

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING  
1580 Paoli Pike  
December 1, 2009 – 7:00pm  
Final Approved Minutes**

**Present:** Joe McDonough, Don McConathy and Thom Clapper. Chairman Marty Shane and Vice-Chairman Carmen Battavio were absent. Also present were Township Manager Rick Smith, Assistant Township Manager Joe Gill, Jane Fava (Conservancy Board), Kathryn Yahraes (Historical Commission), and Jim McRee (Deer Committee).

**WORKSHOP**

**Call to Order**

Supervisor Joe McDonough called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

**E. Boot Road Plantings**

Jane Fava reported that she obtained two additional quotes for landscaping plans for E. Boot Road: Terra Nova Landscapes at \$8,840 and Main Line Gardens at \$8,000. The previously obtained quote from W.D. Wells was for \$6,645.

**Parking Along Line Road**

Police Chief John Dumond reported that he met with Willistown Police Chief John Narcise and Neil Davis (President of GCVSA) on November 30 to discuss the issue of illegal parking along Line Road during soccer events. Both Police Chiefs told Mr. Davis that their police departments must be notified in writing before an event is scheduled to take place. Chief Dumond said Mr. Davis told them the GCVSA has nothing in their budget for police services but he will discuss the matter with his Executive Board. Mr. Davis also told them the GCVSA cannot fund a fence. Chief Dumond said that Willistown is planning to raise the rate for their parking tickets. The issue of getting Thornbury and Westtown to raise their rates to match the new East Goshen rate will be discussed at the next Police Commission meeting.

The Board discussed having a berm installed to discourage parking along Line Road. Rick will ask Mark Miller to make a recommendation to the Board about the feasibility of installing a berm or putting up a fence.

**Review of Minutes**

The minutes of November 24 were reviewed and corrected.

**ABC Vacancies**

Joe announced there is a vacancy on the Historical Commission due to the resignation of Dolores Higgins. She will, however, continue as a beyond-the-Commission volunteer according to Kathryn Yahraes. Jim McRee informed the Board that the Deer Committee also has a vacancy. Joe McDonough advised Rick to put an ad in the *Daily Local*.

### **Agenda Update**

Joe McDonough announced that the agenda had changed and there would be no Executive Session after the meeting.

### **Goshen Fire Company Agreement**

The Board discussed the draft agreement with the Goshen Fire Company for fuel purchases from East Goshen. They discussed the best way to determine what rate to charge the Fire Company, and a change was made to Item #2 in the agreement. In addition, Thom made a grammatical change to #5 of the "Billing Process." Rick will make the changes and send the revised agreement to the Fire Company for review.

## **FORMAL MEETING**

### **Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance**

Supervisor Joe McDonough called the meeting to order at 8:00pm and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. He noted that Chairman Marty Shane was home recovering from back surgery, and Vice-Chairman Carmen Battavio was on vacation, so he would be chairing the meeting as the Supervisor present with the most seniority.

### **Recording of Meeting**

No resident indicated they planned to record the meeting.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Thom moved to approve the minutes of November 24 as corrected in Workshop. Don seconded the motion. There was no discussion.

*Public Comment: Leo Sinclair, 217 Lochwood Lane* – Asked why on page 5 of the minutes it states "There was no public comment" under the Public Comment Period when he knows there was public comment during the meeting. The Board pointed him to the public comments shown on page 4 of the minutes under the Metered Billing Update. Mr. Sinclair was informed that when the public was given the opportunity at the end of the meeting to make additional comments on non-agenda items, no comments were made.

There was no further public comment. The Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes.

### **Chairman's Report**

Joe McDonough announced the following:

- The Board authorized the execution of the PA Conservation Works Grant Agreement for LED signal lights during the November 24 meeting.
- The Board met in Executive Session on November 24 to discuss the police labor contract.
- Dolores Higgins has informed the Township she will be resigning from the Historical Commission effective December 31.

*Public Comment: John Schorn, Larch Lane* – Asked if the police have a contract yet. Joe McDonough said a new contract is still being negotiated, so in the meantime the old contract is

still in effect. Mr. Schorn asked if the police can go on strike, and Joe told him no, but said they could go to arbitration.

**Treasurer’s Report & Expenditure Register Report**

The Treasurer’s Report for November 24, 2009:

	<b>RECEIPTS</b>	<b>EXPENDITURES</b>
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>		
Real Estate Tax	\$ 1,783.38	
Earned Income Tax	\$ 171,429.74	Accounts Payable \$ 11,485.08
LST	\$ 5,000.00	Electronic Payments \$ 0.00
Transfer Tax	\$ 0.00	Debt Service \$ 0.00
Codes, Park & Rec	\$ 3,540.19	Payroll \$ 43,000.00
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$ 181,753.31</b>	<b>Total Expenditures \$ 54,485.08</b>
State Fund	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Capital Reserve	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Transportation Fund	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Sewer Operating	\$ 20,288.25	\$ 10,755.60
Refuse	\$ 13,713.51	\$ 0.00
Capital Projects	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

Joe McDonough moved to accept the Treasurer’s Report of November 24 and the Expenditure Register Report as recommended by the Treasurer, to accept the receipts and to authorize payment of the invoices reviewed in Workshop. Don seconded the motion. There was no discussion or public comment. The Board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

**E. Boot Road Plantings**

Joe McDonough stated that the Conservancy Board has obtained three bids for landscaping services for E. Boot Road. The lowest responsible bid came from W.D. Wells, and there is money in the budget to cover the cost.

Don moved to authorize W.D. Wells to install plantings along E. Boot Road at a cost of \$6,645 as per their November 11, 2009 proposal. The plantings are to be in place, invoiced, and paid for by the Township prior to December 31, 2009. Thom seconded the motion.

*Public Comment: John Schorn, Larch Lane* – Asked how much is in the budget for this project. Joe Gill said there is enough from two line items in the Conservancy Board’s budget to cover the cost. Joe McDonough noted there would be a little bit left over. Joe Gill said there is \$9,100 in the Conservancy Board budget that can be used for this project. So far this year the Conservancy Board has only used \$1,900 of that, leaving a balance of \$7,200 available.

There was no further public comment. The Board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

### **Deed of Dedication for Tallmadge Drive**

Thom moved to approve Resolution 09-113 whereby the Township accepts the Deed of Dedication for Tallmadge Drive. Don seconded the motion. There was no discussion or public comment. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Lipton, 1680 East Strasburg Road, Apartment for Care of Relative**

Don moved to authorize the Township Manager to execute an agreement on behalf of the Board with Lance and Mary Anne Lipton of 1680 East Strasburg Road, TPN #53-4R-36. This agreement will allow the Liptons to have an apartment on their property for the care of a relative pursuant to Township Code §240.32.C. Thom seconded the motion. There was no discussion or public comment. The Board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

### **Mowing Agreement with PennDOT for 2010 Mowing Season**

Thom moved to authorize the Township Manager to execute a mowing agreement with PennDOT for the portion of Route 3 (West Chester Pike) from Manley Road to Ellis Lane. Don seconded the motion.

*Public Comment: John Schorn, Larch Lane* – Asked for more specifics of the agreement.

There was no further public comment. The Board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

### **Correspondence & Reports of Interest**

Joe McDonough acknowledged receipt of a letter from Edward B. Walsh & Associates informing the Township that Lieberman Earley & Company of 1345 Enterprise Drive has applied for a General NPDES Permit.

*Public Comment: Leo Sinclair, 217 Lochwood Lane* – Asked what NPDES stands for. Rick told him it stands for National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System. Mr. Sinclair then had questions on why the company would be applying for this permit. Rick told him they need it due to construction activities at their property.

### **Meetings & Dates of Importance**

Joe McDonough noted the upcoming meetings as listed in the agenda. Joe Gill said the December 22 Board of Supervisors meeting will be held only in case of emergency.

### **Public Comment Period**

*Jim McRee, Oneida Lane* – Said that contractors he has been speaking to about work on his home do not seem to be aware of any Township permit fees. Jim then asked if the Township has a list of home businesses within East Goshen and does it monitor them to make sure they are paying Berkheimer appropriately. Rick said that since such home businesses are within East Goshen, they belong to residents and are therefore on the Berkheimer list. Jim asked if the Township does anything to make Berkheimer aware of the known home businesses within the Township. Joe McDonough said it would be of no benefit to East Goshen to do so as Berkheimer cross-checks their list with the State. Jim then said he would like the BOS packet materials which are sent to ABCs to be double-sided. Joe McDonough said that could be done. Rick will advise the office staff.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:23pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Meddings  
Recording Secretary