

**POCONO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
SPECIAL MEETING WITH  
MONROE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION  
JULY 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015 5:00 P.M.**

The Special meeting of the Pocono Township Commissioners was held on 07/09/2015 at the Pocono Township Municipal Building, Tannersville, PA, and was opened by President Richard Wielebinski at 5:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:** Rich Wielebinski, present; Jerry Lastowski, present; Tom Felver, present; Peter Nish, present; and Brad Wise, present. Gregg Schuster, Twp. Manager; and Pamela Finkbeiner, Twp. Secretary, were present.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** The Board of Commissioners will not hold a special meeting on 07/20/2015 at 5:30 p.m. to discuss the sign ordinance and will instead have the special meeting on 08/03/2015 at 5:30 p.m.

R. Wielebinski made a motion, seconded by P. Nish, to change the meeting date for the special meeting for the sign ordinance to 08/03/2015 at 5:30 p.m. Roll call vote: R. Wielebinski, yes; J. Lastowski, yes; T. Felver, yes; P. Nish, yes; and B. Wise, yes. Motion carried.

**BILLS AND TRANSFERS:** J. Lastowski made a motion, seconded by R. Wielebinski, to approve the Bill's list of 07/09/2015. Roll call vote: R. Wielebinski, yes; J. Lastowski, yes; T. Felver, abstained; P. Nish, yes; and B. Wise, abstained. Motion carried.

**AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA: None**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS: None**

**MONROE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION:**

Eric Koopman and George Basila, Monroe County Planning Commission.

E. Koopman requested a meeting with the Commissioners and P.C. to discuss the draft sign ordinance. MCPC will submit a memo of their recommendations on the sign ordinance to the Board.

Key points discussed:

1. 715 realignment - discussion on the proposed location of the realignments and connection to Sullivan Trail.
2. 715/611 corridor improvements, Frantz Hill Road intersection, and overall traffic congestion.
3. Plan submittals to the MCPC.
4. Official Map:
  - a. Creation of the map - planning, identification, and mapping of Open spaces, Recreation areas, roadways, traffic concerns, etc.
  - b. Uses as a Planning tool for grants and improvements.
  - c. Overlay maps - village type zones, road improvement areas, etc.
5. Updating the Open Space and Recreation Plan with the assistance of the Township's recreation committee and MCPC.
6. Road overlay map showing areas needed for traffic improvements.
7. MPO - updating of the 4 county Traffic plan.

Discussion followed on roadway improvements to Rt. 715 and 611, funding possibilities, and future development.

B. Wise commented on the need for road improvements such as ingress/egress for emergency vehicles to Camelback; installing off-ramps on I-80 at Warner Rd to relieve congestion at Rt. 715 and Sullivan Trail; extending Frantz Hill Road and Rt. 611 intersection to connect to MCTA, State Police Barracks, Scotrun Estates and Sullivan's Crossing; and pedestrian crossing at Spirit of Swiftwater and Rt. 314. He suggested School bus pull-offs along Rt. 611 to keep traffic moving.

B. Wise questioned the recycling of leaves and the cost to township residents.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Judi Coover, Twp. resident, commented on the need for road improvements.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

R. Wielebinski made a motion, seconded by T. Felver, to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m. Roll call vote: R. Wielebinski, yes; J. Lastowski, yes; T. Felver, yes; P. Nish, yes; and B. Wise, yes. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted  
Pamela Finkbeiner  
Township Secretary