

WEST HANOVER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
7171 ALLENTOWN BOULEVARD, HARRISBURG, PA 17112
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2009

CALL TO ORDER – 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Hartman called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Hartman announced there had been an Executive session at 6:00 PM to discuss legal and personnel issues.

ROLL CALL

Larry Hartman, Chairman
Linda Turns, Secretary/Treasurer
Deb Curcillo, Supervisor

Adam Klein, Vice-Chairman
Rick Mullen, Supervisor

PUBLIC COMMENT

Don Steinmeier, 11 N. Fairville Avenue- Mr. Steinmeier praised the August 22nd Township Community Day. He was pleased to see how the community came together and heard a lot of positive comments. Mr. Steinmeier also noted that there appears to be a lot of pools and decks being installed without permits and urged the Supervisors to consider budgeting for part time help for Codes Enforcement next year. Mr. Steinmeier expressed his concern with door to door solicitations. He understands that permits are issued from the Township but wondered if a Police background check was conducted. This is something that could be incorporated into the fee for the permit. Mr. Steinmeier also wondered who was responsible to cut the grass between the sidewalk and the road on Piketown Road. It appears that weeds are growing pretty high and are not being cut by the homeowners. Mr. Yost noted that it is generally the property owners responsibility to maintain.

Jay Megonnell-7440 Fishing Creek Valley Road- Mr. Megonnell expressed some concern regarding the proposed ordinance regarding false and nuisance alarms. Mr. Megonnell noted that his security system will sometimes go off when there is a lot of activity at the Gap and there isn't anyway he can control that.

PUBLIC HEARING/MEETINGS: NONE

Zoning Ordinance Amendment – Junkyards – See attached transcript.

Motion: Ms. Turns moved, seconded by Mr. Klein to approve Ordinance 2009-14 regulating junkyards and to have the Zoning Officer and Planning Commission consider incorporating County Comments #5 and #6 from their reported dated July 6, 2009. Motion passed unanimously.

Zoning Ordinance Amendment – Commercial Recreation – See attached transcript.

Motion: Ms. Turns moved, seconded by Mr. Mullen to approve Ordinance 2009-13 Commercial Recreation. Motion passed unanimously.

Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance Amendment – Pre Construction Conference. See attached transcript. *Motion: Ms. Turns moved, seconded by Mr. Klein to approve Ordinance 2009-16 Pre Construction Conference. Motion passed unanimously.*

#2009.01 Conditional Use 1196 Piketown Road. See attached transcript. *Motion: Ms. Turns moved, seconded by Mr. Mullen to approve conditional use request #2009.01 incorporating the Zoning Officers memo dated September 1, 2009. Motion passed unanimously.*

PRESENTATIONS, STAFF/BOARD REPORTS: NONE

Dixie Fesig – Park and Recreation Event Report – Ms. Fesig presented the Board with an update on recent programs as follows:

- Summer Rec Program (K- 6th grade) was held June 29th through July 31st. 65 children participated in the program held at Skyline Commons Park. We budgeted \$7,500.00 and spent \$4,141.58 Summer Recreation Counselors were budgeted \$10,000 and spent \$7,682.34. Income from the Summer Recreation Program was \$7,262.74. Total expenses \$4,561.18.
- Movie Night in the Park started Tuesday June 16th and ended August 18th. Attendance average was 205 per night. The sponsor this year was the Country Pride Restaurant and they purchased all the movies, totaling \$204.00, and they were given away at the end of each night. Getty Mart also donated two big coolers of ice for each movie night. Expenses for food concession was \$1,556.79, income was \$1,989.97. Excess revenue was \$433.18. This is the first year we actually made money on the movie program.
- Colton Clark from Boy Scout Troop 27 is in the process of completing his Eagle Scout Project, which consisted of designing and constructing the flower bed around the Township Marquee and power washing, re-grouting and painting the cinder block storage shed behind the Township Building.
- Community Festival was held on August 22nd. Approximately 1000 attended. There were 61 business sponsors, 67 vendors, 3 bands and 69 volunteers. Total expenses were \$11,185.37, considerably less than the budgeted amount of \$14,000. Total revenue was \$8,525.00, considerably greater than expectations. Ms. Fesig thanked all the Board members for participating in the event.
- Flu shots will be given, by the Visiting Nurse Association, on September 28th between 5:30 and 7:30 PM at the Recreation Center. Cost will be \$32.00 and they will submit to participating insurances.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular meeting – August 17 2009 -*Mrs. Curcillo moved, seconded by Ms. Turns to approve the regular meeting minutes of August 17, 2009. Motion passed 4-1 with Mr. Mullen abstaining*

TREASURER'S REPORT

Ms. Turns reported the following fund balances:

A. Fund Balances (Fund balances are presented for reference only.)

General Fund Balance as of September 4, 2009	\$481,598.46
Total Liquid Fuels Balance as of September 4, 2009	\$422,313.18
Total Capital Reserve Fund Balance as of September 4, 2009	\$1,978,751.64

B. Deposit Activity since August 18, 2009	\$111,388.22
Monthly Earned Income Tax Deposit, September 1, 2009	\$135,026.67

Ms. Turns reported the gross payroll of August 28, 2009, totaled \$32,296.98. *Mr. Mullen moved, seconded by Mr. Klein, to approve the payroll of August 28, 2009 in the amount of \$32,296.98 . Motion passed unanimously.* Ms. Turns reported the vouchers prepaid to meet due dates were \$2,329.72. *Mr. Mullen moved, seconded by Mr. Klein, to approve the vouchers prepaid to meet due dates in the amount of \$2,329.72. Motion passed unanimously.* Ms. Turns reported the total for the vouchers to be approved was \$79,832.06. *Mr. Klein moved, seconded by Mrs. Curcillo, to approve the vouchers in the amount of \$79,832.06. Motion passed unanimously.*

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORTS AND PLANS

ATV Regulations- A workshop meeting is to be scheduled in December.

SALDO Ordinance – Site Design Standards. *Mr. Mullen moved, seconded by Mr. Klein to forward Site Design Standards to the Dauphin County Planning Commission for review and comment and to set a public hearing date for December 7, 2009. Motion passed unanimously.*

OLD BUSINESS:

Motion – Supplemental Scope of Work, Municipal Park Ped Path Project.- Tabled at meetings on 07/06/09, 07/20/09, 8/3/09, 8/17/09, 9/8/09.

Motion – Sidewalks on Manor Dr. - Tabled at meetings on 07/06/09, 07/20/09, 8/3/09, 8/17/09, 9/8/09.

Motion – One Communications Telephone proposal. Tabled at meeting on 8/17/09. 9/8/09.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion – Consent Items: Conference Attendance Authorization, Section 607.4: Harold Arndt

Ms. Turns moved, seconded by Mr. Mullen to approve attendance for Harold Arndt at the PENNBOC Annual Conference, for a cost of \$329.00. Motion passed unanimously.

Improvement Guarantee Release: Sagewicke Annex

Ms. Turns moved, seconded by Mr. Mullen to approve improvement guarantee release #1 for Sagewicke Annex in the amount of \$195,145, leaving a balance of \$71,874.50. Motion passed unanimously.

Resolution 2009-53, Fire Police Authorization – Mr. Mullen moved, seconded by Ms. Turns to authorize the Fire Police to participate and be utilized in the Penn National 5K Run in Grantville on October 3, 2009 from 8 AM until 10 AM. Motion passed unanimously..

Resolution 2009-54, Accept Harper Drive ROW – Ms. Turns moved, seconded by Mr. Mullen to accept Resolution 2009-54, Accepting the Harper Drive Right-of-Way contingent upon satisfying comments from the Township Engineer and Township Solicitor. Motion passed unanimously.

Resolution 2009-55 – Accept Bradford Boulevard, Bradford Estates- Ms. England noted this is the section of Bradford Boulevard from Jonestown Road to the circle. *Ms. Turns moved, seconded by Mr. Mullen to adopt Resolution 2009-55 accepting a portion of Bradford Boulevard in Bradford Estates. Motion passed unanimously.*

Resolution 2009-56 Winter Traffic Services Agreement - Ms. England noted Resolution 2009-56 is being withdrawn since PennDOT now recognizes Piketown Road as a West Hanover Township Road, therefore the agreement for services is not needed.

Resolution 2009-57 PennDOT Reimbursement Agreement, Exit 77 – Mr. Mullen moved, seconded by Mr. Klein, to adopt Resolution 2009-57, increasing the reimbursement amount to \$333,572.92 for the utility relocation phase of the Federal Aid Highway Project referred to as the Exit 77 Project. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion – Sale of Elgin Street Sweeper – Ms. Turns moved, seconded by Mr. Mullen to accept the offer of \$500 from East Hanover Township for the Elgin Pelican Street Sweeper and proceed with the sale. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion – Temporary Township Engineer for Solar Farm Plan – Ms. Turns moved, seconded by Mr. Mullen to appoint Mellott Engineering as Temporary Township Engineer for the Dauphin County Solar Energy Project. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion – Rec Center Lease – Ms. England reported that on August 18, 2008 the Board approved renewing the five year lease for the Rec Center with the Pennsylvania Funeral Directors Association for rent payments starting at \$3,000 per month graduating to \$3,200 per month in the final years of the five year lease. In the Spring of 2009 the Board successfully negotiated with the Funeral Directors Association to reduce the rental payments to \$1,500 per month. Ms. Ryan, General Counsel for the PA Funeral Directors Association, has notified the Township that they have the opportunity to lease the space used by the Township to another tenant for the full rental rate. Ms. Ryan is requesting the rental fees revert back to the original lease agreement and the 90 day termination clause be stricken completely. Mr. Yost noted this item was discussed during the

executive session and he has directed the Board to reject the proposal. *Mr. Klein moved, seconded by Ms. Curcillo, to reject the proposed new five year lease agreement for the recreation center with the PA Funeral Directors Association and directed the Township Solicitor to draft the letter to Ms. Ryan informing her of the Townships decision. Motion passed unanimously.*

Ordinance 2009-17, False/Nuisance Alarms- There was some discussion regarding false alarms that occur from events that cannot be controlled, such as bombing activity at the Gap reported by Mr. Megonnell. Mr. Klein noted that the ordinance takes into account “alarm activations caused by earthquakes, severe weather, or power outages and are not considered false or nuisance alarms.” Mr. Klein suggested Mr. Megonnell report to the Township when such an event occurs so it can be placed on record for the fire company. *Ms. Turns moved, seconded by Mr. Klein, to adopt Ordinance 2009-17, False/Nuisance Alarms. Motion passed unanimously.*

Motion – Escrow Agreement to Guarantee Integrity and Functioning of Certain Improvements, Municipal Police Training Facility Maintenance Guarantee. *Mr. Mullen moved, seconded by Mr. Klein to execute the Escrow Agreement to Guarantee Integrity and Functioning of Certain Improvements provide by Nick Oyer for the balance of the term of the Maintenance Guarantee period expiring June 15, 2010, for the Municipal Police Training Facility Project. Motion passed unanimously.*

CORRESPONDENCE:

Item # 6 From: Dauphin County Library System- Ms. England called the Board’s attention to the letter from Dauphin County Library System requesting a donation toward a new library near the Hummelstown Square. The library has shown usage by West Hanover Township residents. After some minor discussion the Board decided to proceed through the budget process before committing to any contributions.

Item # 31 From: West Hanover Township Fire Company – Ms. England announced the Board of Supervisors have been invited to the Fire Company picnic on Sunday, September 20th.

OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY COME BEFORE THE BOARD:

Sign Truck Replacement – Ms. England noted that the existing sign truck used by public works is in bad shape and will not pass inspection. Mr. Harman has located a replacement truck through government surplus. Ms. England asked for authorization to purchase a new sign truck for no more than \$2,500.00. *Ms. Turns moved, seconded by Mr. Mullen to authorize the purchase of a replacement sign truck for public works for an amount not to exceed \$2,500.00. Motion passed unanimously.*

Culvert Cleanout Stofko Property/Getty Mart – Ms. England reported that Mr. Rehab started the clean out of the stormwater pipes located along Rt. 22 at the Getty Mart and Stofko properties. It was discovered that both pipes are either broken or collapsed and need to be replaced. This is a project that can be done by Township Public Works personnel and no permits are needed. Mr. Brulo is working on a recommendation for the size of the pipe and feels it can be completed within this years budget. Ms. England asked the Board to approve adding the project to this years project list. By consensus, the Board agreed to authorize the project under this years budget.

SUPERVISORS COMMENTS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jeff Holt, 7548 Lakeside Avenue - Mr. Holt expressed his concern regarding the recreation center lease. He is a member of the Park and Recreation Board and wondered how this will effect Park and Recreation projects. Mr. Yost said worst case – the Township will still has 90 days to use the building. Mr. Holt asked if he could review the current contract. Ms. England stated yes, it is a public document.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:05 PM