

WALLACE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
December 14, 2023

The Regular Meeting of the Wallace Township Board of Supervisors was called to order on Thursday, December 14, 2023, at 7:30 PM in the Township Building by Chairman Moore.

Supervisors present: William Moore | Barbara D'Angelo
Solicitor: Michael G. Crotty, Esquire
Engineer/Zoning Officer: Craig Kologie, Castle Valley Consultants
Treasurer/Assistant Manager: Elise Grashof

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

None.

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION – GLEN MOORE FIRE COMPANY

Chairman Moore started the meeting in announcing the Certificate of Recognition being presented to the members of the Glen Moore Fire Company. The GMFC has been steadfast and committed in serving the community, especially through an all volunteer operation. Praise was given for their responsiveness, adaptability and betterment of the community, including in the recent search and rescue efforts of yet another Devereux escape. Numerous members of the GMFC were present to receive the recognition and thanks from the Board.

MINUTES

The minutes for the November 16, 2023 meeting were presented for review. Chairman Moore moved that the minutes be approved as presented. Supervisor D'Angelo seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's Report was presented for review by the Township Treasurer, Ms. Grashof. After discussion and review, Supervisor D'Angelo moved that the Board approve the 29 invoices presented from the General Fund, in the amount of \$162,281.06. Chairman Moore seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. Next, Supervisor D'Angelo moved that the Board approve the list of 11 invoices to be paid with the PLGIT account, in the amount of \$2,456.87. Chairman Moore seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. Lastly, Supervisor D'Angelo moved that the Township ratify and approve the PLGIT credit card

statement totaling \$23,426.89. Chairman Moore seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

WEST BRANDYWINE TOWNSHIP POLICE/GLEN MOORE FIRE COMPANY/ WESTWOOD & ELVERSON AMBULANCE

Chief Kimes provided the report for the WBTPD for the month of November. In it, the Department responded to 288 calls for service, 10 of which were related to Devereux. Chief Kimes otherwise noted the Department's appreciation of Chairman Moore over the past several years. Chief Kimes also thanked the GMFC for its leadership in the last Devereux escape response. For the GMFC, Chief Paul DeCarlo provided its report, noting that it responded to 14 calls in November, 7 of which were in the Township. An update was provided on the status of the new truck. Further discussion was then held on the continuing Devereux issues. After discussion, Chairman Moore moved that the Township issue a violation notice and demands for improvements on Devereux. Supervisor D'Angelo seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Joe Kennedy provided the report for Westwood Ambulance. It responded to 343 calls in November, 26 of which were in the Township. The overall response time was 15 minutes. An update was provided as to regional EMS and hospital issues. Elverson Honey Brook was not present, but submitted a report indicating that it responded to 2 calls in the Township in November. Uwchlan Ambulance was also not present, but submitted a report indicating that it responded to 1 call in the Township in November.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR

Chief Paul DeCarlo provided an update on his efforts as the EMC.

PARK AND REC BOARD

Carol Zindel provided the report of the Park and Rec Board. The Tree Lighting in the new pavilion was a success. Thanks were given all around to all of the staff and volunteers involved in the event. The PRB also thanked Chairman Moore for his years of service and commitment to their efforts, even through Covid and other challenges.

HISTORICAL COMMISSION/TOWNSHIP ARCHIVIST

John Miller and Bonnie Radford provided the HC's report. It recently held 2 events, a cemetery road rally and a Christmas in a One Room Schoolhouse presentation. The HC also toured the Devereux grounds, in relation to its pending land development.

TRAILS BOARD

Dorothy Kirk was present on behalf of the Trails Board. She noted their thanks to Chairman Moore. Additionally, she inquired as to the possibility for a trail crossing sign at the end of the Authority loop trail. It was noted that approval must be granted from PennDOT in

order to do so. The Township will follow up with PennDOT as to the possibility of doing so, as well as the status of the Springton Manor crossing request.

EAC

Tish Malloy provided the report of the EAC, noting that it is moving its sustainability talk to 2024. The EAC also noted their thanks to Chairman Moore for his support over the years.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Justin Wenk provided the Planning Commission report. It had a discussion on the building height issue at its last meeting.

<u>Township Subdivision No.</u>	<u>Plan Name</u>	<u>Plan Submission Date</u>	<u>MPC Review Periods</u>
19-05	Mila Woods (11 lots)	11/7/19	2/15/24

NEW BUSINESS

- 1) 2024 General Fund Budget: The 2024 General Fund budget has been prepared, advertised and is ready for adoption. After discussion, Supervisor D'Angelo moved that the Township approve the 2024 General Fund Budget as presented. Chairman Moore seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.
- 2) 2024 Liquid Fuels Budget: The 2024 Liquid Fuels budget has also been prepared, advertised and is ready for adoption. Chairman Moore moved that it be approved as presented. Supervisor D'Angelo seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.
- 3) Trails at Marsh Creek Escrow Reduction Request #5: The Township Engineer provided a review and recommendation on escrow release #5 by Keystone. After discussion, Chairman Moore moved that the release be approved in the amount of \$622,220.51. Supervisor D'Angelo seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.
- 4) Uhrig Request for Payment Reissuance: The contractor for the park project, Uhrig, has noted that the prior check payment could not be located. After discussion, Chairman Moore moved to authorize the Township to reissue the check, less any stop payment fees. Supervisor D'Angelo seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. Additionally, it was noted that Uhrig remains in default of several aspects of the contract. The Solicitor and Engineer were authorized to prepare a letter to again spell out the defaults and open issues.
- 5) West Brandywine Township Police Agreement and Resolution: The 2024/2025 contract for police services was presented for approval. It has already been approved and signed by West Brandywine Township. After discussion, Chairman Moore moved that the Township approve Resolution 2023-10, approving the 2024/2025 police services agreement. Supervisor D'Angelo seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

- 6) Southdown Sewer Easement: Solicitor Crotty noted the need to approve an updated sewer easement across the Southdown parcel/development. The prior easement was not recorded by the underlying property owner. After discussion, Supervisor D'Angelo moved that the easement be approved and executed. Chairman Moore seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.
- 7) 2024 Resolution – No Real Estate Taxes: Chairman Moore moved that the Township approve Resolution 2023-10, establishing no Township real estate taxes for 2024. Supervisor D'Angelo seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.
- 8) 2024 Organization Meeting: Chairman Moore moved that the Township advertise the 2024 organization meeting for January 2, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. Supervisor D'Angelo seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.
- 9) Employee Healthcare: The 2024 employee health insurance quotes were presented for review. After discussion, Supervisor D'Angelo moved that they be approved as presented. Chairman Moore seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.
- 10) Ordinance Amendments – Fire and EMS Impact Fee and Building Height: Solicitor Crotty noted the background and rationale behind the draft ordinance imposing a Fire and EMS impact fee for new homes, as well as modifying the Zoning Ordinance building height regulations to align with the various codes. After discussion, Chairman Moore moved that the ordinance be provided to the Township and County Planning Commissions, and advertised for consideration at the Board's February 8th meeting. Supervisor D'Angelo seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.
- 11) Speed Limit Ordinance: The Ordinance to set and reaffirm the speed limit for Park Road has been advertised and presented for Board approval. After discussion, Chairman Moore moved that the Ordinance be adopted as advertised as Wallace Township Ordinance No. 176. Supervisor D'Angelo seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.
- 12) Park Rules and Regulations: As a follow up to the discussion at the past Board meeting, Solicitor Crotty noted that, while there is no outright ban on skateboarding, the current park rules and regulations already cover damage done to park facilities through skateboarding or otherwise. After discussion, the Board noted no need to revise the rules and regulations at this time.

ROAD FOREMAN'S REPORT

Road Foreman Steve Senn inquired about CDL training for Zach Curtis. After discussion, Chairman Moore moved that the Township approve the costs associated with the CDL training for Zach in the amount of \$5,900, subject to a reimbursement agreement if he leaves the employment with the Township (100% in year one; 50% reimbursement in year 2). Supervisor D'Angelo seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

MANAGER'S REPORT

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Joe Kennedy of Westwood presented Chairman Moore with a Certificate of Appreciation for his dedication to the Township and support for Westwood and the other EMS providers.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty Randzin
Township Manager/Secretary

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