# EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING 1580 PAOLI PIKE April 2, 2013 Final Approved Minutes

<u>Present</u>: Chairman Senya D. Isayeff, Vice-Chairman Carmen Battavio, Supervisors Marty Shane, Thom Clapper and Chuck Proctor. Also present were Township Manager Rick Smith and CFO Jon Altshul. ABC members in attendance were Erich Meyer (Park & Rec), Ginnie Newlin (Conservancy Board), and Al Zuccarello (Commerce Commission).

Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance

Senya called the meeting to order at 7:00pm and asked resident Leo Sinclair to lead everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Moment of Silence**

Carmen called for a moment of silence to remember the troops.

#### **Recording of Meeting**

Resident Leo Sinclair recorded the meeting.

#### Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

None.

Chairman's Report

Senya announced that the Board met in Executive Session on March 19 to discuss a personnel matter.

#### Fire Marshal Report

Carmen reported on Fire Marshal activities as of March 28.

## New Sewer Rates (Resolution 2013-34A)

Jon summarized his memo of March 27 on this topic. The staff recommends the 2013 fixed rate be \$26.20/quarter and the variable rate be \$7.51/thousand gallons.

Public Comment: Leo Sinclair, Lochwood Lane – Had some questions for Jon about fixed costs. He also asked if Hershey's Mill is tapped into the Township's sewer system and Rick said no.

Marty moved to adopt Resolution 2013-34A Establishing and Consolidating the Various Fees and Charges Imposed Pursuant to the Code of the Township. Chuck seconded the motion. There was no discussion or further public comment. The Board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

# Health Insurance & Human Resources Administration Analysis RFP

Jon summarized his memo of March 25 on this topic. The staff recommends this matter be referred to the Finance Committee.

Thom wondered if PSATS might be of any help if the Township consulted them. Senya suggested postponing discussion on this matter until May 7, after the PSATS convention.

**New WEGO Police Chief** 

Senya announced that Ms. Brenda Bernot has been hired as Chief of Police for WEGO. He asked Rick to read aloud a letter from the Board of Supervisors to Mr. Craig Adams of PECO (a copy of the letter is included with these minutes). Senya thanked Rick, who served on the Selection Committee and Chuck Proctor, who serves as East Goshen's Police Commissioner, for their work on this matter.

Public Comment: Leo Sinclair, Lochwood Lane – Asked if Thornbury was mentioned in the last sentence of the letter and Senya said no, only the two charter members of WEGO (Westtown and East Goshen) were mentioned.

East Goshen Township Business Directory

Al Zuccarello, Chairman of the Commerce Commission and member of the Planning Commission, announced that a Township Business Directory has been posted to the Township web page (see attached) and gave an expansive update on all the work involved in obtaining the information.

Public Comment: Tacuma Bethea, Cider Knoll – Asked if the management of New Kent has considered adding ground-floor units for disabled veterans. Rick said that under the Township code they are required to have a certain number of units accessible to the disabled.

**Review of Minutes** 

The Board reviewed and corrected the draft minutes of March 19. Senya stated the minutes would stand as corrected.

## Treasurer's Report & Expenditure Register Report

See attached Treasurer's Report for March 28, 2013.

The Board reviewed the Treasurer's Report and the current invoices. Thom moved to accept the Treasurer's Report and the Expenditure Register Report as recommended by the Treasurer, to accept the receipts and to authorize payment of the invoices just reviewed. Carmen seconded the motion. There was no discussion or public comment. The Board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

**Action List** 

<u>Hershey Mill Dam</u> – Rick reported that DEP had 9 comments on the revised plans. The Township Engineer is working on a response.

Employee Incentive Plan - no update.

Employee Picnic - no update.

Spinelli Property at 143 Line Road, Willistown Township

Ms. Mary McLoughlin of Willistown was scheduled to make a presentation on Willistown's plans for the referenced property, but was not present at the meeting. Senya asked if any of the residents in attendance had comments.

Public Comment: Hank Belber, Applebrook – Said that since Ms. McLoughlin did not show up, East Goshen should not support Willistown's plan for the property and the draft letter to Willistown should not be sent. Willistown's plans for the property are not in the best interest of East Goshen.

Public Comment: Giulio Perillo, Applebrook – Disagreed with Mr. Belber and said he believes Willistown should be commended, and he supports open space. He does not want to see more homes built on the property. Willistown should not have allowed the Toll Brothers development to be built on the corner.

Marty agreed that open space is important, and noted that the letter to Willistown distributed to residents and included in the packet was only a draft. Marty said he is personally in favor of taking no action until Willistown makes a presentation to East Goshen. Senya said the Board should take a position this evening for the benefit of the residents.

Marty moved to take no position on Willistown's plans for the Spinelli property until after Willistown makes a presentation to the Board of Supervisors and residents of East Goshen. Carmen seconded the motion.

Public Comment: Patricia Carroll, Applebrook – Said she supports open space and does not want Willistown to put a parking lot on the Spinelli property. The Township should not support Willistown without knowing their plans for the property.

Public Comment: Stephen Arnold, Applebrook – Said he is opposed to any plan to expand the soccer facilities on Line Road. He suspects Willistown's plans for "conservation" involving the Spinelli property is just a ruse to get more parking for soccer events. He does not want his state taxes to pay for that land. He would appreciate anything East Goshen can do to get Willistown to clarify their plans for the site.

Public Comment: Giulio Perillo, Applebrook – Said the burned-out Spinelli home is an eyesore, and putting a parking lot there is not a big deal to him. Open space, even a parking lot, is better than having another development built on the site. Thom said his concern is that what may start out by Willistown as 10 parking spaces will grow to 20, then 50, etc. Carmen said it's only fair that Willistown come and make a presentation.

Public Comment: Bill Egan, Mill Creek – Said he supports sending the draft letter to Willistown and furthermore, he wants East Goshen to develop the proposed Applebrook trail and other trails in the vicinity.

Public Comment: Chuck Halmer, Applebrook – Said the Applebrook HOA supports Marty's motion, as there is inadequate information for the Board to make a decision. The fact that Willistown chose not to show up to this meeting is very telling.

Public Comment: Mario Ferroni (Willistown resident) – Said he is dismayed that Willistown hasn't had an open forum meeting about the purchase of this property or their plans for it. He thanked East Goshen for having this meeting.

Public Comment: John Hertzog, Cornwallis Drive - Said it is disrespectful of Willistown not to have shown up this evening. He suggested the Township send Willistown a letter - not in support of their plans but to express how disappointed the residents were that they did not have the courtesy to show up.

The Board voted 4:1 and the motion passed. Thom said he was opposed to the motion because he believes East Goshen should not merely postpone making a decision about this, but send a letter to Willistown turning down their request for support. Senya said that Rick will send a letter to Willistown saying East Goshen cannot send a letter of support in the absence of more information.

Public Comment: Patricia Carroll, Applebrook - Asked if Willistown can receive a grant regardless of whether East Goshen supports them or not. Senya said it's possible.

There was no further discussion or public comment.

#### Any Other Matter

None.

## Correspondence & Dates of Importance

None.

Meetings & Dates of Importance

Senya noted the upcoming meetings as listed in the agenda. Thom reminded the Board that they have been invited to attend the Park & Rec meeting a 6:00pm on April 4, where vendors from the Farmers' Market will be present.

#### **Public Comment**

None.

#### Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:03pm.

Anne Meddings Recording Secretary Attachments:

- -Treasurer's Report
- -Letter to Craig Adams of PECO
- -Township Business Directory

April 2, 2013

Mr. Craig L. Adams President & CEO PECO 26th Floor 2301 Market Street Philadelphia, PA 19101

Dear Mr. Adams:

On Monday, March 25, 2013, the Westtown East Goshen Regional Police Commission hired Ms. Brenda Bernot as the Chief of Police for the Westtown East Goshen Regional Police Department. Ms. Bernot was sworn in by District Justice William Kraut. Over thirty officers from WEGO along with representatives from the Pennsylvania State Police, neighboring police departments, and the Chester County District Attorney's office were on hand to witness this historic event.

The purpose of this letter is to let you know that Greg Cary, Regional External Affairs Manager for Chester County, served as Chair of the Selection Committee.

The Committee was comprised of Greg, Tyree Blocker, a retired Pennsylvania State Police Major, Anthony Giaimo, the Superintendent of Police for Tredyffrin Township, Robert Schurr, the Chief of Police in North Coventry Township and Marc Hanlan, a management consultant at IBM. Greg's availability and willingness to organize and Chair the Committee made a remarkable difference in the successful outcome of this process and is greatly appreciated by our entire community.

Whereas the Selection Committee's individual and collective efforts were acknowledged at the public meeting, it gives me great pleasure to express the sincere appreciation and extend the heartfelt gratitude of the Police Commission and the East Goshen and Westtown Township Boards of Supervisors for PECO's community-based outreach that is both encouraged and supported by you and your management.

Sincerely,

Senya D. Isayeff Chairman Board of Supervisors - East Goshen Township

# **East Goshen Township Business Directory**

Dear Residents, Employees, Friends and Neighbors of East Goshen,

The Commerce Commission is pleased to provide this Business Directory of retail stores, shops, and offices within the Township for your use and convenience. Thank you for considering these establishments. As you know, they are an integral part of our community, sharing with us their residency in East Goshen as well as their good citizenship as friends and neighbors. \*

## **Business Categories**

Animal Care Centers

Antique Dealers

Apartments and Condo Complexes

**Architect Offices** 

Art Galleries and Framing Studios

Automotive Services, Repairs, and Rentals

Banks, Financial, and Insurance Firms

Bicycle Retail and Repair

Dry Cleaners and Laundromats

Florists, Landscaping, and Nurseries

Food Stores and Restaurants

Fuel Oil and Gasoline

Hair and Nail Salons, Personal Services

Golf Clubs

Government Offices

Home Furnishings and Decor

Lawn Equipment and Pool Supplies

Legal Offices

Medical/Dental/Optical Offices and Pharmacies

Package/Mailing Shipping

Real Estate Offices

Schools and Education

Senior Living Centers

Sports and Fitness

Transportation/Limo Services

<sup>\*</sup>Listing in this directory shall not be construed as an endorsement of any business.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT 2013 RECEIPTS AND BILLS

GENERAL FUND			
Real Estate Tax Earned Income Tax Local Service Tax Transfer Tax General Fund Interest Earned Total Other Revenue	\$832,433.17 \$80,800.00 \$600.00 \$0.00 \$27,165.94	Accounts Payable  Electronic Pmts:  Health Insurance  Credit Card  Postage  Debt Service  Payroli	\$50,668.91 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$80,000.00
Total Receipts:	\$940,999.11	Total Expenditures:	\$130,668.91
STATE LIQUID FUELS FUND			
Receipts Interest Earned Total State Liqud Fuels:	\$0.00 \$0.00 \$0.00	Expenditures:	\$0.00
CAPITAL RESERVE			
Interest Earned	\$0.00	Expenditures:	\$0.00
TRANSPORTATION FUND			
Interest Earned	\$0.00	Expenditures:	\$0.00
SEWER OPERATING			
Receipts Interest Earned Total Sewer:	\$26,792.22 \$0.00 \$26,792.22	Accounts Payable Debt Service Total Expenditures:	\$86,158.20 \$0.00 \$86,158.20
REFUSE			
Receipts Interest Earned Total Refuse:	\$8,767.94 \$0.00 \$8,767.94	Expenditures	\$26,968.74
SEWER CAPITAL RESERVE			
Interest Earned	\$0.00	Expenditures	\$3,473.00