

Ligonier Township Supervisors
Special Meeting
8 March 2011

The Supervisors of Ligonier Township met in special session at 6:30 pm to reconvene a public hearing for Bethlen Communities regarding consideration of preliminary approval for a Planned Residential Development of the facility off Carey School Road. The hearing was continued from 8 February 2011 and resulted because Bethlen provided new information to the plan before the Township Engineer had a chance to review it. Subsequently the Township Engineer judged that the changes were significant enough to require continuation of the hearing.

A court reporter was present to swear in all witnesses and transcribe the hearing for the record.

Township Engineer, Nick Coppage, documented changes made subsequent to the 8 February meeting. The meeting was put in recess at 7 pm to allow the business of the regular Supervisor's meeting to be concluded. It was reconvened at 7:39 pm. Coppage concluded his presentation and the attorney for Bethlen, Peggy Hooker, and Township Solicitor, Judith Cizek, compared and placed on the record all the new evidence regarding the case.

The Engineer for Bethlen Communities then explained that all the changes Bethlen has submitted to the plan have resulted from comments received by the Planning Commission, Fire officials, and the Engineer, Solicitor and Zoning Officer – representing the Supervisors. In addition, he made a case that the current plan complies with all applicable sections of the Zoning Ordinance.

Following the presentation, the Supervisors determined that no decision can be made on this plan until the Township is satisfied that the fire companies and traffic engineer have no problems with the changes. The hearing was recessed at 9:39 pm with the understanding that a representative of Bethlen will sign a time extension to 30 April to conclude the decision. The waiver was signed by the Director, Rev. Imre Bertalan, and the meeting stood in recess.

Respectfully submitted,
Keith A Whipkey
Secretary