

**WRIGHTSTOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2004**

The Special Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Wrightstown Township was called to order at 8:15 p.m. by Chair Chester Pogonowski. In attendance were Vice Chair Jane Magne and Member Allen Masenheimer. Also in attendance was Township Administrator, Eileen M. Bradley.

Also at the meeting were the following: Newtown Police Officers Paul Deppi and Thomas Rawa; Council Rock School District Superintendent Mark Klein and Transportation Director Jack Pinheiro; Buckingham Township Police Chief Steve Daniels.

Swamp Road Emergency Closure: Mr. Pogonowski stated that the primary subject of the evening's meeting was to review the status of the Swamp Road closure, which resulted from a landslide at Better Materials Quarry on July 29, 2004. (Attached are bullet points outlining relevant facts.)

Officer Deppi reviewed Truck Enforcement Detail statistics and noted that most truck drivers are being very cautious when driving the posted detour routes.

Mr. Pogonowski called for public comment.

Mr. Bob Millar of Swamp Road noted that he had been experiencing problems with his well after the landslide.

Mr. Ron Markloff of Township Line Road, Buckingham Township, asked about weight restrictions on culverts on Mill Creek Road and the possibility of Better Materials building their own roadway.

Mrs. Kathy Markloff asked the Board to prevent damage to local homes.

Ms. Michele Meckling of Cherry Lane read a statement from neighbors requesting a bypass road.

Mrs. Gabrielle Hoffman of Mill Creek Road requested immediate action for a bypass road.

Ms. Jerilyn Fong of Township Line Road, Buckingham Township, requested all-way stop signs at the Wycombe Post Office.

Ms. Robin Loos of Township Line Road, Buckingham Township, asked the following: if the speed limit on Township Line Road could be reduced to 25 miles per hour; for more enforcement along the detour route; for an alternate exit onto Route 232 for quarry trucks.

Mr. John Rasiej of Cedar Lane asked the following: who was funding the engineering study; who would determine fault; was the quarry in compliance with regulations regarding blasting; would the Township consider adopting a noise ordinance. He requested better signage along Mill Creek Road, additional enforcement, and better snow removal along Mill Creek Road.

Mr. Shawn McNally of Penns Park Road stated that speeding passenger vehicles were also a problem.

Ms. Linda Jonovich of Township Line Road asked for additional enforcement on Township Line Road in Pineville.

Mr. Frank Haas of Cherry Lane asked if the State Police could assist with enforcement.

Ms. Jo Vasquez of Township Line Road thanked police officers for their diligence and stated that an access road was needed. She asked the Board if they would consider joining in with Buckingham Township's lawsuit against the quarries.

Mrs. Doris Sivel of Second Street Pike suggested that "Slow-Children" signs be placed at residences along the detour route.

Mr. Scott Anderson of Swamp Road said that trucks are a regional problem that must be solved. He encouraged residents to pressure PADOT for solutions and to attend regional traffic meetings.

Ms. Muriel Gordon of Forrest Grove Road, Buckingham Township, encouraged people to contact their legislators for support.

Mr. Rich Meyers of Wilkinson Road, Warwick Township, said that culverts on Rushland-Jamison Road were collapsing from truck traffic.

Mr. Dave Dutko of Worthington Mill Road asked whom the Township Administrator had spoken to at PADOT. He stressed that residents support regional traffic efforts.

Mrs. Anna Froshour of Swamp Road said that truck drivers are not solely to blame for traffic problems.

Superintendent Mark Klein asked residents to call with any complaints of unsafe driving by school bus drivers.

Mr. Pogonowski noted that the final report on the stability of the area surrounding the landslide would be submitted to DEP by September 17. The Township Administrator would continue to keep in contact with all involved agencies and parties to see that Wrightstown Township's voice was heard.

Other Business: Reshetar/ Park Avenue Major Subdivision: The Land Development and Financial Security Agreement and the Final Linens for the Reshetar/Park Avenue Major Subdivision had been executed by the developer and were ready for execution by the Board of Supervisors. Ms. Bradley noted that arrangements had been made with the Solicitor's office to collect all outstanding paperwork and fees prior to recording of the Agreement or Linens.

On a motion by Ms. Magne, seconded by Mr. Masenheimer, the Land Development and Financial Security Agreement and Final Linens were authorized for execution. All were in favor.

R.T. Homes Minor Subdivision: On a motion by Mr. Masenheimer, seconded by Ms. Magne, Final Linens for R.T. Homes Minor Subdivision were approved for execution. All were in favor.

Fisher Minor Subdivision: On a motion by Ms. Magne, seconded by Mr. Masenheimer, Final Linens for the Fisher Minor Subdivision were approved for execution. All were in favor.

There being no further business or comment, Mr. Masenheimer made a motion, seconded by Ms. Magne to adjourn at 11:25 p.m. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Eileen M. Bradley
Township Administrator