

Public Hearing
Motor Freight Terminal Conditional Use Hearing #17
June 11, 2008

The North Middleton Township Supervisors held a continued public hearing on June 11, 2008 at the Township Municipal Building, 2051 Spring Road, Carlisle PA. Chairman Richard A. Bucher called the hearing to order at 6:35 p.m. Board members present Vice Chairman Robert Shearer, Supervisor Harry Kelso, Supervisor Dennis Hurley, Supervisor Robert Reisinger, Solicitor Mark Allshouse, and Recording Secretary Dana Billet.

Visitors: **See attachment #1**

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag opened the meeting.

Chairman Bucher ask if there were any administrative items to be discussed. Chairman Bucher reminded the audience that there was an outburst at the previous meeting and this will not be tolerated. Chairman Bucher reminded the audience that there are copies of the Proper Meeting Decorum Enforcement Statement available at the Secretary's table.

Chairman Bucher turned the meeting over to Solicitor Allshouse. Solicitor Allshouse suggested the Board schedule additional hearings in July. After a brief discussion it was decided that additional meetings would be scheduled for July 9th at 6:30pm and July 29th at 6:30pm. Supervisor Hurley ask when the 100 days are up. Solicitor Allshouse stated the date would be June 29th. Solicitor Allshouse stated he received a letter from Mr. Wolf this evening to extend his 100 days.

Mr. Wolf resumed the testimony of Doug Plank. Mr. Plank was testifying in regards to the traffic studies completed by Grove Miller and the response letters received from Trans Associates.

Mr. Plank stated he felt the traffic studies were out of date. The LogistiCenter was not open when the traffic counts were completed. Mr. Plank stated he has concerns with the traffic study completed by Grove Miller in regards to the right turn lane, the speed of the traffic, the traffic counts, and the ability of the trucks to turn into the property properly.

Mr. Plank stated he agreed with much of what the Township's traffic engineer said.

Mr. Plank suggested that the LogistiCenter be included and other new developments in the area be included in a traffic study.

Mr. Wolf concluded his questioning.

Mr. Moore stated that another expert testified in regards to how long it takes for that truck to accelerate to speed was only 10 seconds. Mr. Plank stated he didn't think it would take 10 seconds.

Mr. Moore ask if Mr. Plank had been at the intersection of Allen Road and 11 during shift changes. Mr. Plank stated he was. Mr. Moore ask if traffic continues to back up in that area will people find another way home. Mr. Plank stated they would.

Mr. Moore ask if the definition of truck terminal is what was being proposed at this site. Mr. Plank stated he did not think it was.

Mr. Lucas was then given the opportunity to question Mr. Plank. Mr. Lucas ask if Mr. Plank thought his review was more thorough then the traffic engineer. Mr. Plank stated he thought it was.

Discussion was held regarding the definition of a commercial truck. Solicitor Allshouse read the definition of a commercial truck from the North Middleton Township Code Book.

Mr. Lucas, Supervisor Shearer and Solicitor Allshouse had a discussion regarding the LogistiCenter and the access to Meadowbrook Road.

Mr. Wolf stated Mr. Plank is unavailable to testify on June 23, he will be available at the July 9 meeting.

Mr. Wolf wanted to enter some exhibits from tonight's testimony. Solicitor Allshouse stated he did not want to admit any exhibits until Mr. Lucas is done redirecting.

A full transcript of the hearing can be found at the Municipal Building.

Adjournment

Supervisor Shearer moved to continue the public hearing to July 9, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. Supervisor Reisinger seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Township Secretary

Dana A. Billet
Recording Secretary