


West Caln Township Board of Supervisors	Minutes Wednesday, March 14, 2018 Public Meeting	
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A regular monthly meeting of the West Caln Township Board of Supervisors was held on Wednesday, March 14, 2018 at 7:00 PM in the Township Municipal Building.

Present were:

Chairman Martz	Township Manager Siedenbuehl	Road Foreman Touchton
Supervisor Martin	Police Chief Martinez	3 Other Employees
Supervisor Hutton	Treasurer Gattuso	15 Township Residents
Solicitor Venzie	Assistant Manager Castor	

Chairman Martz opened the meeting at 7:00 PM and lead in the salute to the flag.

1. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS


- a. Roland Lesly of 101 Old Wilmington Road
 - 1) Asked what notification was given regarding the cancelled Board of Supervisors meeting scheduled for February 28, 2018. Manager Siedenbuehl responded that it was announced at the February 14 meeting and was posted on our webpage and on the township building door.
 - 2) Asked about the truck traffic on Old Wilmington road and what was being done to reduce it. Chief Martinez indicated that since that is a state road, this is a PennDOT issue and that he will contact them regarding the issue.
 - 3) Asked about the site lines at township intersections and whether those are being actively enforced. A general conversation followed regarding the troublesome areas, the process in the past to enforce, and the plan of enforcement for this spring.
 - 4) Questioned the process of receiving bids and accepting a bid for a grader for the Roads Department. An explanation of the process was provided by the Supervisors.
- b. Gary Shesko of 149 Oak Lane
 - 1) Added to Mr. Leslie's comment regarding line of site issue that his feeling is that if the resident does not take care of the issue then the Township and/or PennDOT has the legal right to do so.
 - 2) Praised the Road Crew for their good job of snow and ice removal/treatment this winter.
 - 3) Voiced complaints regarding Township employees and elected officials commenting on social media about Coatesville Teacher's Union negotiations.
- c. Claire Pyle of 191 Sugarman Road commented that the Township needs to find a way to let residents know what is going on in the township.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The Board of Supervisors approves the minutes for the February 14, 2018 Board of Supervisors meeting.

Motion to Approve: Supervisor Martin Second: Supervisor Hutton Vote: 3-0-0

Motion Passed

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3. MANAGER'S REPORT

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

4. TREASURER'S REPORT

a. Chairman Martz asked if the bank responded to our inquiry regarding waiving the fee for an account protection program. Manager Siedenbuehl responded that they have not responded.

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

Motion to Approve: Supervisor Martin Second: Supervisor Hutton Vote: 3-0-0

Motion Passed

5. SOLICITOR'S REPORT

a. Solicitor Venzie presented the Fire Insurance Escrow Ordinance to the Board of Supervisors, explaining the purpose of the Ordinance and the steps required to adopt the Ordinance. The Board of Supervisors approved moving forward with the process to adopt the Fire Insurance Escrow Ordinance.

Motion to Approve: Chairman Martz Second: Supervisor Hutton Vote: 3-0-0

Motion Passed

6. POLICE REPORT

The Board of Supervisors accepts the Police Report as presented.

7. ROAD DEPARTMENT REPORT

a. Chairman Martz thanked the Roads crew for their good work this winter.
b. Chairman Martz asked Allen Touchton to check the mulch around the township building to be sure the mulch is not touching the siding.

The Board of Supervisors accepts the Roads Department Report as presented.

8. FIRE MARSHAL REPORT

Permits Issued: February 2018: 21 Year to Date: 80 Burn Complaints: 3

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

9. WAGONTOWN FIRE COMPANY

a. Their annual flower sale will take place March 30 & 31, 2018
b. Chipper Patton extended his thanks to all who helped make their first Amish Wedding Supper fund raiser a success.

Total Calls: 23 West Caln Township Calls: 13

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

10. WESTWOOD FIRE COMPANY – EMS SERVICE

- a. The representative from Westwood Ambulance gave an informative presentation about the current Opioid crisis and its impact on emergency services, expenses, and billing. Anyone interested in more information is invited to contact the Westwood Fire Company.

Total Calls: 139 West Caln Township Calls: 53

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

11. PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION REPORT

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

12. HISTORICAL COMMISSION REPORT

- a. The Commission expressed concern for the construction occurring at 599 Wagontown Road, as the structure was a school house dating back to the 1800s.
- b. They are in search of a new person to fill the 7th seat on the Historical Commission. Interested individuals may see Barbara Goodman at the Township office.

13. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Separation of Tax Parcel 28-5-72 and 28-6-2.1 - 336/338-342 Martins Corner Road

The property owner is seeking to separate these two parcels that currently reside on one deed onto two separate deeds for mortgage purposes. The Board of Supervisors has no objections; provided that the property owner reunites the parcels if the property is put up for sale.

The Board of Supervisors approves the Separation of Tax Parcel 28-5-72 and 28-6-2.1 as requested, with specific language to be included in the solicitor's response to the property owner regarding the unification of the parcels if they are ever sold.

Motion to Approve: Chairman Martz Second: Supervisor Martin Vote: 3-0-0

Motion Passed

- b. West Caln Township Supervisors Compensation Ordinance of 2018


- 1) Solicitor Venzie opened a Hearing to consider Ordinance 2018-01
- 2) Solicitor Venzie presented the Ordinance, supporting exhibits, and a description of the intent of the Ordinance.

The Board of Supervisors approves the West Caln Township Supervisors Compensation Ordinance of 2018.

Motion to Approve: Chairman Martz Second: Supervisor Hutton Vote: 3-0-0

Motion Passed

- 3) Hearing closed

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- c. Holding Tank Request for a temporary Mobile Home at 201 Skiles Road Tax Parcel 28-7-28
The Board of Supervisors approves the Holding Tank Request for a temporary Mobile Home at 201 Skiles Road Tax Parcel 28-7-28, providing the property owner complies with all Zoning Ordinance and Ordinance 2008-1 (Holding Tank Ordinance) requirements, and enters into a written agreement with the Township regarding the intended use and maintenance of the holding tanks.

Motion to Approve: Chairman Martz Second: Supervisor Martin Vote: 3-0-0
Motion Passed

- d. Contract with Reilly Sweeping Inc. to perform the road clean up
The Board of Supervisors approves the agreement with Reilly Sweeping Inc. for the yearly road clean up.

Motion to Approve: Chairman Martz Second: Supervisor Martin Vote: 3-0-0
Motion Passed

- e. Collective Bargaining Agreement between The West Caln Police Association and West Caln Township
The Board of Supervisors approves the Bargaining Agreement between The West Caln Police Association and West Caln Township.

Motion to Approve: Supervisor Martin Second: Supervisor Hutton Vote: 3-0-0
Motion Passed

14. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- a. Chairman Martz announced that the Board of Supervisors of West Caln Township has filed a lawsuit against the Keystone Fire Company to reclaim Township assets.

15. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business at hand, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Motion to Approve: Supervisor Martin Second: Supervisor Hutton Vote: 3-0-0
Motion Passed

Respectfully Submitted,

Jill Castor
Assistant Secretary

Approved: April 11, 2018