

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
1580 PAOLI PIKE
TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 2016 – 7:00 pm
FINAL MINUTES**

Present: Chairman Senya D. Isayeff, Vice-Chairman Marty Shane, and Supervisors Janet Emanuel, Chuck Proctor, Carmen Battavio, Township Manager Rick Smith, Township Solicitor Joseph “Skip” Brion, Township CFO Jon Altshul, Recreation Director Jason Lang and ABC Member Erich Meyer (Conservancy Board).

Call to order & Pledge of Allegiance:

Senya called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and asked Erich to lead the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moment of Silence:

Carmen called for a moment of silence to honor the members of the military who keep us safe both locally and abroad, and to honor those who have given the ultimate of their lives in defense of our nation.

Recording of Meeting: Leo Sinclair, 217 Lochwood Lane, recorded the meeting.

Chairman’s Report:

- a. Senya announced that the Board met in executive session on March 28th and prior to the meeting tonight with the Township Solicitor to discuss a legal matter.
- b. Jason Lang announced that the Township was awarded a \$1,000,000 TAP grant from the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission for the Paoli Pike Trail.
- c. Chuck announced that the WEGO Police Department was officially accredited by the Pennsylvania Chiefs of Police Association, making it only the third department in the county to receive this honor. He added that the accreditation should result in a reduction in WEGO’s liability insurance premiums.
- d. Senya announced that action on the Saints Peter and Paul variance application was tabled until April 12, 2016.

Consider Resolution Authorizing the Temporary Closure of Hibberd Lane to Thru Traffic

Chuck made a motion not to authorize the temporary closure of Hibberd Lane. Janet seconded the motion.

Cathy Rossetti, 1701 Hibberd Lane, stated that her neighborhood is a racetrack and that it is a minor imposition for motorists to find an alternate route to Paoli Pike.

Frank Morgan, 1704 Clocktower Drive, stated that any speeding on Hibberd Lane can be reduced by the installation of traffic calming devices and that he doesn't believe there has been an increase in traffic on Hibberd Lane.

Kevin Doyle, 624 Thorncroft, asked if under the terms of the easement there was a limit on the number of cars that could travel on Hibberd Lane. Senya responded that there was not such a limit.

Libby Nulty, 1716 Clocktower Drive, asked how many speeding tickets had been issued on Hibberd Lane. Chuck responded that during a recent 22-hour special police detail on Hibberd Lane, there had been one ticket and one warning issued. Ms. Nulty observed that it's difficult to speed on Hibberd Lane.

Dan Flynn, 1706 Cricket Lane, asked that the motion be tabled. He said the Township needs professional help with its traffic engineering and criticized the Township's planning.

Joe Cash, 1723 Clocktower Drive, stated that he is concerned about the behavior of one or more residents on Hibberd Lane who have been shining bright lights in motorists' eyes as they pass and stepping out in front moving cars.

Jeanne McParland, 732 Peach Tree Drive, asked the Board to explain the legal status of Hibberd Lane. Skip explained that Hibberd Lane is a private road maintained by the Preserve at Applebrook and IMX, but a public thoroughfare with public access.

Mr. Doyle stated that a traffic cone has been placed in the middle Hibberd Lane and a camera has been placed on top of a stop sign. He observed that these may create an unsafe environment and asked what can be done about them. Skip responded that probably nothing can be done about the camera as it is on private property. Rick added that probably nothing can be done about the cone either as it is intended as a calming device.

Mary McCloskey, 1727 Clocktower Drive, said that she was saddened that we bicker about a road closing and asked whether Applebrook residents would feel more comfortable if motorists put signs in their windshields attesting that they were local.

Ms. Rossetti stated that she appreciated the cooperative spirit that she had heard from the Clocktower residents in attendance.

The motion passed unanimously.

Fire Marshal Report: Carmen explained that he received a complaint about a burning on March 25th at 1331 Strasburg Road. The owner had torn down a part of his property and was burning it. The owner ultimately agreed to put out the fire and the matter was referred to the Township Zoning Officer.

Consider Partnering with the Exchange Club of West Chester for a Field of Honor Event: Jason explained that the Park & Recreation Commission was recommending that the Township

partner with the Exchange Club for this event rather than issuing a park permit. Senya noted that the Board had previously requested a detailed program and plan for the event and that Jason consult with the Solicitor about whether holding it would set a precedent. Jason noted that he had spoken with Kristin Camp about the matter and that she had suggested the partnership idea in coordination with the Bicentennial celebrations to avoid setting a precedent. Senya added that the Board still needed more details about the event, including the number of attendees and flags. Janet added that she'd like to know about the impact that the event could have on the surrounding neighborhood.

Steve Douglass, President of the Exchange Club of West Chester, explained that there would be a minimum of 1,000 flags and a maximum of about 2,000, depending on sponsorship levels. He explained that his group cannot begin fundraising until it can agree to a contract with the Colonial Flag Foundation, and having a location for the event is a requirement before the contract can be signed. He added that the event would probably start on the Friday before Memorial Day 2017 and end on Memorial Day itself, with a day needed before and after the event for set-up and clean-up. He explained that the daily hours would probably be from sunrise to 10:00pm. However, he said that the contract requires that the field be lit with proper flag etiquette. He also explained that it's hard to predict attendance. He noted that a similar event in Hanover, PA was held with 3,000 flags and as many as 5,000 attendees. Mr. Douglass agreed to provide the Board with a copy of the contract, which will answer many of their questions. Mr. Douglass was joined by Wayne Kinsey, Chris Kinsey, Jill Camlin, Mark Rizzi and Bob House, all from the Exchange Club.

Leo Sinclair asked whether we have a Bicentennial Committee. Senya replied that we do.

Consider resolution authorizing submission of an East Goshen Park Playground Renovation Grant Application to the DCNR Community Conservation Partnerships Program

Carmen made a motion to authorize application for the DCNR Community Conservation Partnership Program in the amount of \$300,000, approve matching funds in the amount of \$413,722 for the East Goshen Playground Renovation and give Jason Lang, Director of Recreation, approval to sign the resolution page and associated documents. Chuck seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Consider resolution authorizing submission of a Paoli Pike Trail Grant Application to the DCNR Community Conservation Partnerships Program

Carmen made a motion to authorize application for the DCNR Community Conservation Partnership Program in the amount of \$268,000 for Segments F & G of the Paoli Pike Trail, approve matching funds in the amount of \$344,000 and give Mark Gordon, Zoning Officer, approval to sign the resolution page and associated documents. Chuck seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Consider authorizing submission of a Paoli Pike Trail, Segments D-E Grant Application to the DVRPC CMAQ Grant Program

Carmen made a motion to authorize application for a DVRPC CMAQ Program grant for Segments D-E of the Paoli Pike Trail in the amount of \$1,736,000, approve matching funds in

the amount of \$679,400 and give the Township Manager approval to sign the resolution and associated documents. Chuck seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Consider authorizing submission of an East Goshen Park Playground Renovation Grant Application to the DCED Greenways, Trails, and Recreation Program (GTRP)

Carmen made a motion to authorize application for the DCED-GTRP Grant in the amount of \$250,000 and approve matching funds in the amount of \$163,422 or \$413,722, with the noted DCNR-C2P2 Development Grant application pending. Chuck seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Consider authorizing submission of a Paoli Pike Master Corridor Master Plan grant application to the DVRPC TCDI Grant Program

Carmen made a motion to authorize Township staff to file a TCDI grant application to help fund a Paoli Pike Corridor Master Plan this implementing objectives 6.1 and 6.2 of the 2015 Comprehensive Plan. Chuck seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Financial Report

Jon reported that the Firefighters Defined Benefit Plan is 96.8% funded; the frozen Non-uniformed Defined Benefit plan is 113.0% funded; and the Defined Contribution plan is 100% funded. He added that the funding level for the WEGO pension plan had fallen from about 66% funded to 61% funded.

Consider 2016 Sewer Rates

Jon explained that due to increased costs for sewage treatment at West Goshen's Sewage Treatment Plant due to additional operations and maintenance costs there, he was recommending that the 2016 sewer rates be \$27.26 per quarter fixed and \$8.38 per thousand gallons. He noted that wintertime water consumption fell slightly, presumably due to the installation of more efficient appliances and fixtures. At these new rates, the average sewer bill would increase by \$2.23 per quarter or 1.6%. Carmen made a motion to adopt Resolution 2016-34A Establishing and Consolidating the Various Fees and Charges Imposed Pursuant to the Code of the Township. Chuck seconded the motion.

Joe Buonanno, 1606 Herron Lane, asked a number of questions related to how the Township determines sewer rates, which Jon and Rick answered.

The motion passed unanimously.

Marty asked Jon and Rick to work with the Goshen Fire Company and the other municipalities served by Goshen to propose an equitable funding formula for the Fire Company.

Consider Proposal for Millown Dam Annual Inspection

Carmen made a motion authorizing Gannett Fleming to conduct the annual Milltown Dam inspection for 2016 for \$3,090. Chuck seconded the motion. Mr. Buonanno asked whether this inspection was included in the existing contract that we have with Gannett Fleming and Rick responded that that was for last year's inspection. The motion passed unanimously.

Consider Recommendation to move the WEGO bank accounts to Wells Fargo

Chuck made a motion to authorize the WEGO Business Manager to move the WEGO Police Department bank accounts to Wells Fargo. Janet seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Consider replacement of Skid Steer

Carmen made a motion to purchase the Cat skid steer from Ransome Rental for \$48,061. Chuck seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Any Other Matter

Rick explained that the section of the proposed Paoli Pike Trail that would cut across the Goshen Friends' property was assessed for \$850. Janet made a motion authorizing Rick to offer Goshen Friends \$850 for an easement. Marty seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Senya noted that the Board has been invited to Dunkin' Donuts grand opening on Saturday, April 16th at 10am.

Senya distributed renderings created by the Futurists Committee of what East Goshen could look like before and after with lights.

Senya announced that Rick had been awarded the J. Larry Boling Excellence in Government Award by the Chester County Chamber of Business and Industry for his 47 years of exemplary service to the Township, the last 30 of which have been as Township Manager.

Approval of Minutes: The Board reviewed and corrected the minutes from the March 1, 2016 meeting. Carmen made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected. Chuck seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

The Board reviewed and corrected the minutes from the March 15, 2016 meeting. Marty made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected. Janet seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Treasurer's Report:

See attached Treasurer's Report for March 31, 2016. The Board reviewed the Treasurer's Report and the current invoices. Carmen moved to graciously 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. Chuck seconded. The Board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

Correspondence, Reports of Interest: The Board acknowledged receipt of the following:

- March 16, 2016 letter from the Rossmore Homeowners Association concerning swimming pools. Rick stated that the Planning Commission would take this letter under consideration as it contemplates changes to the Township Code related to swimming pool setbacks in Open Space Developments.
- March 7, 2016 letter from Catherine Wahn concerning traffic on Cornwallis Drive.

- March 27, 2016 letter from Roseanne Havird to Mark Miller thanking him for help with stormwater runoff problems around her home.
- February 25, 2016 letter from Aqua regarding the use of chloramine for water disinfection. Marty asked that it be posted to the website.
- March 18, 2016 letter from FEMA regarding new floodplain maps.

Public Comment:

Mr. Buonanno asked what the plan was for treating the Bow Tree Pond. Rick responded that the Township would continue to work with the existing vendor.

Carol Rennard, 405 N. Chester Road, stated that many of the eggs at the Egg Hunt had nothing inside them. She also stated that there's a homeless person living on the island in the Milltown Reservoir. Rick responded that that's a beaver.

Adjournment:

There being no further business, Chuck motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9.35 pm. Janet seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Jon Altshul
CFO

Attachment: *Treasurer's Report for March 31, 2016*

March 31, 2016

**TREASURER'S REPORT
2016 RECEIPTS AND BILLS**

GENERAL FUND

Real Estate Tax	\$1,060,509.86	Accounts Payable	\$183,260.41
Earned Income Tax	\$22,500.00	Electronic Pmts:	
Local Service Tax	\$500.00	Credit Card	\$7,602.43
Transfer Tax	\$0.00	Postage	\$0.00
<i>General Fund Interest Earned</i>	\$0.00	Debt Service	\$13,162.13
Total Other Revenue	\$381,565.78	Payroll	\$148,406.02
Total Receipts:	\$1,465,075.64	Total Expenditures:	\$352,430.99

STATE LIQUID FUELS FUND

Receipts	\$501,126.92		
<i>Interest Earned</i>	\$0.00		
Total State Liquid Fuels:	\$501,126.92	Expenditures:	\$0.00

SINKING FUND

Receipts	\$0.00	Accounts Payable	\$13,838.92
<i>Interest Earned</i>	\$5.00	<i>Credit Card</i>	\$0.00
Total Sinking Fund:	\$5.00	Total Expenditures:	\$13,838.92

TRANSPORTATION FUND

Receipts	\$0.00		
<i>Interest Earned</i>	\$0.00		
Total Sinking Fund:	\$0.00	Expenditures:	\$0.00

SEWER OPERATING FUND

Receipts	\$109,366.90	Accounts Payable	\$82,638.36
<i>Interest Earned</i>	\$0.00	<i>Debt Service</i>	\$31,892.13
Total Sewer:	\$109,366.90	<i>Credit Card</i>	\$0.00
		Total Expenditures:	\$114,530.49

REFUSE FUND

Receipts	\$26,770.74		
<i>Interest Earned</i>	\$0.00		
Total Refuse:	\$26,770.74	Expenditures:	\$14,847.21

SEWER SINKING FUND

Receipts	\$0.00		
<i>Interest Earned</i>	\$0.00		
Total Sewer Sinking Fund:	\$0.00	Expenditures:	\$5,000.00

OPERATING RESERVE FUND

Receipts	\$0.00		
<i>Interest Earned</i>	\$0.00		
Total Operating Reserve Fund:	\$0.00	Expenditures:	\$0.00

Events Fund

Receipts	\$0.00		
<i>Interest Earned</i>	\$0.00		
Total Events Fund:	\$0.00	Expenditures:	\$0.00