

Editors Note: Although this meeting was advertised in the Pocono Record on Tuesday, October 25, 2011 for a Special Meeting of the Middle Smithfield Township Board of Supervisors to be held on Wednesday, October 26, 2011 at 6:00 P.M. at the Schoonover Municipal Building, no quorum was present due to the resignations of Scott R. Schaller and Robert F. Spano, Sr. on October 21, 2011 in Monroe County Court.

Members in attendance: Supervisor Mitchell Marcus. Also attending, Township Secretary Michele Clewell and numerous interested parties.

Mr. Marcus thanked everyone for coming to the meeting and showing their support.

Supervisor Mitchell Marcus read from a prepared statement that has been made a part of these minutes.

Following the reading of his prepared statement, Mr. Marcus stated that he envisions non-agenda items being placed on the meeting agendas and possibly limiting public comment to (5) minutes for each speaker.

Public Comment

Rick Roberts of the March of Dimes stated that the organization has not received the proceeds from the March of Dimes Golf for Babies Golf Tournament that was held at Country Club of the Poconos yet. Mr. Marcus asked Mr. Roberts to speak to the Township Secretary in order to investigate why the March of Dimes has not been given their money.

A question was asked as to who is the Township Solicitor now. Mr. Marcus stated that no decision has been made.

The golf membership for CCP was discussed.

Attorney Jane Maughan stated that after researching and not finding anything about a single Supervisor with a Township under possibly solvency, she advised Mitchell Marcus to terminate employees. Needless to say she refers to Judge Vican's Court Order. Mr. Marcus made a management decision and her legal decision was wrong and for that she apologizes.

Attorney Maughan stated that if offered the position of Township Solicitor she would not accept the offer as it would be inappropriate and the Board of Supervisors need new counsel, she will not accept the offer.

There were several residents that thanked Mr. Marcus and Attorney Maughan.

Mitchell Marcus thanked everyone for calling and for the offer of help. He asked Gary Summers to be the Volunteer Coordinator and stated that if anyone is interested in volunteering to contact Mr. Summers or Michele Clewell and she will forward the information to Mr. Summers.

There were several suggestions to sell the clubhouse/golf course, give back the golf course/clubhouse

to the CCP residents, install the front and back gates at CCP, have an outside forensic audit done and hold those people accountable.

A question was asked if Scott Schaller is still on the Planning Commission. Mr. Marcus said yes.

The meeting concluded at 6:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele L. Clewell,
Township Secretary
October 26, 2011