

**MT. PLEASANT TWP. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' SPECIAL MEETING OF JANUARY 13, 2009**

The special meeting of January 13, 2009, was called to order at 10:14 a.m. by Chairman Dinsmore with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Those present were: William L. Dinsmore, Chairman (WD), Larry H. Grimm, Vice-Chairman (LG), Shane D. Maga, Supervisor (SM), William A. Johnson, Solicitor (WJ) was absent, Larry Chome, Zoning Officer (LC), Mary Ann Stevenson, Secretary (MS), and those citizens listed on the attached sheet.

**Discussion Items:** WD opened the meeting by having those in attendance to introduce themselves.

1. Emily Shade from the DEP started the meeting by asking for more details on this joint sewage venture.
2. WD stated that this would be a joint venture from Route 519, Westland in Mt. Pleasant Twp. S.W. to Chartiers Twp.
3. Harlan Shober (HS), Chairman of the board for Chartiers Twp., stated that Range Resources / Mark West bought 195 acres across from Ullom Road / Route 519 in Chartiers Twp. and when they are done and there are aprox. 80+ employees there that they will need to have addressed sewage issues. HS also stated that Habitat for Humanity was looking a property in Chartiers Twp. to develop but they would need the sewage issues addressed as well. HS added that between the two townships and with help from range Resources now might be a good time to start a project and all parties would like to have the DEP's input and guidance.
4. Emily Shade (ES) from the DEP stated that MPT's Act 537 Plan is close to being completed and that maybe the department would be ok with approving South View separate from the plan. ES also said that she is not sure though that she can approve the Westland portion of the plan and incorporate Chartiers and Range Resources in it; she said that would take a separate plan.
5. Dave MacIntyre, the Engineer for the Municipal Authority explained everything the Municipal Authority has done in the past to try to get the Act 537 Plan approved. ES said she knows and due to the things that have transpired there are a few things that need re-done. Paul Battista, Chairman of the Municipal Authority. Added that the Township has tried to get Cecil Township to provide their Resolution that the DEP is requiring and they have yet to produce anything. ES said she is meeting with Cecil Twp. today and she will check on the status of the Resolution.
6. ES recommended getting everything done to get Mt. Pleasant Twp.'s Act 537 Plan approved and then they can do amendments to their plan for "this project".
7. HS said that they do not want to hinder MPT from getting their plan approved and asked how they should proceed with this new project. ES responded that she thought "we" were more along in this process but as a start she would recommend a small feasibility study. ES also stated to have a group funding meeting, to get a rating for Penn Vest money by showing local need.
8. ES added that in order to get MPT Act 537 Plan approved that the township must have a Sewage management Ordinance to address Alternate On-Lot Systems on how to control and enforce the maintenance agreements for these systems. ES stated that the Washington County Sewage Council would enforce it and that they should have a sample ordinance to use. She added that North Strabane Twp. adopted one that was approved by the DEP. Paul Battista asked if the township would see to it that this was accomplished.

There was back and forth discussion amongst all if the interested parties and it was determined that MPT was going to work on getting their Act 537 Plan approved. The MPT Municipal Authority (since Chartiers Twp. does not have one) will work on a feasibility study and Chartiers Twp. will work on Range Resources / Mark West and Habitat for Humanity since these are in Chartiers Twp. and see about pulling together a joint project. Another meeting will be scheduled at a later date to discuss what has or has not been accomplished.

**Adjournment:** WD motioned to adjourn the meeting at 11:00 a.m. and SM seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ann Stevenson, Secretary - Treasurer  
Mount Pleasant Township Board of Supervisors