

WARRINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES FOR APRIL 26 2011

The regular meeting of the Warrington Township Board of Supervisors was held on April 26, 2011, 7:30 p.m., at the Township Building located at 852 Easton Road, Warrington, PA 18976, followed by the pledge of allegiance. The members present were as follows:

ATTENDANCE:

John Paul, Chairperson; Gerald Anderson, Vice Chairperson; Marianne Achenbach, Secretary; Michael W. Lamond, Jr., Assistant Secretary; and Paul Plotnick, Member. Staff Present were Timothy J. Tieperman, Township Manager; William R. Casey, Esq., Township Solicitor; Richard Wieland, P.E., Township Engineer; Fire Chief Michael J. Bean; Chief Thomas G. Mazzo, Warrington Community Ambulance Corps; and Barbara Livrone, Executive Assistant to the Township Manager.

EXECUTIVE SESSION REPORT

Mr. Casey reported that discussions were held on the following: 1) Lamplighter bankruptcy; 2) Folly Road Schoolhouse real estate negotiations; 3) Deer Valley zoning issues; 4) Swim Club concession stand bid; and 5) general personnel matters.

APPROVAL OF BILL LIST:

1. April 12, 2011 to April 26, 2011 - \$454,572.61

Mr. Anderson motioned, seconded by Mr. Plotnick, to approve the bill list from 4/12/11 to 4/26/11 totaling \$454,572.61. This motion passed by a roll call vote of 5-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

2. March 22, 2011

Mr. Anderson motioned, seconded by Mr. Plotnick, to table approval of the March 22, 2011 Meeting Minutes. The motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

MINUTES FOR POSTING:

3. April 12, 2011

Mr. Anderson motioned, seconded by Mr. Plotnick, to approve the posting of the April 12, 2011 Meeting Minutes. The motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

4. MANAGER'S REPORT:

Mr. Tieperman highlighted the following bulleted item in his report:

1. Consent Item: 2011-2012 Fuel Bid Award

Mr. Anderson motioned, seconded by Mrs. Achenbach, to table the 2011-2012 Fuel Bid Award until the May 10, 2011 meeting to all them the opportunity to review more thoroughly the consortium bid award. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Consent Item: Draft Contract for Concession Stand

Mr. Tieperman reported that sealed bids for the concession have been let through PennBid. The Solicitor has opined that the bidding requirements for this food service cannot be avoided by contracting through the Swim Team. A pre-bid walk-through has been scheduled for Tuesday, May 10, 2011.

5. ENGINEER'S REPORT:

a. King Park Lighting.

Mr. Wieland reported that the King Park lighting project is complete and that field usage is underway.

6. **SOLICITOR'S REPORT**:

a. Folly Road Schoolhouse located at 10 Folly Road.

Mr. Casey reported that Mr. Tieperman and he met recently with Mr. Gary Schlechter, the grandson of the original owner of the 10 Folly Road Schoolhouse. They discussed the possibility of the Township entering into a lease agreement with the Warrington Historical Society or a similar non-profit organization, both of which are permitted by the 2nd Class Township Code. Mr. Schlechter has since discussed the leasing option with his family. The family is currently not interested in pursuing a long-term lease arrangement, since theoretically the lease could be broken by a future Board of Supervisors for a variety of reasons. The family's preference would be to acquire the property back from the Township and to enter into a 99-year lease arrangement with the Warrington Historical Society.

Mr. Paul acknowledged that the property's open space designation complicates this proposed real estate transaction and that further research is required.

Mr. Anderson motioned, seconded by Mr. Lamond, to advertise a public hearing for Tuesday, June 14, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. The hearing's purpose will be to receive public comments and opinions from residents on the potential transfer of open space real estate to a non-profit entity. The feedback from this hearing will be used to guide the Supervisors in making an appropriate policy decision with respect to this matter. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS (ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS):

7. Receive monthly Reports from Warrington Fire Company and Warrington Ambulance Corps (February and March 2011).

Fire Chief Michael J. Bean reviewed his monthly report for the Warrington Fire Company for February and March 2011. He reported that two of his firefighters have returned to active duty after being out due to injuries incurred while fighting a fire at Victory Gardens. Work is underway on a 5-Year Long Range Plan, which once completed will be presented before the Board. The Company received a request from the Board of Elections to use Station 29 as a polling place. Fire Company Board was receptive with receptive with the stipulation that the polling place be for only one voting district and that a Certificate of Insurance be provided.

Chief Thomas Mazzo reviewed his monthly report for the Warrington Community Ambulance Corps for February and March 2011. He reported that construction of the new building is underway and that construction completion is expected by early July weather permitting.

8. <u>Review and consider adoption of an Ordinance to amend various Ordinances to implement the</u> Neshaminy Creek Stormwater Management Plan.

Mr. Wieland reported that Act 167 is a State law that now requires Pennsylvania counties to enact a Stormwater Management Plan Ordinance. He said Bucks County's plan was reviewed and approved by the PA Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) in late 2010. The law requires that each of the municipalities within the watershed adopt the necessary ordinances to comply with the County's plan within six (6) months. Mr. Wieland stated that the proposed ordinance incorporates all the mandatory elements to implement the Neshaminy Creek Stormwater Management Plan.

Mr. Anderson motioned, seconded by Mr. Plotnick, that the Board adopt the Ordinance to to implement the Neshaminy Creek Stormwater Management Plan. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Bob Showalter provided some comment on the new ordinance and inquired whether this is classified as a standalone ordinance or whether it was part of the Township's SALDO regulations. Mr. Wieland responded that the Ordinance is separate from the Township's land development ordinances. Mr. Showalter expressed his concern over the excessive costs that this new stormwater requirement will place on the small homeowner.

9. <u>Review and consider adoption of the Warrington Township Neshaminy Creek Watershed Act</u> 167 Stormwater Management Ordinance.

Mr. Anderson motioned, seconded by Mr. Plotnick, to adopt the Warrington Township Neshaminy Creek Watershed Act 167 Stormwater Management Ordinance. The motion passed unanimously.

10. Review and consider adoption of a Resolution denying dedication of public improvements for the Deer Valley subdivision.

Mr. Anderson motioned, seconded by Mr. Lamond to adopt the Resolution denying dedication of public improvements for the Deer Valley subdivision. The motion passed unanimously.

11. <u>Consider adoption of an amendment to the Stop Sign Ordinance to include Neshaminy and Walnut Avenues.</u>

Mr. Plotnick motioned, seconded by Mr. Lamond, to adopt the amendment to the Stop Sign Ordinance to include Neshaminy and Walnut Avenues. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Brian Keilman of 786 Neshaminy Avenue offered opposing comments on this ordinance. He believes that there are still legitimate safety issues that are not being addressed. After some discussion, the Board unanimously agreed, at Chairman Paul's suggestion, to monitor this intersection and revisit this issue within the next two months to determine whether additional action is warranted.

SUPERVISORS' COMMENTS

<u>Victory Gardens, Inc. Mulch Operation – Garges Farm.</u>

Mr. Anderson asked if there had been any feedback from Victory Gardens Mulch Operation—Garges Farm curtailing the hours of their operations and have the police monitored the operation. Mr. Tieperman reported that the Police Department has been requested to monitor compliance with the new hours of operations. He asked Mr. Tieperman that the Board be kept abreast of any future developments associated with this operation.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Anderson motioned, seconded by Mr. Lamond, to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Edited and Reviewed By:

Timothy J. Tieperman, Township Manager