Wednesday, April 12, 2023 Minutes

Board of Supervisors

Public Meeting



A regular monthly meeting of the West Caln Township Board of Supervisors was held on Wednesday, April 12, 2023, at 7:00 PM at the West Caln Township Building.

Present were:

Supervisor Martz Supervisor Hutton Manager Siedenbuehl
Supervisor Martin Solicitor Venzie Road Foreman Horblinski

Supervisor Martz commenced the Meeting at 7:00 PM.

1. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

2. ADDITIONS, DELETIONS OR MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA

Carnegie Hero Fund Award presentation moved to another location and date due to scheduling conflict for Carnegie.

3. EXECUTIVE SESSION

An executive session was held on Wednesday, April 12, 2023 for legal and personnel reasons.

4. PUBLIC HEARING

The regular meeting was closed, and a public hearing was opened at 7:03pm. The continuation of a hearing, held on March 8, 2023, to consider and possibly enact an Ordinance which will approve, adopt, and enact an ordinance codification for West Caln Township.

Solicitor Venzie provided the following:

Exhibit B1 – Proof of Publication for the proposed ordinance

Exhibit B2 – Email copy of Notice to the Daily Local News

Exhibit B3 – Letter and Act 247 Referral form to Chester County Planning Commission

Exhibit B4 – Recommendation form Chester County Planning Commission

Some discussion among the Board took place. No public comment was received. The hearing was closed, and the regular meeting resumed at 7:06pm.

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

Motion Passed

5. RESIDENT'S COMMENTS

Gary Becknell - 1537 Birdell Road- Inquired when area 3 would receive notification for the township sewer management plan. Mr. Becknell was advised that he could continue to pump his system regularly at a minimum of every 3 years and to provide the township with a receipt for pumping.

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Mr. Becknell also provided Solicitor Venzie with a copy of the deed which grants right of way access to the property located at 106 Martins Corner Road. Solicitor Venize announced that township is now in possession of 106 Martins Corner Road.

6. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

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

Motion Passed

7. MANAGER'S REPORT

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

8. TREASURER'S REPORT

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

Motion Passed

9. SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Continued work with the codes officer on on-going enforcement issues within the township, with some being currently handled in court.

10. POLICE REPORT

The Board of Supervisors accepted the Police Report as presented.

11. ROAD DEPARTMENT REPORT

The Board of Supervisors accepted the Roads Report as presented.

12. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR REPORT

The Board of Supervisors accepted the Emergency Management Report as presented.

13. FIRE MARSHALL REPORT

None

14. WAGONTOWN FIRE COMPANY

The Board of Supervisors accepted the Roads Report as presented.

15. WESTWOOD EMS SERVICE

The Board of Supervisors accepted the EMS Report as presented.

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16. HISTORICAL COMMISSION REPORT

The Board of Supervisors accepted the Roads Report as presented.

17. OLD BUSINESS

None

18. NEW BUSINESS

a. Motion to approve a bonus payment to the Wagon town Fire Company Volunteers for their service. The first 20 Volunteers who provided the most hours should be awarded as follows:

The first 10 Volunteers will receive a check in the amount of \$500 and the ranks 11 to 20 \$250.

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

b. Motion to exonerate uncollectable Real Estate Property Tax Liens as presented and requested by the County of Chester Tax Claim Bureau. (Enclosure)
 Motion to Approve: Supervisor Martin Second: Supervisor Hutton Vote: 3-0-0
 Motion Passed

Motion to approve the 2023 Road Project. (Enclosure)
 Motion to Approve: Supervisor Martin Second: Supervisor Hutton Vote: 3-0-0
 Motion Passed

d. Resolution #2023-08 approving the planning module for Ivan Zook at 115 Lakewood Drive (Enclosure)

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

19. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

a. Zoning Hearing Board application has been received for 1481 Birdell Road - seeking a variance from Section 702.B.5 of the Zoning Ordinance to allow an already constructed garage (without permits) to remain in the current location within the required side-yard setback.

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The Board of Supervisors requested the attendance of Solictor Venzie at the Zoning Hearing Board for 1481 Birdell Road.

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

- b. Zoning Hearing Board application has been received for 298 Reid Road seeking a variance from Section 1212 of the zoning ordinance to allow for the keeping of a horse on a 1.3–acre parcel.
- c. Subdivision/Land Development application has been received for 1010 Lafayette Road. Application proposes to subdivide one lot of approximately 1.4 acres from a 12.7-acre parcel.

20. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business at hand, the meeting was adjourned at 7:43p.m.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas Siedenbuehl Secretary Approved May 10th, 2023