

WRIGHTSTOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MEETING MAY 17, 2010

The Wrightstown Township Board of Supervisors met on Monday, May 17, 2010 in the Meeting Room of the Wrightstown Township Municipal Building, 2203 Second Street Pike, Wrightstown, Pa. Chair Chester S. Pogonowski called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M. Members present were Vice Chair Jane B. Magne, Treasurer Robert S. Lloyd, Engineer Mario Canales, Solicitor Susan Piette and Township Manager Joseph F. Pantano.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: On motion of Member Magne, seconded by Member Lloyd, minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 3, 2010 and Work Session Meeting of May 10, 2010 were approved with a minor spelling correction with all members voting approval.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: On motion of Member Magne, seconded by Member Lloyd, General Fund invoices in the amount of \$46,481.44; Building Fund payments in the amount of \$2,735.65; Open Space Loan payments in the amount of \$18,104.95; Cable Access Fund payments in the amount of \$650.00; Emergency Service Fund payments in the amount of \$10,276.54; Escrow Fund payments in the amount of \$7,941.63 were approved for payment. All voted in favor. On motion of member Magne, seconded by member Lloyd, Interfund transfers from General Fund to Payroll Fund in the amount of \$29,000. were approved by all members voting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Member Magne reminded residents of programs at The Village Library including hand-weight sessions, a scrabble club and family film nights. She encouraged residents to consider donating toward the proposed stained glass window installation for behind the dais in the Meeting Room. Ms. Magne announced a Community Yard Sale, planned by the Park & Recreation Board for Sunday, June 6, 2010 from 7 A.M. to 1 P. M. in the Township parking lot, 2203 Second Street Pike, Wrightstown.

She announced the 2010 Census was continuing as enumerators were going door-to-door beginning May 1, 2010 to record verbal answers to census forms not returned or received by residents, noting that residents should call the Township office if they are not visited in the near future.

Ms. Magne reported on the death of Aldenlee Spell who passed away on May 2, 2010. He had served the Township as a member of the Planning Commission and was Chair of the Board of Supervisors during the 1960's and 1970's.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Glenn Feiner, 968 Mill Creek Road, addressed the Board regarding chemical spraying done on the field next to his property. Solicitor Piette and Chair Pogonowski advised Mr. Feiner about the inability of township governments to control matters of farm-related issues.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: THE TRADING POST: Chair Pogonowski called the Conditional Use Hearing to order relating to the application of John McIntyre, 532 Durham Road, who introduced Larry Peseski, a representative of Coldwell Banker Realtors who spoke on behalf of the tenant, The Hair Salon. Solicitor Piette conducted the Hearing; all statements were recorded by a Blum-Moore Court Stenographer,

T-MOBILE CONDITIONAL USE AMENDMENT: A brief discussion focused on the Conditional Use Application of T-Mobile Northeast, LLC, who propose installation of a cell tower on a PECO pole located on Mill Creek Road, Wycombe. The amendment would permit a roadway access on an existing driveway over property owned by Sunrise Concrete, Mill Creek Road, Wycombe, Pa.,

On motion of Member Pogonowski, seconded by Member Magne, the Amendment was approved as presented. Member Lloyd abstained due to employment by Verizon, Inc., to avoid an appearance of conflict of interest.

MSA ORDINANCE: Solicitor Piette reviewed JMZO Ordinance #2010-01, Municipal Services Agriculture District Amendment. On motion of Member Lloyd, seconded by Member Magne, and approved by all members present, Solicitor Piette was directed to circulate the proposed document to Joint Planning Commission members for review and consideration. Planner/Consultant Judith Stern Goldstein indicated willingness to attend Planning Commission meetings for interpretation, if requested.

REPORTS: Engineer Canales distributed copies of their March and April, 2010 activities relating to projects in the Township.

Chair Pogonowski acknowledged receipt of the May Police Department report; the Code Department report for April, 2010; the Public Works/Road Department reports for March and April, 2010; the Central Bucks Ambulance Squad Report for March, 2010; and the Lingohocken Fire Company report for April, 2010. Also received were approved minutes of meetings of the Historical Commission for January through April, 2010, the Sunshine Act meeting held on March 8, 2010 and the Environmental Advisory Committee meeting held on March 22, 2010.

MANAGER'S REPORT: Manager Pantano distributed copies of leasing/financing rates for consideration of the purchase of a 2010 dump truck which will be purchased through US Municipal Supply. Solicitor Piette will submit information to DCED for review and approval and report to Manager Pantano.

NEW BUSINESS: Solicitor Piette was asked to investigate state statutes relating to farming and farm operations to determine the proximity to neighboring property lines when spraying activities are being conducted.

OTHER BUSINESS: Chair Pogonowski reminded residents that Tuesday, May 18th would be a Primary Election Day in Pennsylvania, urging residents to vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Michael Skwara reported to the Board that he may have been the farmer who dialogued with property owners at 968 Mill Creek Road regarding spraying of the fields which he recently planted.

Worthington Mill Road resident Robin Hoy addressed the Board regarding requirements of the Bucks County Foodshed Alliance, noting that Market rules do not forbid use of chemicals in growing foods offered for sale at the Farmer's Market but encourage minimal or no use of them.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned on motion of Member Lloyd, seconded by Member Magne. All voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph F. Pantano
Manager