

December 14, 2011

**HEARING OF McKEAN TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS AND
GENERAL McLANE SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION**

CALL TO ORDER

A joint hearing of the Board of Supervisors and the General McLane School District Board of Education was called to order by Vice President James Bucksbee of the General McLane School District Board of Education at 5:30 p.m. as previously publicized in accordance with the Second Class Township Code and took place at the Therese T. Walter Education Center.

The purpose of the joint hearing was to consider the establishment of residential "LERTA" Districts in McKean Township including specific parcels as defined by McKean Township primarily zoned residential districts in which residential LERTA Districts there may be real estate tax exemption for new residential construction in deteriorated areas pursuant to the provisions of the Improvement of Deteriorating Real Property or Areas Tax Exemption Act.

ROLL CALL

Members present from McKean Township were Janice Dennis, Edward Hess, Kenneth Neuburger, and Tenderrlee Little-Assistant Secretary.

Members present from General McLane were James Bucksbee, Deb Howard Greenleaf-Treasurer, Carrie Crow, Annette Rilling, Timothy Wise Mona Buschak, Peter Dobrzynski, Gary Eiben, Richard Scaletta-Superintendent, Jeffrey Fox-Assistant Secretary/Business Manager, and Karen Katich-Secretary.

McKean Township presented the Board with copies of proposed Ordinance No. 1-12 and property maps of the township highlighting property to be included in the residential LERTA District. It was noted that there properties are all zoned residential with one or two public utilities being water and sewer. Mr. Otteni will be developing additional lots in the Georgetown Heights Subdivision in 2012 which would consist of approximately 34 new homes.

Ken Neuburger questioned the Board of Education as to why they were only considering three years. Mr. Sculetta stated that this was to avoid owners sitting and speculating. This would encourage them to move forward.

Mr. Bucksbee stated that with residential LERTA, it would save homeowners approximately \$4,000 to \$5,000 dollars in tax dollars. Mr. Dobrzynski asked if the township had plans to extend sewers. Ed Hess answered that we could extend down Edinboro Road and Bargain Road if the DEP were to give us grants. Ken Neuburger added that Countryside Mobile Home Park has deficiencies with their plant and possibly the DEP may mandate them to connect, but money is still an issue.

ADJOURNMENT

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With no objections, the hearing adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice T. Dennis, Secretary