

WALLACE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
April 1, 2010

A Regular Meeting of the Wallace Township Board of Supervisors was called to order on Thursday, April 1, 2010 at 7:30 PM in the Township Building by Chairman Bryan McDonough.

Supervisors present: Bryan McDonough
Barbara D'Angelo

Engineer: Craig Kologie, Castle Valley Consultants

Solicitor: Michael G. Crotty, Esquire

Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was begun with a recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Executive Sessions

None.

Correspondence

Seventy-five (75) pieces of correspondence were noted as received. A list of the correspondence as well as the individual pieces of correspondence is available for public inspection.

Minutes

The minutes for the March 18, 2010, meeting were presented for review. The Supervisors tabled discussion on them as the Board had not yet had the opportunity to fully review them.

Treasurer's Report

Township Secretary/Treasurer Betty Randzin gave the Treasurer's report, which is available at the Township Building for review. Forty-six (46) invoices were presented for review. Chairman McDonough inquired as to whether the invoices include the deposit money for the Community Day DJ. In discussion, it was noted that the contract with the DJ requires some revision. The Township Solicitor was requested to review. Chairman McDonough moved that forty-six (46) invoices, totaling \$36,941.69, be authorized for payment. Supervisor D'Angelo seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Pennsylvania State Police

A report for the month of January was presented by State Police Sgt. Robert Jones. The police report is available for review at the Township building. Sgt. Jones noted that, if any

residents had complaints about speeding or other issues, they could phone the PSP barracks and ask for him.

Glenmoore Fire Company

GMFC representative Robert Brown provided the GMFC report, which is available at the Township building for review. The GMFC handled thirteen (13) calls last month, with seven (7) of them being in Wallace Township. Mr. Brown further requested that the Board consider requiring residents to install reflective house numbers on their mailboxes (at the end of driveways) in order to enhance safety. The Township Solicitor was requested to prepare a draft ordinance for consideration. There was further discussion as to GMFC potentially selling reflective numbers as a fundraising effort.

EMC

Robert Klinger provided a report as the Township Emergency Management Coordinator. He is putting together a hazard mitigation plan, which he will provide in the near future. He is also awaiting the updated floodplain maps from the County. Approximately 150 property owners in the Township are affected. A discussion was held as to whether to notify the property owners of the County's updated mapping, but the issue was ultimately tabled until the County maps arrive. Lastly, after discussion, the Supervisors authorized providing EMC Klinger with a key and the alarm code to the Township Maintenance Building in the event of an emergency.

Elverson EMS

No report.

DARC

Jill Givler provided the DARC report. The minutes from the latest DARC meetings are being sent to the Township. With respect to facilities, the School Board has discussed charging for use of facilities, which may impact the required fees passed through to the residents and the Township. Chairman McDonough noted that Springton Elementary School was required to allow use of its facilities by Township residents as a part of the conditional use approval, but such usage does not cover the fields and the fields have not yet been brought online by the school. Further discussion was held as to re-examination of other locations for playing fields within the Township. Lastly, Supervisor D'Angelo noted that she would like the Township to hold a ceremony to officially dedicate Alice Park in honor of Alice Halsema while she is still able to attend. Supervisor D'Angelo will look into planning for such an event.

Park and Recreation Board

The Board expressed its thanks to Pastor Hicks, Faith Alliance Church and the Park and Recreation Board for another successful Easter Egg Hunt.

Historical Commission

Jennifer Harkins attended on behalf of the Historical Commission. No written report was provided as the substance of the report has not changed since February – which the HC had not yet presented to the Board. Initially, discussion was held as to the efforts to review PennDOT's bridge projects. Ms. Harkins presented an unrecorded 1980s sketch plan of the surrounding area. The Board took exception with the inference in the HC report that the Board or the Township did not provide the HC with support in its efforts. PennDOT and PHMC, state agencies, had the ultimate authority to make the determination as to the bridges. The Board forwarded the concerns raised by the HC onto these agencies, which disagreed. It was noted that the date stone has been saved and that the date stone for the Marshall Road Bridge had also been preserved and incorporated into that bridge despite beliefs to the contrary. Next, discussion was held with respect to the springhouse. The HC has only obtained one bid, from Norm Glass in the amount of \$2,100. The Board noted its preference to adhere to the policy of obtaining phone quotes for all purchases greater than \$1,000. Ms. Harkins requested that the Board forgo the need for additional quotes because she believed that other laborers would be much more costly, but also noted that Ms. Davidson noted one (1) to two (2) other individuals that could be contacted. The Supervisors indicated that, due to monetary constraints, the Board would first review whether sufficient funding is available for the project.

Park and Recreation Board

The Township Easter Egg Hunt has been scheduled for March 27, 2010, at 10:00 a.m., with a rain date on April 3rd. More information is on the Township's website.

Municipal Authority

No report.

Planning Commission

Bill Moore provided the report for the Planning Commission. The PC forwarded its recommendations on Article V and provisions governing timber harvesting to the Board for its review. In discussion, Chairman McDonough noted his preference that the side yard setback for accessory structures less than 300 – 350 square feet to 5 feet, or 0 feet if the landowner has a maintenance agreement with the neighboring property owner. Supervisor D'Angelo noted her preference that the side yard accessory structure setback be reduced to 10 feet. Further input would be sought from Supervisor Jones. Chairman McDonough also noted his preference that the front yard setback be reduced to 20 feet. With respect to the timber harvesting provisions, PC Chair Moore indicated that resident Roger Bender had not yet been provided the provisions for review as he was absent from the last PC meeting, although the current draft removed any requirements of forest stewardship and sustainability previously objected to by Mr. Bender. Further discussion ensued as to the resource conservation provision revisions set forth in Article V.

Lakeview: Supervisor D'Angelo inquired as to the status of the Lakeview Development, which is not yet completed. The Township Engineer would review.

Gulick/Fairview: The Planning Commission has recommended approval of the Fairview/Gulick subdivision. The Township Solicitor presented a form of decision for the Board's consideration, having read the proposed Decision and conditions. After discussion, Chairman McDonough moved that the Fairview/Gulick Preliminary/Final Subdivision and Land Development be approved pursuant to the form of decision and conditions presented by the Township Solicitor. Supervisor D'Angelo seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Old Business

a. Spring Bulk Trash Day: Chairman McDonough noted that Spring Bulk Trash day has tentatively been set for Saturday, April 17, 2010, from 9:00 a.m. to noon. No pre-registration is required.

b. Community Day: Chairman McDonough announced that Township Community Day has been scheduled for Saturday, June 26, 2010, beginning at noon at Wagenseller Park. The GMFC will also host its annual Chicken BBQ on the same date.

New Business

a. Census: The Township Secretary/Treasurer announced that the U.S. Census has commenced and residents are encouraged to complete and return their census forms promptly.

b. Scales: West Brandywine Township advised the Township of its interest in purchasing the remaining two (2) truck scales from the Township for a price of \$900 per scale. After discussion, Chairman McDonough moved that the Township sell the remaining two (2) truck scales to West Brandywine Township for a price of \$1,800. Supervisor D'Angelo seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

c. Indiantown Schoolhouse: Chairman McDonough recommended that the Township rent a boom so that the Maintenance Department can power wash the building and remove the remaining holiday lights from the tree. Key Rental rents out a boom for such purpose at a cost of \$180 per day. After discussion, Chairman McDonough moved that the Township rent a boom from Key Rental for a maximum amount of \$600. Supervisor D'Angelo seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

d. Tax Collection Committee: Township Secretary/Treasurer Betty Randzin provided a report from TCC representative John Miller. The County TCC is ahead of the required implementation schedule and is presently in the process of obtaining bids for service providers.

e. PSATS Convention: Township Secretary/Treasurer Betty Randzin noted that the PSATS Convention would be held on April 18 through April 21, in Hershey. The Supervisors were requested to advise her if they wanted to attend so that tickets may be purchased.

f. County Act 167 Meeting: The Count is holding a meeting on Act 167, which will be attended by the Township Engineer and Supervisor D'Angelo.

g. Executive Session: Chairman McDonough noted that an executive session would be held immediately following the meeting to discuss personnel matters.

Public Comment

None.

Adjournment

Chairman McDonough moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Supervisor D'Angelo, which carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:54 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty Randzin
Township Secretary/Treasurer

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