

A Special Meeting was held November 7, 2012 at 7:00 PM for the purpose of receiving public comment on a petition of Patricia M. Warehime to vacate a portion of Trolley Road and called to order by Chairman Tim Hansen.

Tim Hansen, Larry Sterner, Matt Bollinger, Steve McKonly, John Leen and Norma Markle were present.

Others present were Tricia & Mike Warehime, Jim Yingst, Dustin Dutterer, Heather Altland, Alan Bowersox, Charles & Dianna Sweeney, Robert Diehl, Delores & Ken Bange, Joan & Dennis Leese, Mary & Ken Smith, Edwin Strausbaugh, Tom Rennick, John Mooney, Sally Yelland, Vickie Moul, John, Chad & Michelle Dyarman, Marlene & Fred Hansen, Neal Dutterer, Michelle & Andy Warehime, Mark Armstrong, Gwen Loose, Jim Farley, Scott Rabenstine, Chief Bean, Cleo Wildasin and several residents who names could not be read and some that did not sign in.

Steve McKonly asked Mr. Mooney to present the petition to vacate Trolley Road. Mr. Mooney stated that Andy Warehime made the request to close Trolley Road and presented comments from Rettew favorable for this closure. A cul-de-sac would be required on the Jacobs Mill Road end and would be built to township specifications by Warehime.

Mr. Mooney then questioned Andy Warehime;

- The speed limit is 25 MPH and people speed all the time.
- 3 dead spots on this road which is dangerous with approaching traffic
- Road built for one vehicle
- Has witnessed a bad accident
- Ruts along the road from vehicles running off of road
- Really is not a short cut
- Has had many close calls on this road
- Water run-off problems and ponds on the road
- Snow is a problem
- Barn is 6 inches from the road and has been hit 3 times
- Worried about the safety of his children if he moves there
- Farmers and Emergency vehicles would have access to the road
- This is all about safety

Jim Farley is the caretaker of the Warehime property for the past 15 years and stated he sees tire marks along the road and picks up car parts from hitting the barn.

Jim Yingst, representing Mike Warehime, President of ARWCO and also Sally Yelland. Mike Warehime presented a request to keep the road open.

- Needs access for farmers to get to the fields
- Needs access for renters to get to their property

- Picks up debris from their yard all the time, along Moulstown Road
- Road has been open for over 200 years
- Was petitioned to close before and was denied
- Travels the road frequently
- Feels the condition of the road is good
- Is plowed during snow storms

Atty. Yingst stated that to close a road you need to prove that it is burden, useless or inconvenient and feels it should remain open;

- Serves other township residents
- Adds more traffic to Gitts Run, Moulstown & Jacobs Mill Roads
- The pond on the property is used by the Fire Company for water in emergencies
- Would devalue other homes

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- Robert Diehl - Who would pay for the cul-de-sac? Warehimes
- Mary Smith - How would the emergency vehicles get through? The would be given the code number to the gate.
- Vickie Moul - There is ponding on Jacobs Mill Road, has been used for Life Lion to land. Very upsetting.
- Marlene Hansen - Road is a convenience to the residents of Manor Drive
- Phyllis Bange - When it floods they can not access Jacobs Mill Road from Trolley Road
- Tom Rennick - When it rains and accidents occur on Moulstown and Jacobs Mill Roads, Trolley Road is used as a detour
- Joan Leese - Who would plow cul-de-sac on each side? Township
- Neil Dutterer - Walks along Trolley Road, for safety reasons
- Gwen Loose - Y/C Rail Trail - Public lands for public use such as the Rail Trail
- Ed Strausbaugh - Would be nice to have a family living in the house again. Much safer for him to make a right turn from his driveway and use Trolley Road because of the hill on Jacobs Mill Road for sight distance reasons
- Allen Bowersox - Has been using Trolley Road for years
- Ken Bange - Cul-de-sac would be in their yard and would not like a lot of people turning around there

The Board recessed at 7:35 PM for an Executive Session.

Reconvened at 7:40 PM.

Matt Bollinger stated that based upon the testimony given he votes to deny the petition, Larry Sterner seconded and Tim Hansen concurred.

The Board thanked the public for attending and sharing their concerns.

Meeting adjourned at 7:41 PM.

*Norma Markle, Sec.*