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Press Release

The Court of Common Pleas of Pike County has issued a decision upholding Dingman Township's Zoning Ordinance regarding travel trailers at Lake Adventure and confirming the township's decision to increase the allowable size of units from 300 square feet to 400 square feet. Although the Court only stated that those people already owning units larger than 300 square feet were entitled to keep them, the Township permits all owners to have 400 square foot units at this time by virtue of a subsequent ordinance amendment. "The testimony at the Zoning hearing made it clear to us that 400 square foot units were manufactured at the time that the Lake Adventure subdivision was approved so, unlike park models, they were not a larger type of unit introduced after approval. In light of that fact, Dingman Township voluntarily increased the size to 400 square feet. The Court indicated that, if we had not, those campers who have larger units would be entitled to keep them on site. We just went further and stated that everyone should be able to have them. The Court did not state that park models were permitted although that was what LACA wanted. Therefore, the Township will continue to stand behind its ordinances to protect the people and the environment of the Township"

Furthermore, the Court did <u>not</u> issue a ruling stating that "park models" are permitted or that units 12 feet wide are permitted which is the basic demand of the Board at Lake Adventure. The Court did state that the ordinance was valid, constitutional and was not pre-empted by state or federal law, which ruling dismisses the basic principles behind LACA's positions in this matter.

Dingman Township Board of Supervisors July 20, 2012