

**sEAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING  
1580 PAOLI PIKE  
September 2, 2008 – 7:00 p.m.**

**Present:** Vice-Chairman Carmen Battavio, Don McConathy and Thom Clapper. Also present were Township Manager Rick Smith, Linda Gordon (Historical Commission), Jim McRee (Planning Commission & DMC), Phyllis Marron (Park & Recreation Board), Jane Fava (Conservancy Board) and Jeff Sommer (Township Solicitor).

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board met in Executive Session with Township Solicitor until 7:20 p.m.

**WORKSHOP**

**Minutes**

The draft minutes of August 12 and 19 were reviewed and corrected.

**Bills**

Current Invoices were reviewed

**Alarm Ordinance**

Jeff Sommer provided a copy of the West Goshen ordinance. He feels that since the same fire company is involved, the ordinances should be similar. The major concern is false alarms. The fire company doesn't want the fines, they want the false alarms to stop, particularly commercial alarms. Residential alarms don't take the same amount of resources as commercial alarms. Carmen feels the fines should be on a sliding scale. Jeff explained that the fine isn't going to the fire company. It goes to the township as a summary criminal charge, which needs to be equal to all. If you want reimbursement of costs, then it can be different. Rick feels the purpose of the ordinance is to get people to fix the alarm. Currently the charge for a false alarm is \$10.

**Trash**

After some discussion it was decided that Jeff will review the ordinance.

**FORMAL MEETING**

**Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance**

Carmen called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

**Moment of Silence**

Carmen called for a moment of silence in honor of the men and women serving their country in the armed forces and for the family of Don Lutz and Donna Bennet, residents who were tragically killed.

**Approval of Minutes**

Don moved to approve the minutes of August 12 and 19 as corrected in Workshop. Thom seconded the motion. There was no public comment and no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Chairman’s Report**

The bids for rehabilitation of six manholes were:

Abel Recon	Total \$340.00 per foot	\$16,320	Total cost
SWERP Incorporated	Total \$474.75 per foot	\$22,788	Total cost

Don moved to accept the bid from SWERP Incorporated. Thom seconded the motion. Thom asked about the spray liner. Rick explained that it was used in the past and doesn’t perform as well. There was no public comment and no discussion. The Board voted and the motion passed unanimously.

**Public Hearing**

The public hearing on the Solid Waste Ordinance was tabled.

**Treasurer’s Report**

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

**Minimum Municipal Obligation**

Fire Defined-Benefit Pension Plan	\$ 35,334
Non-Uniformed Defined-Benefit Pension Plan	\$100,818
Police Commission – employees	\$ 8,801

**New Business**

A. Resolution 08-51 to change the collection process for Utility Billing accounts. Don moved to adopt Resolution 08-51 with changes. Thom seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The Board voted and the motion passed unanimously.

B. Notice from the Solicitor to notify residents with existing liens of the new resolution and implications for those accounts was discussed.

**Millcreek**

The Park & Recreation Board needs to check the accessway to the ball park for repairs.

**Email Policy**

All Board of Supervisors Liasons to the ABCs must review the Email Policy at their next meeting.

### **YMCA Trees**

Jane Fava reminded the Board that the deadline for submitting the list of trees is September 9. The Conservancy Board's next meeting is September 10<sup>th</sup>. She asked if the deadline can be moved. The Board moved the deadline to September 11. Rick commented that the agreement is for a certain number of trees at a certain caliber. Jane wants to get the trees from RPM because their trees have a stronger root system, which means a better survival rate. Rick needs the list and will meet with the YMCA for any differences.

### **Deer Management Program**

Rick distributed samples of the signs to be posted. The Board prefers the wording "Bowhunter".

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business Thom moved to adjourn the meeting. Don seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The Board voted and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Kiefer  
Recording Secretary

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