Regular Monthly Meeting November 20, 2008

The regular monthly meeting of the Shenango Township Board of Supervisors was held on Thursday, November 20, 2008, 7:00 pm at the Shenango Township Municipal Building with Supervisors Larry Herman, Bob Peters and William Albertini present.

The meeting was opened with a salute to the flag.

The minutes were read and approved from the previous meeting.

The Police Report was read by Officer Domenick.

Motion by Mr. Peters second by Mr. Albertini to approve payment of the general fund expenses.

Motion by Mr. Peters second by Mr. Albertini to approve payment of the sewer fund expenses.

Motion by Mr. Peters second by Mr. Albertini to approve the Richard O. Aiken Subdivision, contingent upon approval of the Lawrence County Planning Department, declaration will be used for agricultural purposes any use to this parcel for mineral removal requires additional review and approval.

Motion by Mr. Peters second by Mr. Albertini to approve Resolution #4 of 2008, Plan Revision for new land development for Jason's Woods phase III.

Motion by Mr. Peters second by Mr. Albertini to ratify the termination of David Tresky as the Shenango Township Chief of Police.

Public Comment:

Mr. Oran Allen, Savannah Gardner Road, extended his wishes for a Happy Thanksgiving, Mr. Allen expressed his concern for the dismissal of the Chief of Police stating that all townships are not the same, were the do's and don'ts of the position explained. Township Solicitor, Gabriel Cilli, stated that the Township cannot and will not disclose the reasons for the dismissal, personnel matters cannot be discussed at a public meeting.

Linda Speed, Cornell Avenue, stated that Mr. Tresky met with her and helped to resolve a debt she incurred through her business, she believed that through his intervention this person was prompted to satisfy the debt. Ms. Speed also stated that she would like a fire hydrant installed closer to her home.

Mr. David Tresky, Muzzy Drive, stated that he provided the New Castle News with his termination letter; he stated that he believes that the items listed are untrue and will prove

so in court. Mr. Tresky thanked the supervisors for the opportunity and feels he did not deserve the firing.

Mr. Bill Watkins, Gardner Center Road, asked if all items in the letter were disclosed in the New Castle News, Attorney Cill, stated that the township cannot comment on the letter, Mr. Tresky would have to answer the question. Mr. Tresky stated that he believes that the items are unfounded but there were mentions of discriminatory and racial remarks.

Mr. Joe Budai, Melody Lane, asked if the township has a residency requirement for all full time employees. Mr. Herman stated that it does.

Mrs. June Duda, Willowbrook Road, stated that Mr. Tresky, was called to her home regarding the burning of leaves. She believes he handled the situation as a gentlemen and would like him to be reinstated.

Mr. Ray Moyer, Rose Stop Road, complemented the Police Department on the fine work that they do. He stated that he has known Mr. Tresky for many years and is a fine person and feels that his dismissal is wrong. Mr. Moyer asked if the Supervisors could sit down with Mr. Tresky and try to resolve any issues. Mr. Herman stated that he would seek the advice of legal counsel on the matter.

Mr. Jerry Ferilla, Old Pittsburgh Road, stated that there is a continuing problem with speeding on Old Pittsburgh Road. Mr. Ferilla stated that he contacted the 911 center, as well as, the Supervisors. Mr. Ferilla has given permission to the police to sit in his driveway to catch speeding vehicles, he believes that residential areas should be watched before route 422. Slowing people down and saving lives is more important the over time.

Motion by Mr. Herman second by Mr. Peters to adjourn.