

PUBLIC HEARING
Of
THE CHARTIERS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
ON THE SBA TOWERS CONDITIONAL USE APPLICATION
May 10, 2016
4:09 p.m.

A. William Kiehl – Chairman called a recess during the regular meeting of the Chartiers Township Supervisors on Tuesday, May 10, 2016 to open the public meeting on the SBA Towers Conditional Use Application at 4:09 p.m.

ATTENDANCE:

Attending this hearing were Supervisors Glenn Alterio, John M. Marcischak and Mr. Kiehl. Also present were Jodi L. Noble-Township Manager; James Liekar-Solicitor; Daniel Slagle-Township Engineer; Ed Jeffries, Public Works Director; Robert Brozovich- Parks and Recreation Director; Samuel R. Stockton-Community Development Coordinator; James Horvath - Chief of Police; Jeffrey Simpson; Tim Loughran, SBA; David Farquar, SBA; Joshua Hoagland, Engineer and Bev Small-Recording Secretary.

STAFF COMMENT:

Township Manager, Mrs. Noble entered the following items into the hearing record:

- a. the application from SBA Towers for Conditional Use
- b. Chapter 350 of the Chartiers Township Code of Ordinances – Zoning
- c. Proof of Publication of this Hearing and the Chartiers Township Zoning Map into the record
- d. The recommendation of the Chartiers Township Planning Commission on the Conditional Use application as well as the Minutes from the Chartiers Township Planning Commission Meeting of April 19, 2016 to complete the record

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COMMENTS / QUESTIONS:

Chairman Kiehl asked if anyone present wished to speak on this at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mr. Tim Loughran representing SBA Towers introduced David Farquar of SBA Towers and Joshua Hoagland, of the Crossroads Group, the Engineer who did the design work as well as the storm water management plan. Mr. Loughran stated that SBA entered into a lease agreement to possibly put in a tower at 1084 Western Avenue. SBA met with the Planning Commission and responded to all the issues and comments. Those have been met along with the conditional use requirements and any questions on the proposed project are welcomed.

Mrs. Noble asked if SBA would be amenable to allow Emergency Management to put a communications antenna on your tower for the purpose of improved communication in the event of an emergency. With the Mark West Processing Plant and the Sunoco Tank Farm there this would greatly improve the ability to communicate in the event of an emergency.

The response from SBA from David Farquar, 105 Laughlin Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15205, was "Yes".

Jeffrey Simpson, representing the Chartiers Township Volunteer Fire Department expressed appreciation for SBA's willingness to provide space for a communications antenna on their tower to assist with improved communications for emergency response.

In response to Supervisor Kiehl's question of a proposed time frame, Mr. Loughran stated that SBA is in process of acquiring a carrier and marketing of prospective companies to commit to space for their antenna before SBA constructs the tower. The time frame is not definite but the intent is ASAP based on confirmation with a carrier.

There were no further comments or questions.

A motion was made by Mr. Alterio and seconded by Mr. Marcischak to close the public hearing.

All supervisors voted yes. The motion carried.

The Public Hearing closed at 4:15 p.m. and the Board reconvened the workshop meeting.