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**PINE GROVE TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS**  
**175 OAK GROVE ROAD, PINE GROVE, PA 17963**  
**NOVEMBER 11, 2009 PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES**

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A public hearing was held at 6:32 PM on November 11, 2009 to hear public comments on the proposed Zoning Ordinance revisions.

Attending were Chairman Larry Zimmerman, Vice-Chairwoman Diane Tobin and Supervisor Allen Aungst. Supervisor Jerry Wise joined the hearing in progress at 6:45 PM and Supervisor Judith Lehman was absent. Also present was Township Solicitor Gino DiNicola, Township Zoning Officer/Engineer David Horst, Township Secretary/Treasurer Kathy Ferguson. Residents present for the hearing included Janet Krammes and Jeffery Zimmerman.

DiNicola noted the Zoning Ordinance public hearing was advertised and the proposed ordinances have been reviewed by the Planning Commission at a public meeting. DiNicola said the purpose of the meeting is to receive any questions or comments the public may have in respect to the proposed ordinances. DiNicola said the ordinances will be considered for adoption at the December 9<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Pine Grove Township Board of Supervisors.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- **Janet Krammes**, 168 Camp Road, said the problem she has with the ordinances is the burning, flood lights that shine on her property, motion sensor cameras and roaming guinea hens.

Horst said there are provisions in the revised ordinance relative to burning and outdoor wood furnaces. Horst said there is also more stringent language in the ordinance regarding pets.

DiNicola said Section 630 has language saying all animals must be confined to the owner's property or under their direct control. DiNicola discussed this section briefly with Krammes.

Horst discussed Section 651 regarding burning limitations and noted there is a section on illumination in the ordinances.

- **Mary Matuella's** email regarding unrestricted burning in the Township was read. Matuella said she is not opposed to burning in a burn barrel, but is opposed to smoldering fires and burning of leaves. DiNicola noted there are distance restrictions in the ordinance for burning, but it is not banned. A brief discussion followed on the burning ordinance. DiNicola said the Township has considered different burning ordinances over the years and the burning bans have always been voted down.

No further comments were received from the public, and DiNicola said the proposed ordinances would be advertised in the current form with the intention of the Board of Supervisors adopting them at their December meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT** – The public hearing was adjourned at 6:53 PM.

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Kathy Ferguson, Secretary / Treasurer**

**Approved by the Board of Supervisors on December 9, 2009.**