

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WORKSHOP  
1580 PAOLI PIKE  
May 27, 2008 – 7:00pm**

**Present:** Chairman Marty Shane, Vice-Chairman Carmen Battavio, Joe McDonough, Don McConathy and Thom Clapper. Also present were Township Manager Rick Smith, Jim McRee (Planning Commission & DMC), Linda Gordon (Historical Commission), and Jane Fava (Conservancy Board).

**Bills**

Current invoices were reviewed.

**Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer's Report for May 27, 2008:

	<b>RECEIPTS</b>	<b>EXPENDITURES</b>
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>		
Real Estate Tax	\$ 0.00	
Earned Income Tax	\$ 8,000.00	
LST	\$ 53,232.78	Accounts Payable \$ 254,687.48
Transfer Tax	\$ 12,497.28	Debt Service \$ 199,470.43
Codes, Park & Rec, Etc.	<b>\$ 85,020.30</b>	Payroll \$ 80,000.00
<b>Total Receipts</b>		<b>Total Expenditures \$ 534,157.91</b>
Zoning Hearing Fund	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
State Fund	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Capital Reserve	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Transportation Fund	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Sewer Operating	\$ 5,091.47	\$ 12,630.63
Refuse	\$ 3,952.29	\$ 13,011.16
Capital Projects	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

Joe moved to accept the Treasurer's Report as submitted, and the receipts, and to approve the expenditures just reviewed. Don seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The Board voted and the motion passed unanimously.

**Commercial Communications Antennas & Wireless Communications Facilities**

The Board reviewed Rick's May 22 memo on this topic. The Supervisors agreed that separate sections should be developed for Wireless Facilities and Dishes. The consensus of the Board was to eliminate the annual reporting requirement for Wireless Facilities, and to eliminate the name change requirement for Wireless Facilities, although Thom would prefer to keep the name change requirement. The Board agreed to use the zoning ordinance to focus only on the location of Wireless Facilities. Issues such as the number of boxes and landscaping will be addressed in the subdivision ordinance. Carmen said he wants the subdivision ordinance to include verbiage covering the color of dishes.

### **Refuse Issues**

The Board reviewed Rick's May 22 memo regarding a request from McCusker & Ogbourne (M&O) to reallocate some areas between the North Zone and the South Zone, thus changing the collection days for 278 homes in the Township. Carmen wondered why previous haulers have not requested this change. He stated that he would be in favor of the change only if it has no cost impact to the Township. Joe said that M&O's request seemed reasonable.

The Board then began to discuss the numerous complaints received about M&O's performance. Rick said that M&O have been informed about the complaints, and representatives have met with Rick and Mark Miller to discuss the issues. Joe said that any complaints about their performance should be addressed separately from the rezoning request, and if they can't meet basic standards of service the Township should consider getting another hauler. He also stated that M&O have to be responsible for solving their own problems; the Township shouldn't try to do their job for them. However, the fact that they are making this request shows they are trying to make improvements in service. Joe said the Township needs to get a written response from M&O about how they plan to address the complaints, and the Township needs to impose a deadline on them for resolution of the issues.

Carmen wants to know what the Township is back-charging to M&O for damaged cans, non-performance, etc.

Marty asked Rick to put a copy of the contract with M&O in each Supervisors' packet, and to start preparing a monthly report showing all the complaints received. He also requested that Rick work with Mark Miller to prepare a written plan for enforcing a resolution to the issues, with a timeline.

Marty, Joe, Don and Thom agreed that M&O's request to reallocate some homes between the North and South Zones is a legitimate request that should be granted. Carmen was opposed to granting the request, as he would prefer to see M&O's performance improve before any such changes are made.

*Public Comment: Jim McRee, Oneida Lane* – Said M&O will take away bags of trash placed in cans, but loose trash placed in cans gets left behind.

*Public Comment: John Schorn, Larch Lane* – Asked what the cost difference was between M&O and the next lowest bidder. Marty said the difference wasn't huge, but the Township had to go with the lowest responsible bidder.

### **Chester County Act 167 Plan**

The Board discussed Rick's May 22 memo on how the Township should respond to the requirements of Act 167. Joe recommended deferring to CCATO for guidance. Rick said CCATO was contacted but they are leaving it up to the members. Marty suggested East Goshen send a formal letter to CCATO requesting they make a recommendation to the membership communities. The other Supervisors agreed with this suggestion. Rick will draft a letter.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board met in Executive Session until 9:36pm to discuss a personnel matter.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Meddings  
Recording Secretary