

Minutes
Regular Meeting
August 11, 2014

Board of Supervisors:

Jerry Bohnsack - Chair
Dennis Graff - Vice Chair
David Gray - Supervisor

Judy Hamilton - Clerk
Christa Andrews - Treasurer
Steve Reilly - Road Overseer

Board Chair Jerry Bohnsack called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., with the Pledge of Allegiance. Treasurer Christa Andrews was absent.

Guests: Denise DeBoer-Stutleberg and Lon Stutleberg, Lakewood Drive, asked about the Township's policy for taking over maintenance of roads. Jerry Bohnsack explained that the road in the development would have to be brought up to County specifications and paved before the Township would consider taking it over. Dennis Graff suggested contracting with Holmwig Excavating at the expense of the residents on the road, which is what the residents on Cascade Court do. The Board took no action.

Gloria Bordwell, Brian Bordwell and Brad Bordwell expressed concerns about closing off Deer Trail Drive. Gloria said mail delivery stopped as a result of redirecting traffic on the road, and as a result, residents are left with the choice of picking mail up at the Post Office or installing mailboxes on County Road 31. Bordwell said she was concerned that other services might be affected as well. Bohnsack explained that closing one end of the road was experimental - an effort to curb traffic on the road, and was by no means a permanent solution. Road overseer Reilly said he had questioned the Post master about the delivery and was told the carriers accept routes by mileage and if there is alteration of a road, they have the option to discontinue delivery. Reilly reported support from other residents on Deer Trail, who favored closing off one end of the road, and said they would prefer installing mailboxes on the county road to re-opening the barricade on the road.

After discussion, the Board agreed to investigate alternatives in order to have mail delivery continue, while still discouraging through traffic. Reilly and Gray offered to speak with the Postmaster again, and Reilly was asked to monitor traffic in the next weeks.

David Gray made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Dennis Graff seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Clerk Hamilton was asked to compile a financial report in the absence of the Treasurer, and claims were approved with a motion by Graff, seconded by Gray, and unanimous vote.

Steve Reilly's road report included progress on dam and beaver removal on Town Line Lake and Beaver Creek Road. Town Line Lake has also been ditched and repaired, according to Reilly. Two parties were asked to move motor homes from the road right-of-way. The parties complied.

Mr. Gray asked Mr. Bohnsack if he had received a response from the attorney whom Bohnsack contacted for an opinion on the Township's current policy on road maintenance within developments. Bohnsack said he was waiting for a reply from Troy Gilchrest.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Hamilton,

Clerk