- 21) Would this expansion be able to happen in the proposed territory if the annexation did not happen.

  Ms. Thomas said it would be very difficult, we are known as Kendal At Oberlin. The facility tracks residents over 30 states and it is a very attractive area and is proud to be neighbors to New Russia Township, which has been important with good communication over years and the park reserve next to the facility. To be a whole facility in Oberlin with the services provided are very important to the residents.
- 22) Was New Russia Township approached with the plans before this petition was filed. Ms. Thomas said yes, Kendal At Oberlin was very upfront and try to keep the communication solid.
- 23) Did the Township indicate that this annexation should not be filed, because services could be provided. Ms. Thomas said discussions were held with the Township and Kendal At Oberlin valued the services provided by the City of Oberlin for their facility.
- 24) Did the Township indicate they could provide sewers to the area.

  Ms. Thomas said discussions were had relating to the sewers, but
  Kendal At Oberlin recognized and with previous conversations with
  the City of Oberlin that fire protection was also a critical need.
  Kendal At Oberlin did not feel they could receive the need
  successful from New Russia Township as they would the city.
- 25) Was there communication that the petition would be filed with the City prior to it being filed, Ms. Thomas said yes.

And:

Attorney Stephen Bond asked the following:

- When did the meetings take place with the Trustees of New Russia.

  Ms. Thomas said early part of October, late September 2007.

  Petition was filed August 30, so meeting to place afterwards. Ms.

  Thomas said yes, part of open communication and appreciation letter from the Township bring it forth to them. Attorney Bond said this letter also indicated the Trustees would not support this annexation. Ms. Thomas said Trustees were opened, but they would object by principal.
- Were the township trustees contacted prior. Ms. Thomas said no, she was learning what the process was and the time length occurred and they were the first to be made aware.
- How long has this construction been proposed for consideration.

  Ms. Thomas said the land has taken over 9 years to acquire and until this was secured of the purchaser agreement, the focus has been there. Attorney Bond when was the land secured. Ms. Thomas said the end of the year of 2006. Attorney Bond said the project has been in light since the first of the year. Ms. Thomas said everything is subject to Kendal At Oberlin Board. Attorney Bond said the first time the Trustees were contacted is after Kendal At Oberlin filed the petition, even after it came up in January. Ms. Thomas said all the preliminaries still need to be worked out and the conversations took place at the appropriate time.