount Morris are waiting in the Township building, but have not been installed.** These signs were purchased by the Supervisors with the intent of installing one at the entrance from Route 79 to Mount Morris, and the other two at the entrance to Mount Morris from Route 19 from the north and from the south. We are informed that the most suitable locations for these signs are on rights-of-way controlled by PADOT, which does not permit the installation of signs without permission. We further understand that Supervisor Buck Kennedy has written to PADOT to request such permission.

**Item 4. Zoning.** We have been informed by Supervisor Kennedy that there is money for a zoning plan to be drawn up by the engineering firm working on this project. It is the duty of our Planning Commission to be ready for comment and input to this zoning plan, and we decided to begin consideration of our own plans at our next meeting. Joe Fox will obtain

three more sets of maps for the remaining Commission members, and he and Jan Ditzian will bring theirs to the next meeting, when we will begin to address zoning alternatives.

**Item 5. Temporary trailer parks.** Joe Fox said that he had heard of complaints about temporary trailer parks in the Township, lacking plumbing and sewage, that had sprung up to serve mining operations. No other member had heard such complaints, and no member knew of a temporary trailer park.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Ditzian, Recording Secretary