

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
**MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING**  
**FEBRUARY 23, 2016**

The monthly meeting of the Longswamp Township Board of Supervisors was held at the Longswamp Township Municipal Building, 1112 State Street, Longswamp Township, Mertztown, Pennsylvania, 7:00 p.m., prevailing time as previously advertised and posted.

**PLEDGE TO THE FLAG/ROLL CALL**

Officials Present: Steve Wyka, Chairman; Michael Sacks, Vice Chairman; Randy Sicher, Supervisor; Jill Nagy, Esquire, representing the Solicitor; Peter Eisenbrown and John Yoder representing LTL Consultants. Jill Smith, representing the Engineer; David Fatzinger, Treasurer; and Jennifer Wassell-Bonser, Secretary were absent from the meeting.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Steve Wyka called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and announced the reading of the minutes of the regular meeting would not take place.

**APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

None at this time.

**APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT**

None at this time.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None at this time.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

A member of the audience asked why there had to be continued pumping, noting he felt it was too frequent. The Township Solicitor explained that the cycles follow DEP regulations and the ordinance also provides an opportunity to sludge judge the system to avoid pumping if the system is not full.

A member of the audience asked if you would have to connect to the community systems if your system isn't failing. It was noted, that at this time, while the Board hopes that only failing systems will have to connect, questions related to connecting and specific financing questions cannot be answered until the design and financing are in place.

**ENGINEERING AND PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT**

None at this time.

**SEO REPORT**

Peter Eisenbrown explained the status of work and how the community system arrangement will work in certain areas of the Township. Mr. Eisenbrown also explained that the goal is for property owners to fix their own systems; however, in the case where that may not be possible, the Township is looking to test and obtain land to include small community systems.

The consultants explained that the Act 537 Plan will include two phases. Phase I's testing concluded last year for most of Phase I and the Township is in the planning stage. Those who have not complied will be looking at enforcement actions. In the case of Phase II, the Board will be adopting a new ordinance to ensure that the Township's Sewage Enforcement Officer will be on-site to inspect systems. After the conclusion of the inspections of Phase II, the Board will go through a planning analysis similar to Phase I.

Mr. Eisenbrown provided hand-outs for the Board's use.

**ZONING AND CODES ENFORCEMENT**

None at this time.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

None at this time.

**RECREATION REPORT**

None at this time.

**ROADMASTER REPORT**

None at this time.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None at this time.

**NEW BUSINESS**

None at this time.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

None at this time.

**ADJOURNMENT**

It was noted the Board of Supervisors would meet in Executive Session regarding current and potential litigation upon adjournment of the meeting.

Mike Sacks made a **motion** to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m.; Randy Sicher seconded the motion. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer A. Wassell-Bonser  
Township Secretary