West Caln Township

Minutes Wednesday, August 9, 2017

Board of Supervisors

Public Meeting



A regular monthly meeting of the West Caln Township Board of Supervisors was held on Wednesday, August 9, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. in the Township Municipal Building.

Present were:

Chairman PfitzenmeyerSolicitor VenzieRoad Foreman TouchtonSupervisor MartzTreasurer Barsz13 Township ResidentsSupervisor MartinChief Martinez2 Other Township Employees

Manager Siedenbuehl Assistant Manager Castor 2 Guest Presenters

Supervisor Pfitzenmeyer opened the meeting at 7:01 PM and led in the salute to the flag.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Presentation on the Blosenski Landfill site

Gina Soscia and David Greaves
U.S. EPA, Region 3 Superfund Community Involvement and Outreach Branch

HEARING FOR THE FLOODPLAIN ORDINANCE

- 1. Solicitor Venzie opened the hearing with an explanation of the FEMA Floodplain Ordinance and the updated FEMA floodplain map. She stated that FEMA dictates the Floodplain Map, and that the changes benefit the Township and the residents.
- 2. Solicitor Venzie entered into record the exhibits associated with the Floodplain Ordinance.
- 3. Solicitor Venzie opened the hearing to questions from the Board of Supervisors.
 - a. BOS had no questions
- 4. Solicitor Venzie opened the hearing to questions from the public.
 - a. Alex Shurak, of 220 Cambridge Road, asked what effect, if any, the Ordinance would have on residents in the future. Solicitor Venzie responded that no negative effect or hardship should be felt by the residents of West Caln Township.
- 5. With no additional questions or comments regarding the FEMA Floodplain Ordinance, moved to close the hearing.

Motion: Chairman Pfitzenmeyer Second: Supervisor Martz Vote: 3-0-0

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An executive session was held on Wednesday, August 9, 2017 for legal and personnel reasons.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

- a. George DeHaven, of 534 Old Wilmington Road, expressed concerns over the speed of the traffic on Old Wilmington Road. Chief Martinez responded that the police do monitor the speed on that road and are doing what they can to enforce the limits.
- b. Alex Shurak, of 220 Cambridge Road, inquired if the Board of Supervisors has given any consideration to his suggestion of implementing a fee or tax on rental properties in the

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Township. Chairman Pfitzenmeyer indicated that the township cannot implement a tax. Solicitor Venzie stated that other townships do have a fee the charge rental property owners, but that she is not familiar of the specifics of those fees. Mr. Shurak stated that the fee could be a source of revenue for the township. General discussion followed. The BOS did not indicate that they would pursue the idea further.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The Board of Supervisors approves the minutes for the July 12, 2017 Board of Supervisors meeting.

Motion: Supervisor Martin Second: Supervisor Martz Vote: 3-0-0

MANAGER'S REPORT

The Board of Supervisors accepts the Township Manager's Report as presented.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Board of Supervisors approves the Treasurer's Report as presented.

Motion: Supervisor Martz Second: Supervisor Martin Vote: 3-0-0

- a. Bank Balance as of July 31, 2017: \$1,572,298.13
- b. Treasurer Barsz announced the recent merger his firm with a firm from Chadds Ford, changing the firm's name to Barsz Gowie Amon & Fultz LLC. All services to West Caln Township will remain unchanged.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

No Report

POLICE REPORT

The Board of Supervisors accepts the Police Report as presented.

ROAD DEPARTMENT REPORT

The Board of Supervisors accepts the Road Dept. Report as presented.

WAGONTOWN FIRE COMPANY

The Board of Supervisors accepts the Wagontown Fire Company Report as presented.

- a. Total Calls: 25 West Caln Township Calls: 15
- b. Reported to the BOS an update on the Tanker Truck purchase

FIRE MARSHAL REPORT

The Board of Supervisors accepts the Fire Marshal Report as presented.

a. Permits Issued: July - 8 / To Date - 203 Complaints: 2

WESTWOOD FIRE COMPANY - EMS SERVICE

The Board of Supervisors accepts the Westwood Fire Company – EMS Service Report as presented.

Total Calls: 127 West Caln Township Calls: 50

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PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION REPORT

The Board of Supervisors accepts the Parks & Recreation Report as presented.

a. Announcement of the Layton Park Yard Sale on September 9, rain or shine.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

No Report

HISTORICAL COMMISSION REPORT

No Report

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

a. The Board of Supervisors approves the West Caln Township Ordinance No. 2017-1 as drafted.

Motion: Chairman Pfitzenmeyer Second: Supervisor Martz Vote: 3-0-0

b. Resolution for Plan Revision for New Land Development, pertaining to the Griffin Planning Module for 398 Martin's Corner Road.

The Board of Supervisors hereby adopts and submits to DEP for its approval as a revision to the "Official Sewage Facilities Plan" of the municipality the above referenced Sewage Facilities Planning Module.

Motion: Supervisor Martz Second: Supervisor Martin Vote: 3-0-0

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business at hand, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm

Motion: Supervisor Martin Second: Chairman Pfitzenmeyer Vote: 3-0-0

Respectfully Submitted,

Jill Castor

Assistant Secretary

Approved: 9/13/2017