

Watts Township  
August 19, 2020

Present: Chairman Karl Raudensky, Supervisor Darren Miller, Secretary/Treasurer Nancy Cangioli, Solicitor Fenicle, Ralph Rudy, Joe and Jeanette Shelton, Arlene Dorman, Eddie Gault. By phone Angela and Robert Ehrhardt

The Watts Township Board of Supervisors special meeting to discuss the issues with parking on Knuth Rd was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 19, 2020 at the Watts Buffalo Community Center by Chairman Karl Raudensky with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Secretary announced that the meeting was being recorded to aid in the preparation of the minutes.

Supervisor Miller stated the purpose of the meeting is to discuss and try to resolve the issues with parking on Knuth Rd. He asked everyone to be civil and respect one another or the meeting will be adjourned. He has 6 topics on the matters: 1) The Township should not be contacted about any physical or verbal harassment, trespassing, surveillance of any type, property line disputes or pets, these are civil matters.

2) The township is in the process of looking into constructing a barrier at the end of the road to prevent anyone from driving off the end of the road.

3) The speed limit issue-a speed study was done and it was recommended to post it at 30 mph but the Board of Supervisors agreed it should be 25. Jeanette and Angela would like it to be reduced to 15 and at the most 20 for the safety of the children. Solicitor Fenicle stated it would take a special study to post it below 25 if it's even possible but will check into it. Robert Ehrhardt suggested a speed bump. Secretary Cangioli stated we receive Liquid Fuels for that road and speed bumps are not allowed.

4) The second driveway to Mr. Gault's property. He spoke to the Engineer who stated that nothing in the any of the ordinances prevents this. Jeanette stated they are not disputing that, the problem is he should not be up on Knuth Rd and is disputing the address that was given to him. Nancy denied her request to change Mr. Gault's address back to Buffalo Creek Rd per Dave Unger at Perry County GIS who recommended the address should be assigned to where the home is and the Secretary has the authority to assign addresses. Jeanette said this is what is causing all the issues. Joe stated this second driveway does not accommodate the extra traffic. This is what has caused the parking dispute. There has never been a parking problem before. The property owners have been parking on the road for years before this. Robert Ehrhardt stated before the road was deeded to the township that section in front of his property was their driveway. Mr. Gault should be more respectful of the history of the road.

Solicitor Fenicle stated this is a municipal road, receiving liquid fuels, the deed is recorded in the courthouse and per the law the right of way is 33' and that it is a public township road under the law. The township has the right to adopt rules, regulations and ordinances for the road. He stated this is a matter between families. The township Engineer has the authority to issue drive way permits on public roads.

Per Solicitor Fenicle's recommendation a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 6:57 p.m.; Miller/Raudensky. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Nancy Cangioli  
Secretary