

## **WALLACE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**May 4, 2017**

The Regular Meeting of the Wallace Township Board of Supervisors was called to order on Thursday, May 4, 2017 at 7:30 PM in the Township Building by Chairman Robert Jones.

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

Solicitor: Michael G. Crotty, Esquire

Road Foreman: Steve Senn

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

### **EXECUTIVE SESSIONS**

None.

### **DEVEREUX – BRANDYWINE CAMPUS MATTERS**

As a follow up to the discussions from prior months, Chairman Jones provided a further update as to the additional steps taken by the Township as a means of addressing the issues with the Devereux – Brandywine Campus. He noted that two (2) ReadyChesco alerts were issued in the past month for escapes, with both individuals being located. Leah Yaw, Senior Vice President of External Affairs of Devereux, next gave a presentation as to Devereux's efforts, the types of kids in the facility, and she answered a variety of questions from the residents. In addition to comments by the Board of Supervisors, questions and comments were made by Leslie Stevens, Maria McCabe, Carl Walker, Bill Radford, Louise Walker, Brian Cleaver, Larry McCue, Russell Denko, Liz Stenatis, an individual who only identified himself as Anthony from Mapleflower Road, and Jaycee Nicely raised questions and comments to Ms. Yaw as to safety, security and organizational issues associated with Devereux. She spoke to the measures Devereux is undertaking, including additional alarms, remotely-viewable cameras, enhanced notification procedures, quarterly status meetings, uniforms for staff, and efforts to ensure that staff-to-client ratios are maintained. She indicated that they are continuing to pursue the other measures raised by the Township and residents, including additional exterior lighting, perimeter landscaping, resident uniforms, bracelet tracking and other measures. Chairman Jones also reiterated the redundant notification process that the Township is pursuing – through both the Reverse-911 reports to be issued by the police and the ReadyChesco alerts to be issued by the Township upon notice of an escape. Certain residents noted that they did not receive the latest ReadyChesco alerts, and they were advised to confirm that they have properly set up a ReadyChesco account and that they selected notices from the Township. Others confirmed that the latest ReadyChesco alerts did issue. Neighboring residents inquired as to whether Devereux would create a phone notification system (similar to that employed by the school district) to advise as to any alerts. Ms. Yaw indicated that she appreciated the suggestion and would research it further. Solicitor Crotty noted that the Township will continue to move forward with

finalizing the letter of understanding with Devereux as the above-matters are further solidified. After no additional public comment, Chairman Jones noted that the Board appreciated the feedback from the residents and will continue to pursue these issues. After a 10 minute break, the meeting resumed at 9:05 p.m.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

None.

### **MINUTES**

The minutes for the April 6, 2017, meeting were presented for consideration. After discussion, Supervisor Moore moved that the minutes be approved as presented. Chairman Jones seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Manager/Treasurer Randzin presented the Treasurer's report. Sixteen (16) invoices were presented for review, together with the approval and ratification of the April PLGIT payment. After further Board review of the invoices, Supervisor Moore moved the Township approve payment for the sixteen (16) invoices listed on the bills list in the amount of \$56,162.70. Chairman Jones seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. Next, Chairman Jones moved that the Board approve and ratify payment of the April PLGIT invoice in the amount of \$26,522.89. Supervisor Moore seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

### **POLICE REPORT**

Manager/Treasurer Randzin noted that the Pennsylvania State Police submitted a written report, indicating forty-six (46) incidents in the Township in April. Chairman Jones noted that the one burglary referenced on the report was related to a resident being unable to locate an item that had been missing for 1-2 months. Next, Lt. Kimes provided the report of the West Brandywine Township Police Department. The WBTPD issued 27 citations for the month of March, as well as 162 other calls for service. Lt. Kimes also reported that the electronic speed sign trailer has been received and should be put into service in the near future. Next, Lt. Kimes noted that the WBTPD will be hosting a "Coffee with a Cop" day on May 6<sup>th</sup>, at the Glenmoore Deli.

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

Manager/Treasurer Randzin provided the report of the Glenmoore Fire Company, which is in the middle of a recruitment drive. It responded to 17 calls in April, 5 of which were in the Township. Joe Edwards from Westwood Ambulance was present to provide its report. He noted the regional uptick in opioid overdoses, which the emergency services responders have been combatting with narcan. Otherwise, in April, Westwood responded to 141 calls, 14 of which were in the Township. Their average response time was 14 minutes. Supervisor D'Angelo excused herself from the meeting after these reports. (All further votes referenced herein are those of Chairman Jones and Supervisor Moore).

## **EMC**

No report.

## **PARK AND RECREATION BOARD**

Carol Zindel provided the report of the Park and Rec Board. The Board is continuing its planning for Community Day, scheduled for August. Further, after discussion, Supervisor Moore moved that Laura Braun be re-appointed to the Park and Rec Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2022. Chairman Jones seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. The P&R Board is otherwise getting ready for Movie Night.

## **HISTORICAL COMMISSION/TOWNSHIP ARCHIVIST**

No report.

## **TRAILS PRESERVATION BOARD**

No report.

## **EAC**

No report.

## **AUTHORITY**

No report.

## **PLANNING COMMISSION**

No report, except that it was noted that the applicant for the Spring Mill/Schneider subdivision submitted an extension request for the project through June 2nd.

## **ROAD FOREMAN REPORT**

The Road Foreman, Steve Senn, provided his report. The Department performed various building and equipment repairs, completed the fence on the Authority loop trail, did landscaping and tree clean up, met with the Sunoco pipeline representatives, held bulk trash day, performed mowing and made repairs to the snack shack. The Board noted that Mr. Senn is authorized to get quotes for a sign for the park, memorializing that it closes at dusk.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- 1) French Creek Iron Tour 2017: The French & Pickering Creeks Conservation Trust submitted its annual request to host its Iron Tour bike event through the Township. It will only use state roads; no Township roads will be travelled. Fire police must be used

at the various intersections in the Township and riders must be instructed to not ride in packs on the roads. After discussion, Chairman Jones moved that the Board authorize the Township Manager to send the letter of acknowledgment of the event to the Trust, noting the above restrictions. Supervisor Moore seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

- 2) 2017 Dog Licensing Campaign: Manager/Treasurer Randzin noted that the County is in the midst of a dog licensing campaign, and may be in the area in an attempt to enforce its licensing efforts.
- 3) Personnel: Chairman Jones moved that the Township acknowledge the end of the probationary period for Jeremy Corros in his position with the road crew/public works department. Supervisor Moore seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. Chairman Jones further moved that the Township authorize a clothing/shoe allowance for the road crew of up to \$100 per year. Supervisor Moore seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. Lastly, the Board requested that Manager/Treasurer Randzin obtain information about the potential of establishing a health savings account for the Township employees.
- 4) May 18, 2017 Meeting: The Board has not yet made a determination as to cancellation of the Board's May 18<sup>th</sup> morning meeting.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

No report.

#### **Public Comment**

None.

#### **Adjournment**

Chairman Jones moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Moore, which carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 10:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty Randzin  
Township Manager/Secretary