

SUMMIT TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS

Public Hearing

August 20, 2018

Vice-Chairman Welka called a second public hearing of the Board of Supervisors to order at 4:35 p.m. immediately following the first public hearing.

CALL TO ORDER

Solicitor Sennett explained that the proposed Ordinance #2018-08, prohibits the destruction and befouling of streets and thoroughfares. The Second Class Township Code 67326 states that the Township has the obligation to remove and repair nuisances and obstructions occurring on the Township's public roadways. Proposed Ordinance #2018-08, provides the Township with a method of enforcement to ensure no damages to Township Roads are caused by third parties. This Ordinance describes the violations and penalties including the enforcement as a summary offense, of a fine of not more than \$1,000 plus costs, or imprisonment not to exceed ninety (90) days.

PURPOSE OF
HEARING:
Destruction &
befouling of streets

Ken Mattern, 129 Frank Avenue, asked if blowing cut grass or leaves on the roadway would apply as a nuisance on the roadways. Solicitor Sennett responded that this proposed Ordinance would not apply as leaves and grass would cause no physical damage to the road surface. Supervisor Welka added that this Ordinance addresses damage heavy equipment could cause if use negligently.

PUBLIC INPUT

Jim Chojnacki, 9481 Old French Road, asked if a vehicle being dragged out of a ditch causes damage would apply. Solicitor Sennett responded that each instance would be on a case-by-case basis.

Jim Chojnacki, 9481 Old French Road, asked about tire track damage caused by cars spinning tires. Mr. Chojnacki cited recent problems on Old French Road near Picnicana. Supervisor Welka responded that typically the tire marks are cosmetic only, and do not damage the road structure. Supervisor Davis added that he is aware of the on-going problem in the area and the State Police have been put on notice to monitor the area more often.

With no further input from the public, Vice-Chairman Welka closed the hearing at 4:42 p.m.

HEARING CLOSED

Respectfully submitted,

Christene S. Yeast
Recording Secretary
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