

Approved Minutes – Reading Township Board  
July 12, 2004, Regular Meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM with Dave Newell, Roger Wheeler, Ron Parker, Randy Wigent and Judy Wheeler present. Also present were Bob Null, Bruce Caswell, Geraldine Spieth, Debbie Rutz, Kathy Mikolajczyk, Keith Brown, Joe Pavka, Chuck Rutz at 7:04, Bob Brady, Shirley Miles and Dick Gasser at 7:05, James Galloway at 7:10, Teri Vear at 7:15 and Olin Hinkle at 7:30.

The minutes of the June 14, 2004 Regular meeting were read and approved.

Keith Brown representing 7<sup>th</sup> District Congressman Nick Smith presented flags that were flown over the United States Capitol on July 4<sup>th</sup> to David Newell, Judith Wheeler and Roger Wheeler. This was in recognition of many years of service to the community as elected officials.

State Representative, Bruce Caswell explained some of the potential legislation concerning summer tax collection. One possibility might be that County Taxes would be collected in the summer with 1/3 being collected the first year then another 1/3 each of the next two years.

Bob Null, a candidate for 3<sup>rd</sup> District County Commissioner, spoke on his experience and qualifications.

Geraldine Spieth, a candidate for 3<sup>rd</sup> District County Commissioner, spoke on her qualifications for that position.

Teri Vear spoke on behalf of the ½ mill renewal request for senior services.

Dick Gasser, representing a Neighborhood Awareness Group (NAG) Committee that is part of the Hemlock Beach association brought up several concerns. One major concern was a potential development in Allen Township that would significantly add to the crowding of Hemlock Lake.

Joe Pavka discussed the washing out of Lakeside Drive and the possibility of a special assessment district. He will plan to remind the Board of this in January when road expenditure priorities are set.

County Commissioner, Olin Hinkle spoke on the importance to the county of a ½ mill building and site request on the August ballot.

There was a motion by Roger Wheeler, supported by Randy Wigent to pay bills and make payments for the month of June for a total amount of \$111,331.76. This motion carried 5-0.

James Galloway questioned the start of a church on Bankers Road.

Zoning Administrator Chuck Rutz asked for a closed session to discuss his performance review. There was a motion by Roger Wheeler supported by Ron Parker to go into closed session to discuss the Zoning Administrator's performance review. This motion carried 5-0. The Township Board went into closed session at 8:25 PM.

The Reading Township Board returned to open session at 8:42 PM.

There was a motion by Roger Wheeler supported by Ron Parker to dismiss Chuck Rutz as the Reading Township Zoning Administrator. This motion carried 5-0.

There was a discussion of a new Zoning Administrator. Dave Newell do the following: Talk with James Galloway about temporally acting as the Zoning Administrator, talk to Orrie Close about taking this job and talk to Doyle Clark about this position. If nothing results from these possibilities, in approximately two weeks, newspaper ads will be published.

There was a motion by Ron Parker supported by Randy Wigent to adjourn. This motion carried 5-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 9:14 PM.

