

TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MAKEFIELD
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING MINUTES – MAY 30, 2007

A special meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Lower Makefield was held in the Municipal Building on May 30, 2007. Chairman Smith called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m. Mr. Caiola called the roll and noted that Mr. Santarsiero is absent.

Those present: Ron Smith, Chairman
 Greg Caiola, Vice-Chairman
 Grace Godshalk Supervisor
 Pete Stainthorpe, Supervisor

Absent: Steve Santarsiero, Secretary

Others: Terry Fedorchak, Township Manager

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 2146

Mr. Fedorchak stated at the end of last year the Township submitted 3 flood mitigation grant applications to FEMA. The grant applications were \$1,100,000 to acquire land located in the flood plain, \$1,100,000 to elevate nine homes and \$2,800,000 for various flood mitigation structures. He stated on May 16, 2007 he received a response from FEMA that they would not fund any of the projects applied for. Mr. Fedorchak stated that he asked for more information on why FEMA would not fund the projects and FEMA stated they received 38 applications statewide and only 8 could be funded in western Pennsylvania. None of the grant applications from Bucks County or eastern Pennsylvania were funded. Mr. Fedorchak indicated to FEMA that the Township was very disappointed that it was not granted any money.

Mr. Fedorchak stated on May 18, 2007, Don Smith a hazardous mitigation officer with FEMA in Harrisburg announced FEMA will have a second round of funding for flood mitigation projects. Mr. Fedorchak stated FEMA would fund 75% of the total cost of elevation projects. He stated the homeowner would be responsible to fund the 25% balance to elevate their home. The grant application deadline is June 4th.

Mr. Fedorchak stated he is asking the Board to approve this resolution so that he can apply for the grant money. He stated the resolution amends the Board of Supervisor's approval of inclusion in the county mitigation plan to include specific Lower Makefield properties to be eligible for federal money. Mr. Fedorchak stated in the resolution, 10 properties are identified based on FEMA's analysis. He stated of the 10 properties, 5 homeowners have expressed interest to elevate their homes. The Township could be eligible for up to \$1,000,000 in grant money and it is his recommendation to approve the resolution.

Mr. Stainthorpe moved and Mr. Caiola seconded to approve Resolution 2146.

Mrs. Godshalk stated on 5 homes the benefits are over \$800,000 and asked if FEMA would allocate the money to each of the homes or the Township. Mr. Fedorchak stated the Township would only act in an oversight capacity and FEMA would allocate the money to each of the homeowners. The homeowners are responsible to obtain estimates and secure contractors to elevate their homes. He stated the Township would be reimbursed for administrative costs incurred in administering the grant.

The motion unanimously carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

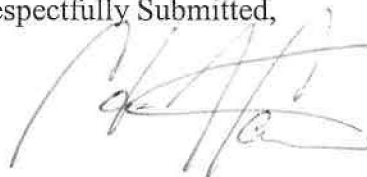
None noted.

OTHER BUSINESS

None noted.

The meeting was unanimously adjourned at 8:45 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve Santarsiero", written over a faint, illegible stamp or watermark.

Steve Santarsiero, Secretary