

**WALLACE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
**September 2, 2016**

The Special Meeting of the Wallace Township Board of Supervisors was called to order on Thursday, September 2, 2016 at 6:35 PM in the Township Building by Chairman William Moore.

Supervisors present:           Barbara Z. D'Angelo | Robert D. Jones | William T. Moore

Engineer/Zoning Officer:    Craig Kologie, Castle Valley Consultants

Solicitor:                       Michael G. Crotty, Esquire

**CELL TOWER DISCUSSION**

Chairman Moore noted that the purpose of the meeting was to have discussion and solicit resident feedback as to the potential for a cell tower to be located on the Township building property. It was noted that the Board has reached no decision and is considering the full range of options for a cell tower, including whether to pursue it altogether. A presentation was made on the general proposal, sketch plans, coverage areas and renderings. The initial tower location proposed by the outside consultant was moved farther inward on the Township property, in order to better buffer it from the immediately adjacent neighbor (based on his feedback). The proposed tower would be unlit, not greater than 150 feet in height, and the Township would incorporate provisions into any tower agreement to ensure that it maintained control over the aesthetic impact. The present effort would provide the Township with the greatest control over location, placement and other aspects of the tower, while addressing the Township's effort to ensure that cell coverage is extended to several "dead" coverage areas in the Township for public safety purposes. Several residents echoed the desire for better cell coverage and safety for the residents. Resident John Rorke commented as to his desire for the large hickory tree in the vicinity of the proposed site area to be preserved. Comments and questions were raised as to potential noise from emergency generators, the appearance and configuration of the tower, and, as most noted, the residents' desire for better cell coverage for the maximum number of carriers. The residents in attendance expressed no negative preference of the full-array antenna arrangement (in comparison to an off-set antenna configuration). Resident John Miller noted that the site would be ideal for Township control and is best suited in the proposed site due to the elevated topography. Another resident, Garrett Hooper, noted that the availability of cell coverage is essential to his employment. At the conclusion of the discussion, the Board noted that it would continue its consideration and would pursue the matter further at its October evening meeting.

The Special Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m. At the conclusion of the Special Meeting and after a brief break, the Regular Meeting of the Wallace Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by Chairman Moore.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Supervisors began the meeting by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSIONS**

Chairman Moore announced that an executive session was held immediately prior to the Regular Meeting in order to discuss a personnel matter.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

None.

## **MINUTES**

The minutes for the August 4, 2016 meeting were presented for consideration. After discussion, Supervisor D'Angelo moved that the minutes be approved as presented. Supervisor Jones seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Manager/Treasurer Randzin presented the Treasurer's report. Twelve (12) invoices were presented, together with the August PLGIT payment for ratification. After discussion, Supervisor D'Angelo moved that the Township approve the twelve (12) invoices on the bills list in the amount of \$40,902.45. Supervisor Jones seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. Next, Supervisor D'Angelo moved that the Township approve and ratify the August PLGIT payment in the amount of \$14,984.78. Supervisor Jones seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

## **POLICE REPORT**

Lieutenant Kimes from the West Brandywine Township Police Department provided its report. It conducted traffic patrols for 88 hours in August, with 2 hours of court time. It also issued 33 traffic citations. It was noted that patrols of the school zones has recommenced with the start of school. The Department is focusing on warning and education of motorists for the first week of school. Discussion also took place about the budgeting for 2017, and the Board's expectation that the level/hours of service requested by the Township in 2017 would not decrease. The Board also discussed the potential for longer, more regularly scheduled shifts to provide for consistency in planning and coordinating with the PSP. John Miller commented as to traffic enforcement in the Village. Resident Bill Strock commented that he appreciates the coverage by the Department. The Board thanked Lt. Kimes for his Department's continued efforts in addressing the speeding issues in the Township.

Next, Supervisor Jones noted that the PSP submitted its written report by email, which is available for review at the Township building. In total, the PSP responded to 34 incidents for the month of August. No major incidents were noted.

## **EMC**

No report.

## **DARC**

No report.

## **GLEN MOORE FIRE COMPANY/ WESTWOOD & ELVERSON AMBULANCE**

Manager/Treasurer Randzin noted that the GMFC submitted its report, but was not in attendance. It responded to twenty-four (24) calls in August, with ten (10) in the Township. The GMFC averaged 5.2 people per call. Next, Joe Carmen provided the report of Elverson/Honey Brook. It responded to nine (9) calls in the Township in August, with an average response time of 11.1 minutes. Joe Kennedy provided the report of Westwood Ambulance. It responded to 19 calls in the Township in August, with an average response time of 14.79 minutes. No report was provided by the Uwchlan Ambulance Corps.

## **PARK AND RECREATION BOARD**

No report, although it was noted that Movie Night with Zootopia was very well attended and a fun event. The Board is now planning for the Halloween festivities. The Board thanked the Manager/Treasurer Randzin and the Park and Rec Board for their work in managing the event.

## **HISTORICAL COMMISSION/TOWNSHIP ARCHIVIST**

John Miller provided the report of the Historical Commission. It finalized its draft of the revisions to Article X. In his role as Archivist, Mr. Miller noted that Sandy Brennan remains hard at work. A date has been set to set up the computers, scanners and other equipment for the electronic archiving project.

## **TRAILS PRESERVATION BOARD**

No report. Chairman Moore raised the Brandywine Conservancy's letter/request for trail planning services. The Board noted its long-standing efforts to promote appropriate trail connections. While the first page of the Brandywine Conservancy proposal encompasses the tasks with which the Township would utilize the Conservancy, the remainder of its letter went beyond the previously discussed scope. The Board does not want the trail mapping to be construed as approval to canvas residents door-to-door or to otherwise hold resident meetings without Board participation, guidance and input. Such efforts would be undertaken by the Board if any trail project were to be further considered. The Board noted its concern of the group giving the impression to residents that the Township would dictate or compel trail openings through private property. Solicitor Crotty was requested to work with Manager/Treasurer Randzin to provide a response.

## **EAC**

No report.

## **AUTHORITY**

Supervisor D'Angelo noted that a tour of the Authority's sewer plants is scheduled for October 11<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m.

## **PLANNING COMMISSION**

Chairman Moore noted that the Planning Commission held a meeting on August 10<sup>th</sup>, at which it discussed the Zoning Ordinance codification. Rouse Chamberlin also made a presentation of its sketch plan for the Schneider property (proposing an aggregate of approximately 23 homes, accessed through the Highspire Estates development). Sewer capacity for the project was discussed by the PC as a potential issue for further review.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Popjoy/Marsh Lea Subdivision: Township Engineer Craig Kologie noted that the Township received a revised preliminary plan subdivision application for the Marsh Lea subdivision. The number of lots in the Township was reduced from 7 to 6 (with 21 other residential lots to be located in Upper Uwchlan Township). Road access will be through Upper Uwchlan Township, and on-lot septic and sewer will be provided.
- b. Brandywine Hunt Club: Not present.
- c. 2016-2017 Deer Hunting: Manager/Treasurer Randzin presented the list of six (6) new hunting permit requests for the Township Community Park that have been submitted. After discussion, Supervisor D'Angelo moved that the Township approve the six (6) additional permit applications, subject to the applicants complying with the Township's rules and regulations for the same. Supervisor Jones seconded the same, which carried unanimously. With the six (6) new applications, a total of twelve (12) hunters have been approved.
- d. Municibid: Road Foreman Steve Senn provided a report and summary of the results of the municibid items listed for sale: a tar buggy (\$1,983.00 to Eduardo Iocci); a salt spreader spinner (\$25.00 to Michael Stoner); a case front tire and wheel (\$130.00 to Michael Stoner); a lift cylinder and bracket (\$100.00); a diamond plow pump and brackets (\$312.50 to Michael Stoner); a Case 580k service manual (\$21.00 to Chris Stoodley); a 8.5' diamond plow (\$402.00 to Kyzerbuilt); a Valk lift cylinder and bracket (\$330.00 to Leo2074); a 11' highway plow (\$725.00 to Leo2074); a 11' Valk Power Angle Plow (\$850.00 to Leo2074); a 11' highway plow (\$360 to Leo2074); a Monroe 10' power angle plow (\$1,152 to Leo2074); a 10' Val power angle plow (\$481 to Leo2074). After discussion, Supervisor Jones moved that the Board authorize the award of the above-referenced Municibid sales, in the aggregate amount of \$7,086.50. Supervisor D'Angelo seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.
- e. Highspire Road Pipe: Repairs needed to the pipe in Highspire Road were discussed. Chairman Moore moved that the Township Engineer's office proceed with applying for

all requisite permits to perform the repair work. Supervisor Jones seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

- f. September 15 BOS Meeting: Chairman Moore moved that the September 15, 2016, meeting be cancelled. Supervisor Jones seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- a. Indiantown Schoolhouse: Road Foreman Steve Senn inquired as to moving the outside electrical outlet. The Board noted to hold off on doing so, as it was waiting to hear back from the Eagle Scout as to his completion of the project.
- b. P3 Towers: The cell tower issues were discussed at the special meeting immediately prior to the Regular Meeting. A further discussion took place about input from the nearby residents as to the types of antenna configuration. Larry Romanowski will be requested to provide an email to detail the comparison between the two from the perspective of coverage and attractiveness to potential tower tenants. The Board expects to further discuss this matter at its October 6<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- c. Treatment Plant Trail: A discussion was held as to the signage for the trail. It will be reviewed and updated to be consistent with the trail signage on the opposite portion of the trail on the school property. Additionally, a discussion took place as to the landscaping quote previously received by the Township. After discussion, Supervisor Jones moved that the Township approve the quote from Mike Trego for the purchase and installation of the landscaping along the Authority Loop Trail, in the amount of \$6016.00. Supervisor D'Angelo seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.
- d. Road Report/Maintenance Building/Township Building: Manager/Treasurer Randzin noted that the Township has received the written proposal for RMT to complete the work at the maintenance building for the lighting and electrical installation, which was previously approved. Supervisor Jones moved that the Township execute the proposal in the form as submitted. Chairman Moore seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Next, Road Foreman Steve Senn provided the road report. The department was busy in August: picking up the new boom mower; repairing the wall of the maintenance building; addressing road right of way clean up; mowing and other maintenance issues. A discussion took place about repairs to a drain pipe. The Road Foreman will coordinate with the Township Engineer's office to submit any necessary permit applications to PennDOT to address.

Lastly, Steve Senn provided a quote for the purchase of hydraulic hose crimper and fittings. After discussion, Supervisor Jones moved that the Township approve the purchase at ASAP HY Exton, LLC, in the amount of \$2,087.05. Supervisor D'Angelo seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

- e. Picnic Tables: Manager/Treasurer Randzin noted the dilapidated condition of certain of the park picnic benches. A general discussion took place about their replacement, and various options were discussed. The need for bike racks in Wagenseller Park was also discussed. After discussion, Supervisor Jones moved that the Township purchase two (2) four-bike racks from U-Line in the amount of \$290. Supervisor D'Angelo seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. Supervisor D'Angelo further moved that the Township purchase a square single sided picnic table from Treetop Products in an amount not to exceed \$800 (including shipping). Supervisor Jones seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.
- f. Personnel: Manager/Treasurer Randzin noted that the Township received nine (9) responses to the advertisement for the road crew assistant. Each will be asked to submit a full application form and resume. The Board will then assess the candidates and determine those to interview. With respect to the office staff, Manager/Treasurer Randzin noted that assistant Heidi Welker had completed her probationary period and has been a valued addition to the office. After discussion, Chairman Moore moved that the Township acknowledge the end of the employment probationary period for Heidi Welker and to increase her rate of pay to \$15.50, effective September 6, 2016. Supervisor D'Angelo seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. Lastly, a discussion took place about the list of part-time snow plowers. The Road Foreman will be provided the job requirements, and will seek qualified candidates for the Board's consideration.
- g. Volunteer Appreciation Dinner: Discussion occurred as to planning for the Township Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, to be held on September 27, 2016.
- h. Announcements: Chairman Moore announced that Fall Bulk Trash Days have been set for September 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>.

**Public Comment**

- a. None.

**Adjournment**

Supervisor Jones moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Supervisor D'Angelo, which carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty Randzin  
Township Manager/Secretary