

## Supervisors Meeting Minutes

February 12, 2009

The Paupack Township Board of Supervisors met on the above date at 7:38 P.M. at the Municipal Building.

There are no sub-divisions for tonight's meeting.

Chairman Chandler explained Resolution 2009-21, better known as "The Right to Know Law", or "The Open Records Law". Paupack Township, Wayne County, Pennsylvania, establishing a formal open records policy for processing requests to examine and/or copy public records held or maintained by the Township and appoints an open records officer within Paupack Township. A motion was made by Tom Oakley to accept this resolution 2009-21, and appoint Leigh Gilbert as the open records officer, seconded by Leigh Gilbert. Vote unanimous.

The Food Pantry will be held at the Township Building on February 26, 2009 from 11 A.M. to 2 P.M.

A motion was made by Leigh Gilbert to approve the minutes from the January 5, 2009 Meeting, seconded by Bruce Chandler. Vote unanimous.

A motion was made by Tom Oakley to approve the Treasurers Report, seconded by Leigh Gilbert. Vote unanimous.

An explanation was offered by Chairman Chandler regarding The Big Bear Campground sewage issues. Solicitor Bugaj also offered commentary on the issues, stating that Sewage Enforcement Officer Chris Martin needs to document everything that has gone on with this issue, along with any new items that may come up.

The bills were presented, and a motion was made by Tom Oakley to accept the bills as presented, seconded by Leigh Gilbert. Vote unanimous.

Jim Martin offered an explanation of where we stand currently with the salt shed issue. Mr. Martin also suggested that the Supervisors should prepare bid packages, and get them out to interested parties. Tom Oakley made a motion to prepare bid packages, and an advertisement as/per the bid packages, seconded by Bruce Chandler. Vote unanimous.

The issue of Outdoor Wood Burning Furnaces was brought up, and an explanation was offered by Solicitor Bugaj, explaining the differences between Civil Proceedings, and Criminal Proceedings. It was also stated that this issue needs to go to the Planning Commission for review prior to being addressed by the Township Supervisors.

Incoming correspondence was presented by Chairman Chandler.

Blue Ridge Communications cable franchise is still an issue. Chairman Chandler offered as explanation of the workings of the cable franchise, with additional commentary by Solicitor Bugaj. It was suggested that a model ordinance may be available through PSATS. A suggestion was made to invite Blue Ridge Communication to a meeting as/per the franchise taxes. It was also mentioned that a look at the history of franchise taxes may be useful.

It was mentioned by Chairman Chandler that the grader is in its death throes, and requires a look see by a qualified diesel mechanic.

Tom Oakley brought up the issue of emergency call responses from 911 to down trees, and the like, stating that it is foolish to send a half a million dollar piece of fire equipment out to cut up a downed tree, when the Township Road Crew is available during normal working hours. It was decided to contact the Communication Center in order to work out a better way of dealing with these types of issues. All agreed.

The meeting was opened up for public comments, and the issue of downed trees, & the fire company came up again, followed by questions regarding the franchise tax, along with an update regarding the Paupack Township Web Site.

Those present were Board Members, Chairman Bruce Chandler, Leigh Gilbert, Tom Oakley, and solicitor Ronald Bugaj. Names of those present are herein filed.

Chairman Chandler entertained a motion to adjourn by Chairman Chandler, seconded by Leigh Gilbert. Vote unanimous.

Leigh Gilbert, Assistant Secretary