

BEDFORD TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS

Tuesday, August 15, 2017

PUBLIC HEARING: Agricultural Security Area: Seven Year Review

A Public Hearing of the Bedford Township Agricultural Security Board and the Bedford Township Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday August 15, 2017 in the Bedford Township Municipal Building with the following members present:

Agricultural Security Board Members present: Roy Bence, Gregory Crist, Rick Koontz and Floyd Kegg
A quorum was present: Absent was Butch Mortimer.

Board of Supervisors Present: Gregory Crist, Dean Shuller, Rick Fetter, Secretary Janie L. McMillen, Assistant-Secretary Dorine Smith (Ag Security Coordinator)

Township resident's present: Bette Slayton and Karen Freeborn.

Meeting was called to order by past Chairman Crist at 6:00 pm.

Rick Koontz made the motion to appoint Roy Bence as the new acting Chairman, second by Floyd Kegg and carried.

Gregory Crist made the motion to appoint Rick Koontz as Secretary, second by Floyd Kegg and carried.

New Business:

The Agricultural Board members reviewed the current Roster of Names that are currently in the Agricultural area, there were modifications, removals and additions.

The floor was open to discussion and comments. The few that were here did ask questions on how this program protected their farms. Dorine Smith stated that it would give them special consideration pertaining to eminent domain issues, easements and condemnations and protection from the Nuisance Ordinance for noise from their farming operations.

The Township Ag Security Area was first established in 1983 when the Airport wanted to locate in Bedford Township.

The current parcels in the Ag Security Area were reviewed by the Ag Board and approved to be forward to the Supervisors for adoption, by Rick Koontz, second by Floyd Kegg and carried.

Once the Resolution 2017-05 is approved by the Supervisors the "AG Area" will be recorded at the Bedford County Court House and forwarded to the Bedford County Planning Commission and the Pennsylvania Secretary of Agriculture.

A copy will also remain in the Township office.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm by Chairman Bence

Respectfully Submitted,

Janie L. McMillen
Secretary/Treasurer