

**WALLACE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
JUNE 21, 2012**

REGULAR MEETING

Chairman Jones called the Regular Meeting of the Wallace Township Board of Supervisors to order on Thursday, June 21, 2012, at 8:00 AM in the Township Building.

Supervisors present: Robert D. Jones
Barbara D'Angelo

Engineer: Craig Kologie, Castle Valley Consultants

Solicitor: Michael G. Crotty, Esquire

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

None.

OLD BUSINESS

- a. Glenmoore Fire Company Fire Truck: Scott Welker of the Glenmoore Fire Company was present to discuss funding associated with GMFC's fire truck purchase. A variety of financial sources have been considered, including the \$50,000 capital improvement set-aside from Wallace Township, a \$150,000 loan from PEMA and a \$160,000 loan for the balance of the purchase price. As has been previously discussed, the Township Board of Supervisors noted their willingness to provide a portion of their future contributions early in an effort to assist the GMFC (with the Township's customary donation to be remitted over the next four years less the advance contribution amount). As a caveat to doing so, the Supervisors noted that any contribution monies (either the \$160,000 advanced contribution or the \$50,000 capital improvement set-aside) must be returned if the GMFC proceeded forward with any merger. The Supervisors noted their opposition to any merger potential. Mr. Welker indicated that such an arrangement was acceptable and that the GMFC would not consider merging without the full support of the Township.

After discussion, Chairman Jones moved that the Township remit an advanced contribution in the amount of \$160,000 to the GMFC toward the purchase of the new fire truck, with such advance contribution to be equally apportioned over the next four (4) years (\$40,000 per year) and with the condition that all such funds be remitted to the Township in the event of a merger by the GMFC during the four (4) year period. Supervisor D'Angelo seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. Next, Chairman Jones moved that the Township remit \$50,000 of the GMFC capital improvement contribution toward the purchase of the fire truck, again being subject to the condition that such funds be returned in full in the event that the GMFC merges (at any point). Supervisor D'Angelo seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. In further discussion, it was noted by the Supervisors that their intent is

to continue to set aside \$20,000 per year in a Township account to earmark as a future GMFC capital improvement contribution (being subject to the discretion of future boards to adjust).

- b. Township Building – Roof: Additional leakage from the portion of the roof over the large meeting room has recently occurred and required emergency repair. A discussion was held as to the overall need for roof repairs on the Township building. The quotes previously received were again reviewed. After discussion, Chairman Jones moved that the Township award and approve the bid of King Family Roofing in the amount of \$14,900 (which includes any charges related to the emergency repair *gratis*). Supervisor D'Angelo seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Invoices: The Township Treasurer/Secretary presented four (4) invoices for the Township to approve. The list of invoices is available at the Township building. Discussion was held as to the Markealli matter (for which the applicant withdrew her conditional use application and is being reimbursed for the filing fee). Supervisor D'Angelo noted that, in addition to any zoning issues, the applicant is currently only paying for one (1) EDU for the purported three (3) units. This issue must be addressed by the landowner with the Authority. After discussion, Chairman Jones moved that the Township approve the list of four (4) invoices in the amount of \$13,777.17. Supervisor D'Angelo seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.
- b. Comprehensive Plan – Survey: The Township Engineer noted that the draft of the Comprehensive Plan Study Survey has been completed and is ready for review by the Supervisors. The Supervisors indicated that they would provide any further/final comments in short order. The Survey will be advertised as available on the Township Newsletter, and will be primarily available as an online survey. Hard copies of the survey will also be available at the Township building for those residents who do not have internet access.
- c. Fairview Presbyterian Church Conditional Use Application: Chairman Jones noted that the Township recently received a Conditional Use application from Fairview Church in which it seeks to incorporate an educational use on the property during the week. While the letter accompanying the application is dated May 16, 2012, the application form/packet was not received by the Township until June 11, 2012. Even at that point, the application was administratively incomplete because it lacked the requisite filing fee. The filing fee was just received yesterday, June 20, 2012. After discussion, Chairman Jones moved that the Township schedule the conditional use hearing of Fairview Presbyterian Church for August 2, 2012, at 6:30 PM. Supervisor D'Angelo seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Public Comment

- a. Merritt Private Driveway: Craig Merritt of 491 Highspire Road appeared to discuss his shared driveway access onto Highspire Road. The shared driveway was installed pursuant to a subdivision plan, which contains Notes that explicitly provide that costs for maintenance be borne equally by the landowners. Mr. Merritt stated that he has had an ongoing issue with nonpayment by his neighbor. A number of issues were discussed, including the shared driveway maintenance covenant set out on the plans and any zoning/subdivision relief necessary to install a second driveway or to amend the subdivision plans.

Adjournment

There being no further business presented before the Board of Supervisors, the meeting was adjourned at 10:03 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty Randzin
Township Secretary/Treasurer