

**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES – TOWNSHIP LINE DRIVE
BETHEL TOWNSHIP AND SWATARA TOWNSHIP
SEPTEMBER 4, 2018 – 9:00 A.M.**

A special meeting was held at 9:06 a.m. at the Swatara Township Municipal Building, 68 Supervisors Drive, Jonestown, Pa regarding Township Line Drive with the following people present:

Reginald Daubert	Swatara Township Supervisor
Richard Kreitzer	Swatara Township Supervisor
Dean Patches	Swatara Township Supervisor
Shawn Hernley	Bethel Township Supervisor
Charles Mengel, Sr.	Bethel Township Supervisor
Richard Rudy	Bethel Township Supervisor
Melissa Johnson	Bethel Township Manager
John Enck	Bethel Township Solicitor

There were no audience members in attendance.

Township Line Drive – Discussion was held on the August 14, 2003 Township Line Drive agreement between Swatara Township and Bethel Township. Supervisor Patches reviewed paragraph two, paragraph 4 and paragraph 5 of the agreement.

Supervisor Patches questioned what happened since the December 14, 2017 workshop. Swatara believed the agreement was being upheld, the annual payment was made for 2018, and Jennifer and Melissa got the fire hydrant and street light billing transferred, so they are unclear why Bethel Township Supervisors changed their minds. He was puzzled by the events.

The Bethel Township Supervisors and Solicitor Enck explained that they left the workshop unclear if there was an agreement.

Solicitor Enck agreed that the following items were discussed at the workshop; the staff would work together to have the billing transferred from Bethel Township to Swatara Township for the Street Light and Fire Hydrants, the County will be contacted to determine which properties are affected by the change, Swatara Township's solicitor and the FSWA Solicitor will address the billing situation and the need for a modified agreement, the 2003-2018 liquid fuels reimbursement to Bethel Township, the installation of monuments and that both townships would look at all future plans to prevent a situation like this from happening again, but there was never talk about a hard and fast not a hard and fast agreement.

Supervisor Mengel stated that Bethel Township wanted to have the road deeded to Swatara Township since it was proven to no longer be in Bethel Township and to have both townships released from the August 14, 2003 agreement.

Discussion then held on the condition of the road, Bethel Township's road standards, how winter maintenance will be handled, having monuments placed, zoning enforcement, and code enforcement.

After some discussion, the Boards asked that Solicitor Enck prepare the wording for a motion to be considered by both Boards at their meetings on September 13, 2018, to have a new deed prepared turning Township Line Drive over to Swatara Township and a mutual release agreement, releasing all parties from the August 14, 2003 agreement.

Solicitor Enck stated he will prepare a draft motion to be sent to the Bethel Township Supervisors to review first and then to the Swatara Township solicitor to review with the Swatara Township Supervisors.

The Boards agreed that permanent monuments need to be placed at some point, that way this problem doesn't happen in the future. Both Boards hope to be able to budget in 2019, but are unsure with the recent flooding.

Solicitor Enck was unsure how the enforcement would work for zoning and code enforcement, but will look into it.

A winter maintenance agreement will be made, whether in writing or a gentleman's agreement after both Boards talk with their foreman's.

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It was agreed upon to let things from the past in the past and more forward working together in the future.

ADJOURNMENT – The meeting adjourned at 9:58 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Melissa Johnson
Recording Secretary
Bethel Township**