LOWER NAZARETH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES APRIL 8, 2014

The Lower Nazareth Township Board of Supervisors held a special meeting at Lower Nazareth Elementary School on Tuesday April 8, 2014. The Vice-Chairman called the meeting to order at 5:10 PM.

Present were:

Eric E. Nagle*	-	Chairman	Albert Kortze	-	Engineer
James S. Pennington	-	Vice Chairman	Gary Asteak	-	Solicitor
Robert S. Kucsan	-	Supervisor	Timm A. Tenges	-	Manager, Secretary/Treasurer
Gerald R. Green	-	Supervisor	Tammi Dravecz	_	Assistant Secretary/Treasurer
Martin J. Boucher*	-	Supervisor	Lori B. Seese	-	Zoning Administrator

^{*}Supervisor arrived late

Conditional Use Hearing - Industrial Developments International (IDI) CU#2013-02

Solicitor Asteak re-opened the hearing with a brief explanation of what was expected to be cover at the evening's meeting and to remind everyone of the ground rules. Solicitor Asteak also indicated that the next, and potentially final hearing date, will be Wednesday May 14th at 5:00pm at Lower Nazareth Elementary School.

Mr. Mineo returned to the witness stand and Mr. Scheer resumed questioning the witness. Mr. Noel and Mr. Marles questioned the witness. Mr. Vargo had no questions.

******Mr. Boucher arrived at 5:40pm*****

Residents questioned Mr. Mineo. Mr. Noel and Mr. Scheer asked a few follow up questions.

*****Brief break from 6:10pm - 6:15pm ******

Mr. Vargo called his witness, Mary Spitale, 112 Oxford Drive. Mrs. Spitale suffers from a disease that affects her lung function and she is dependent on oxygen to breathe. Currently her family enjoys spending time outdoors on the patio and in their pool. She fears they will be unable to spend time outdoors due to pollution from the trucks. Mrs. Spitale is also concerned about her property value, her neighborhood, and increased traffic.

Mr. Noel and Mr. Scheer had no questions. Mr. Marles questioned the witness. Mr. Vargo had follow up questions.

Now the residents with "standing" were permitted to provide comments. Solicitor Asteak reminded everyone what "standing" means. He also reiterated that there were to be no redundant comments and that anyone interrupting or interjecting comments would be ejected.

George Kunsman, 3729 Newburg Road, Lower Nazareth Township, is a single parent to a 3-year old and is worried about crimes of opportunity and air quality.

Ginger Buscher, 2731 Newburg Road, Palmer Township, does not agree with the location of this facility.

Patricia Musselman, 3766 Newburg Road, Lower Nazareth Township, lives just 65 feet from the ring road of this proposed facility. She asked that the supervisors "Please use common sense."

Ron Musselman, 3766 Newburg Road, Lower Nazareth Township, added to his wife's comments with concerns about water flow.

Patrick Denny, 2718 Cresmont Avenue, Palmer Township asked what the difference is between this proposal and a truck terminal, which is strictly prohibited?

Melissa Garcsar, 3754 Newburg Road, Lower Nazareth Township, stated that her property is as close to this facility as the Musselmans'. She feels this facility will have an adverse affect on her family; including a small child.

Lynn Neel, 3100 Hecktown Road, Palmer Township, already endures noise and light pollution from Keystone Foods and Phillips Feed.

Pat McPherson, 214 Oxford Drive, Palmer Township, has noise and air quality pollution concerns. She also noted that, from her home, she can hear the loud speaker at Milham Ford. Mrs. McPherson would like the operating hours limited and for the BOS to require ice removal equipment for the trucks.

Richard Bath, 204 Oxford, Palmer Township, has water run-off concerns. The field that IDI is proposing to build on, and the one previously proposed, drain on to his street.

******Mr. Nagle arrived at 7:05pm*****

Warren Jorgesen, 33 Alpine Drive, Palmer Township, has begun looking for a new home because of this proposed facility.

Lawrence Pudloski, 3051 Hermitage Avenue, Palmer Township, has noise and air pollution concerns. He already deals with Phillips Feed. Mr. Pudloski, doesn't believe that IDI is being honest about the number of expected trucks.

Ann Pudloski, 3051 Hermitage Avenue, Palmer Township, added to her husband's comments by stating their problems with Phillips Feed, including the employees speeding. People walk down Hermitage to get to the Palmer Pool and she is concerned about residents' safety.

Patricia Minford, 3109 Val Vista, Palmer Township, stated concerns about air pollution.

Richard Tucker, 3105 Hecktown Road, Palmer Township, has seen the area develop and traffic increase over the years. He is concerned about the added noise and air pollution from this proposed facility.

Chiara Montague, 3042 Hecktown Road, Palmer Township, stated that traffic is very busy and she already has issues getting into and out of her driveway. She also has a hard time just crossing the street safely. Air pollution is an additional concern.

Margaret Schofield, 116 Oxford Drive, Palmer Township, hopes the Board will look out for the best interest of the residents.

Steven Dobos, 3104 Val Vista Drive, Palmer Township, likes to spend time outdoors and has to wear earplugs to tune out the back up beepers from Phillips Feed. He also has air quality concerns.

Charlie Brown, 18 Beaver Lane, Palmer Township, wants a formal environmental impact study to determine impacts of the environment from this proposed facility.

Gary Read, 3751 Newburg Road, Lower Nazareth Township, his yard will be adjacent to the proposed project. He can hear the PA system from the car dealership and trucks driving down Newburg Road. Mr. Read has a small child and is concerned for her safety. He also has concerns about run-off getting into the water and also the formation of sinkholes.

The public comment portion ended

Solicitor Asteak reported that additional rebuttal witnesses will be called by the applicant at the next hearing.

Testimony concluded for the evening around 7:40pm. The hearing will continue on Wednesday May 14th at 5:00pm Lower Nazareth Elementary School.

Respectfully submitted by,

Tammi Dravecz

Assistant Secretary/Treasurer