

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING  
1580 PAOLI PIKE  
TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 2017– 7:00 pm  
FINAL APPROVED MINUTES**

**Present:** Chairman Marty Shane, Vice Chairman Carmen Battavio, Supervisors Janet Emanuel, Chuck Proctor, Michael Lynch, Township Manager Rick Smith, Township CFO Jon Altshul, ABC Member Erich Meyer (Conservancy Board).

**Call to order & Pledge of Allegiance:**

Marty called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and asked Carolyn Comitta, State Representative for the 156<sup>th</sup> District, to lead the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Moment of Silence:**

Carmen called for a moment of silence to honor the troops who defend of our Nation and for those that have given the ultimate – their lives.

**Chairman’s Report:**

- a. Marty announced that the Board met in executive session prior to tonight’s meeting for a legal matter.
- b. Marty announced that the Board is making arrangements for a meeting with Sunoco on Tuesday, March 21, 2017. Time and location are TBD.
- c. Marty introduced State Representative Carolyn Comitta.

**Comments by State Representative Carolyn Comitta:** State Representative Comitta stated that she has enjoyed her work with the Board in her role as Mayor of West Chester and looks forward to working with the Board as State Representative. Carolyn also commented on the following:

- a. Her district office is located at 21 W. Washington Street, West Chester, PA (610) 696-4990 and it has plenty of parking
- b. She will hold office hours at the E. Goshen Township building, days and times TBD.
- c. She will have a column in the Township Newsletter.
- d. Some of the committees Carolyn serves on are the Environmental Resources Committee and Urban Affairs Committee.

*Joe Buonanno, Herron Lane*, asked Carolyn about the Extraction Tax. Carolyn stated that no legislation has been passed on this issue. Carolyn told Mr. Buonanno that she would be happy to discuss this item in more detail with him at another time.

**Emergency Services Report:**

**Goshen Fire Company:** Rick commented on the Goshen Fire Report. Marty commented that most of the ambulance calls come from the Bellingham and Wellington communities.

**New Business:**

- a. **Consider Approval of Subdivision for 1420 E. Strasburg Road:** Jim Brandolini presented the plans for this three lot subdivision, stating that the purchase price for the

homes would be in the mid \$600,000 range. Marty commented that great care must be taken for storm water management in this location. Carmen motioned to grant the requested waiver and approve the Preliminary/Final Subdivision and Land Development Plan for 1420 E. Strasburg Road, subdividing the lot into three single family residential lots as depicted on the plans dated May 17, 2016 and last revised on 2/20/2017, with the following conditions:

1. The Applicant shall address all remaining comments outlined in the Pennoni Review letter dated February 28, 2017 to the satisfaction of the Township engineer and staff prior to releasing the plans for recording.
2. The Applicant will follow all applicable Federal, State and Local laws and secure all proper permits prior to construction of the improvements depicted on the plans.
3. Execution of the Development and Financial Security Agreements prior to the plans being released for recording. The amount of such security shall be based upon construction cost estimates for the site improvements including landscaping, to be provided by the applicant, which will be reviewed and approved by the Township engineer.
4. Execution and recording of the Township storm water management Operation and Maintenance practice, and subject to review and approval by the Township solicitor.
5. The Applicant shall pay the Traffic Impact Fees of \$792.50 for the project, prior to the issuance of building permits for the new single family homes. This project will add two peak hour vehicle trips, 1 trip for each new lot.  $2 \times \$396.25 = \$792.50$ .
6. The Applicant shall prepare and record a grinder pump agreement for Lot 3 in accordance with Township practice.
7. The Applicant shall secure a PennDOT Highway Occupancy Permit and construct the improvements required by the permit prior to the issuance of building permits for the proposed single family homes.

Janet seconded. Janet stated that she has attended many of the meetings on this matter, and that she believes the storm water management concerns are being adequately addressed, and that she is comfortable with the current plan. Mr. Brandolini stated that he has been working with the Township staff and Pennoni since June of 2016 to address the easement and other matters of concern. Mr. Brandolini stated that he accepts all conditions.

*Jim Seeley, 47 Lochwood Lane*, stated that his property borders this proposed subdivision, and he does not want to see his dry backyard turned into a swamp. *Baxter Wellmon, 46 Lochwood Lane*, stated that he can attest to the current dry conditions of Mr. Seeley's property. Mr. Brandolini said that he would visit Mr. Seeley's property during the next significant rainfall to observe storm water conditions. Carmen added that he would like to be present for this meeting and asked to be notified when it is to take place. Mike asked if a Maintenance Bond would be required and Rick confirmed there would be one for the "public improvement". Mr. Sealy asked if rain gardens are a reliable form for storm water management. Mr. Brandolini stated that his company followed all recommended DEP guidelines for storm water management.

The Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

- b. **Consider Proposal to Collect Red-Bellied Turtles at the Milltown Reservoir:** Rick commented on this item. Mike asked about the Red Eared Slider Turtles that are mentioned in the proposal as well as the certification level of the organization that will be heading up this initiative. Janet stated that the Slider Turtles are an invasive turtle and are not protected. *Tom Casey, a West Goshen resident*, asked if the Red-Bellied Turtles are on the endangered list. Chuck said that the relocation will happen around mid-April. *Baxter Wellmon, 46 Lochwood Lane*, asked what the Township's plans are to relocate other wildlife. Marty stated that the Board's intention is to save wildlife and that they are relying on the advice of the expert biologists. *Mr. Wellmon* asked for clarification on the timing of the wildlife relocation and expressed his opinion that the proposal was lacking in procedures. Rick commented that all of the relocations may not be completed by April 30<sup>th</sup> as this work is dependent on the census results and weather conditions. Janet motioned to accept the proposal from Gannet Fleming in the amount of \$38,730 to trap and transfer Red-Bellied Turtles and to prepare and submit the Drawdown Permit. Carmen seconded. Mike asked to amend the motion to include certification from Dubois Environmental Consultants regarding where the Red-Bellied Turtles are relocated to. The Board voted unanimously in favor of the amended motion.
- c. **Consider Proposal to Provide Assistance for Dam Grants:** Rick discussed this item. Janet motioned to accept the February 17, 2017 proposal from Simone Collins and that Township staff, in conjunction with Simone Collins, provide the Board with a recommendation on which grants to apply for. Chuck seconded. The Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion. Carmen was not present for this vote.
- d. **Consider MVRs for WEGO:** Rick discussed this item. Chuck commented that the old MVRs are outdated, are lacking in picture quality, do not rotate, provide a limited view, and that not all police cars are currently equipped. Chuck also commented that it may be useful for detective cars to be supplied with the MVRs, not just the traffic and patrol cars. Marty thought that the financing of this purchase is a good idea. *Joe Buonanno, 1606 Herron Lane*, asked if body cameras were considered for purchase. Chuck stated that body cameras are not stable and do not provide the best pictures/videos. Marty stated that body cameras cannot be used during in-home investigations. Mike asked about the data storage. Rick and Carmen commented that the data storage capacity is adequate. Carmen also commented that he has first-hand knowledge of the poor quality in the pictures/videos of the old MVRs. Chuck motioned to authorize the Police Chief to purchase 15 new MVRs for \$89,220, which will be financed for five years at \$19,288.90 (APR 4.05%). Carmen seconded. *Tom Casey, a West Goshen resident*, commented that the Board needs to be concerned with storage capacity and how long files need to be maintained. Chuck said Department's current policy addressed the file storage time issue. The Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

- e. **Consider 2016 Deer Management Report:** Marty discussed this item noting that twenty nine deer were harvested in the Township open space areas and no significant incidents or complaints were reported to the Township during the hunting season.

**Any Other Matter:**

- a. **Consider Purchase of 8” Trailer Mounted Pump:** The Board discussed the bids received for a trailer mounted pump for emergencies at the sewer plant as well as bypass pumping when doing sewer repairs. The bids received were:

❖ Xylem	\$51,270.67
❖ United Rentals	\$63,870.00

Carmen motioned to purchase the pump from XYLEM for \$51,270.67. Chuck seconded. Chuck commented on the importance of this pump as a safeguard during catastrophic incidents. Mike agreed that this purchase is very prudent. The Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

**Public Comment:**

*Bernard Greenburg, 894 Jefferson Way,* asked if Sunoco had responded to Pennoni’s review letter. Rick said that Sunoco has indicated they will be submitting revised soil and erosion plans in the near future.

*Mr. Casey, a West Goshen resident,* stated that Sunoco has yet to secure all easements for the pipeline work to begin and wanted to know how that would affect permitting. Rick stated they were two separate issues and a representative for Sunoco has advised him that all of easements in East Goshen had acquired by Sunoco.

*Mr. Greenburg* asked if Sunoco is committed to installing both pipes. Marty and Carmen stated that Sunoco intends to install two pipes but they are not sure about the timing. Rick stated that Sunoco intends to give priority to the 20” pipe then follow up with the 16” pipe and that both pipes would be installed as part of this project. Marty stated that there are six work sites in E. Goshen that noise protection is of utmost concern.

*Joe Buonanno, 1606 Herron Lane,* asked if storm water runoff from the work sites will be monitored. Rick answered that the Township will monitor the sites to ensure that the soil and erosion measures are functioning, but the Township does not test the stormwater runoff for chemicals. Rick also stated that DEP has a list of approved drilling. Carmen commented that Bentonite which is a type of clay is used in the drilling process. Marty stated that the Sunoco permits are on the Township website. Rick further commented that open cutting will take place in front of the Giant grocery store on Boot Road.

*Eric Friedman, a Thornbury Township resident,* stated that the Sunoco response in Thornbury Township (Delaware County) is incomplete. Mr. Friedman wanted to stress the dangerous nature of the materials that would be transported in the Sunoco pipeline, and that an emergency evacuation plan needs to be developed immediately. Marty stated that emergency first responders have been trained and that all Township Ordinances will be enforced.

**Approval of Minutes:** The Board reviewed, corrected and approved the minutes from the February 21, 2017 Board meeting. Marty motioned to approve. Carmen seconded. The Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

**Treasurer’s Report:**

*See attached Treasurer's Report for March 2, 2017.* 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. Michael seconded. The Board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

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

- a. The Sunoco Station – 2016 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Progress Report
- b. The Act 14 Notice for the Brakman Property at 1420 East Strasburg Road

**Liaison Reports:** Janet reported on recent Planning Commission activity.

**Adjournment:**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Christina Rossetti Hartnett*  
*Recording Secretary*

Attachment: *Treasurer's Report for March 2, 2017*

March 2, 2017

**TREASURER'S REPORT  
2017 RECEIPTS AND BILLS**

**GENERAL FUND**

Real Estate Tax	\$214,744.60	Accounts Payable	\$479,428.93
Earned Income Tax	\$30,900.00	<b>Electronic Pmts:</b>	
Local Service Tax	\$4,200.00	Credit Card	\$4,377.92
Transfer Tax	\$0.00	Postage	\$0.00
<i>General Fund Interest Earned</i>	\$0.00	Debt Service	\$0.00
Total Other Revenue	\$140,678.66	Payroll	\$102,656.64
Total Receipts:	<b>\$390,523.26</b>	Total Expenditures:	<b>\$586,463.49</b>

**STATE LIQUID FUELS FUND**

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

**SINKING FUND**

Receipts	\$0.00	Accounts Payable	\$17,177.00
<i>Interest Earned</i>	\$0.00	Credit Card	\$0.00
Total Sinking Fund:	<b>\$0.00</b>	Total Expenditures:	<b>\$17,177.00</b>

**TRANSPORTATION FUND**

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

**SEWER OPERATING FUND**

Receipts	\$325,737.87	Accounts Payable	\$29,201.47
<i>Interest Earned</i>	\$0.00	Debt Service	\$0.00
Total Sewer:	<b>\$325,737.87</b>	Credit Card	\$0.00
		Total Expenditures:	<b>\$29,201.47</b>

**REFUSE FUND**

Receipts	\$108,162.69		
<i>Interest Earned</i>	\$0.00		
Total Refuse:	<b>\$108,162.69</b>	Expenditures:	<b>\$20,702.74</b>

**SEWER SINKING FUND**

Receipts	\$0.00		
<i>Interest Earned</i>	\$0.00		
Total Sewer Sinking Fund:	<b>\$0.00</b>	Expenditures:	<b>\$3,621.31</b>

**OPERATING RESERVE FUND**

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

**Events Fund**

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