

WALLACE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
September 12, 2024

The Regular Meeting of the Wallace Township Board of Supervisors commenced at 7:00 PM on Thursday, September 12, 2024.

Supervisors present: Jeff Seese | Robert Jones

Solicitor: Michael G. Crotty, Esquire

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

None.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's Report was presented for review by Ms. Grashof. With respect to the invoices for the general fund checking account, the Board questioned the charges set forth on the Roger's invoice. The Board previously only agreed to reimburse him for his actual costs in the work he performed without Board approval. The Board did not agree to upcharges and mark-ups. The listing and amount to be paid for that invoice was revised to \$366.55 accordingly. After further discussion and review, Chairman Jones moved to approve and pay the twenty-seven (27) invoices from the General Fund, in the amount of \$120,498.91. Supervisor Seese seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. Next, Chairman Jones moved that the Township approve the list of ten (10) invoices to be paid with the PLGIT account in the amount of \$3,817.52. Supervisor Seese seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. Next, Chairman Jones moved that the Township ratify check number 3445 (Independence Blue Cross) in the amount of \$15,716.38. Supervisor Seese seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. Chairman Jones moved that the Board approve the June 27, 2024, PLGIT credit card statement in the amount of \$9,397.35. Supervisor Seese seconded the motion, and, after discussion, the motion was unanimously approved. Lastly, after discussion, Chairman Jones moved that the Board approve the July 27, 2024 PLGIT credit card statement in the amount of \$7,432.59. Supervisor Seese seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Kimes provided the report of the WBTPD. In August, the Department responded to 132 calls for service in the Township. As part of the Chief's report, he noted that the school zone on Devereux Road (in front of the Devereux campus) is now unnecessary. Devereux has advised the Township that it has discontinued school services at the campus. Accordingly, Chairman Jones moved that the Township advertise an ordinance to remove the school zone for consideration at the Board's October 10th meeting. Supervisor Seese seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

GLEN MOORE FIRE COMPANY/ WESTWOOD & ELVERSON AMBULANCE

Chief Paul DeCarlo presented the August GMFC report, noting that it responded to 11 calls, 5 of which were in the Township. Chief DeCarlo also noted that the GMFC received its PEMA state loan for the new fire truck, and would be making the bridge loan repayment to the Township in the near future. Otherwise, the Fire Police were requested for the Honey Brook Halloween event and the Marshman Triathlon, both of which the Board accepted. Representatives from Westwood were not able to be present at the meeting, but submitted a written report of 394 calls for service, 17 of which were in the Township. They maintained an average on-scene time of 13 minutes. Elverson Honey Brook submitted a written report, noting that they responded to 265 calls for service, 9 of which were in the Township. Their average on-scene time, across all of their territories was 11.08 minutes. The Board inquired as to whether they could provide the response times specific to the Township events. Lastly, Uwchlan Ambulance submitted its report, noting that they responded to 7 calls in the Township. UAC also only provided its overall response times across its entire region (5.9 minutes), and the Board inquired whether Township-specific response times could be provided.

PARK AND RECREATION BOARD

Lori Casarella provided the PRB's report. It was noted that, unfortunately, Community Day had to be cancelled because of the ongoing park project. The PRB is otherwise hard at work in preparing for the Township Halloween party (changed to October 19th) and the Tree Lighting (December 6th). The Farmer's Market was also postponed until next year due to the park renovations.

HISTORICAL COMMISSION/TOWNSHIP ARCHIVIST

John Miller from the Historical Commission was present, noting that they have a number of talks planned for the fall and winter.

TRAILS

Mary Wasko and Dan Wagner were present on behalf of the Trails Preservation Board. Chairman Jones noted that the Board of Supervisors just received the electronic map of the various trails throughout the Township. The Board also reviewed the TPB recommendations for the trails within the Highspire development. The Road Foreman will review the fallen tree mentioned in their report. The concept of re-routing the trail was tabled. The Zoning Officer will be directed to take enforcement action against the trail encroachments. Otherwise, Chairman Jones moved that the Township authorize up to \$500 toward the purchase of trail markers/totems (6) and up to \$1,000 for green giants to delineate open space areas. Supervisor Seese seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

EAC

No report.

AUTHORITY

Supervisor Seese provided an update as to the Authority activities.

PLANNING COMMISSION

PC Chair Moore provided an update on the projects before it (Mila Woods, Devereux residential and Duda). He also reported as to the PC's review of the TPB's trail maps. With respect to the Duda development, Manager Elizabeth Randzin noted that the sewage facilities planning module was submitted for review and the Township Engineer recommends approval of Component 4A for submission to DEP. After discussion, Chairman Jones moved that the Board approve Resolution 24-12, approving the Component 4A. Supervisor Seese seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

<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	11/15/24
24-01	Devereux (83 lots)	6/28/24	1/6/25
24-02	Duda (2 lots)	9/11/24	12/10/24

NEW BUSINESS

- 1) Eagle Scout Project: Eagle Scout candidate Riley Collins gave a presentation as to his completed project. He built a hammock garden in Burgess Park, together with other improvements. He also submitted a check donation to the Township for the excess of what he raised (compared to his costs for the project). The Board and Road Foreman thanked him for his hard work and his wonderful project.
- 2) 2024-2025 Deer Hunting (Archery Only): The list of 2024-2025 archery-only deer hunting applications was presented to the Board for its approval. After discussion, Chairman Jones moved to approve the list of thirteen (13) hunters as presented. Supervisor Seese seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.
- 3) Brandywine Conservancy Open Space Priorities Survey: Tabled. The Board noted the need to hear directly from Brandywine Conservancy at a meeting, in order to understand the project altogether, the source of its listed priorities and the impact of the same.
- 4) CCATO Fall Conference and Board November Meeting Schedule: Given a conflict for the Board's meeting date in November with the CCATO Conference, Chairman Jones moved that the Board advertise an amended date for the regular meeting on November 6th (Wednesday). Supervisor Seese seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.
- 5) Stormwater Management Agreement – 30 Tulip Tree Way: The form of the stormwater management agreement for 30 Tulip Tree Way was presented. After discussion, Chairman Jones moved for the Township to approve and sign the Agreement. Supervisor Seese seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

- 6) Banking – Depositories Resolution: Manager Elizabeth Randzin explained that the Township’s financial consultant recommended establishing an account with First Bank. Additionally, it was noted that Fulton Bank has taken over the accounts of Republic Bank. Accordingly, a revised Township Depositories Resolution was presented for Board review. After discussion, Chairman Jones moved that the Township approve Resolution 24-11, affirming the Township depositories. Supervisor Seese seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

ROAD FOREMAN REPORT

Road Foreman Steve Senn provided his report. The Department’s work on the snack shack and park improvements is continuing to move forward. They also conducted boom mowing, and have tested the water at each of the Township building facilities. He is getting prices for water filtration and other systems to address each.

MANAGER’S REPORT

Manager Elizabeth Randzin noted that the Marshman Triathlon submitted a request for Township acknowledgement of its upcoming event. No Township roads will be used and the Township’s standard acknowledgment of receipt letter will be issued.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- 1) Lew Kryder of GGS made a request on behalf of GGS for a bridge loan from the Township in the amount of \$3,400 toward unanticipated snack shack building costs. During discussion of the same, Supervisor Seese recommended that the Township contribute and donate the funding altogether (without need for repayment). The long service and many contributions of GGS in the community were cited by all. After discussion, Chairman Jones moved that the Township donate \$3,400 toward the GGS project. Supervisor Seese seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.
- 2) Tom Stern inquired as to the status of the Sheller/Dalessandro matter, and an update was provided.
- 3) John Landen inquired as to the cell tower installed at the Township maintenance garage. Solicitor Crotty responded as to the ordinance compliance, and Chairman Jones further noted the emergency services and coverage need for the tower in that area.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:59 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty Randzin
Township Manager/Secretary