

11- 9-2019

An informal meeting was held with residents of Zigler Road, Pittston Township on November 9, 2011 at 10:00 PM. This was not an official meeting of the Township in that it was not advertised as a special meeting. Attached is a listing of the residents who attended the meeting and the Township was represented by Supervisor Steve Rinaldi, Manager John Bonita and Solicitor Len Sanguedolce.

Residents feel that the major concern is (1) water runoff; (2) Traffic; and (3) trash being dumped.

Residents have been asking the Township for many years to adopt Zigler Road, impose signage restricting usage and speed and contain water runoff. Supervisors in the past have not considered adopting the roads. Residents at the last monthly meeting of the Supervisors requested action - either decide to take over the road or not. The Township decided to call a meeting with the residents to discuss the options. The Solicitor explained that the meeting was solely for the purpose of collecting information and no official action could be taken.

Residents and legal representatives presented their position that the Township should adopt the road even if it was to maintain it in its present condition. Mr. Sulima stated he felt the problem was created by the Township and that the Township is responsible for the road and therefore should adopt the road.

Mr. Bonita discussed grant proceeds and advised those in attendance that the earliest grant application can be made to the Commonwealth would be in prior to July 31, 2010 deadline date. Award, **if approved**, would be made in either the spring or summer of 2021 and construction either fall of 2021 or spring of 2022. Mr. Bonita explained that in the grant application could only be made by the Township IF the Township owned the road; then the scope of the project must be clearly stated, which would include engineering design and construction estimates.

The actual location of the road was discussed..... Residents asked about the recent survey and survey stakes which were set by the engineering firm. Several residential properties would be impacted if the road was to be placed according to deed and maps. Supervisor Rinaldi stated that the survey was necessary in order to determine exactly where the road is and what could be done IF the Township decided to adopt the road.

Solicitor Sanguedolce discussed the alternative possibility that a Homeowners Association be formed and then take ownership of the road. Solicitor Sanguedolce also made mention that IF the Township did acquire the road and grant funds were not available and demands were made by residents for major improvements the cost could be passed on to the residents according to the Second Class Township Code.

The end result of the meeting was that the residents lawyer and our Solicitor would mutually try to contact the current road owner and see if they would be willing to deed a portion of the road to the Township. The decision of the Supervisors would be made based on the findings of the Solicitor.

Zigler Road

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