

WRIGHTSTOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 7, 2008
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The Wrightstown Township Board of Supervisors met on Monday, March 17, 2008 in the Meeting Room of the Township Municipal Building, 2203 Second Street Pike, Wrightstown, PA. The Meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by Chair Chester S. Pogonowski. Also in attendance were Vice Chair Jane B. Magne, Member/Treasurer Robert S. Lloyd, Township Engineer Mario Canales, Township Solicitor Susan Piette and Township Administrator Eileen M. Bradley.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: On motion of Mr. Pogonowski, seconded by Mr. Lloyd, Minutes of the Meeting of March 3, 2008 were approved with corrections by a vote of two to zero, Ms. Magne abstaining due to her absence from the meeting. On motion of Mr. Lloyd, seconded by Ms. Magne and approved by all Members present, Minutes of the Work Session of March 10, 2008 were approved.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: On motion of Ms. Magne, seconded by Mr. Lloyd and approved by all Members present, Bills dated March 17, 2008 in the amount of \$106,374.01 were approved for payment. On motion of Ms. Magne, seconded by Mr. Lloyd and approved by all Members present, Escrow Bills dated March 17, 2008 in the amount of \$43,320.30 were approved for payment. Interfund transfers in the amount of \$751,962.21 were approved on motion of Ms. Magne, seconded by Mr. Lloyd and approved by all Members present.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Ms. Magne encouraged residents to attend a meeting scheduled for April 8, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. at the Township Municipal Building to discuss traffic issues related to proposed PADOT improvements to the Swamp Road Corridor.

Ms. Magne stated that Township and County Real Estate Tax Bills had been mailed to Township property owners during the week of February 24, 2008.

Ms. Magne also invited residents to submit names to the Township of residents who had served in any branch of the Armed Services for inclusion in the planned Township Veterans Memorial.

Mr. Pogonowski announced that the Jenta Minor Subdivision Final Plan had been continued to April 7 at the request of the Applicant.

Ms. Piette announced the death of Upper Makefield Township Employee Victoria Haug, stating that gifts in her memory could be sent to Upper Makefield Township designated for her sons' Educational Fund.

There was no public comment at this time.

REPORTS: Mrs. Robin Hoy of the Environmental Advisory Council (EAC) reported on the Smart Cities/ PA Clean Energy Campaign Program and encouraged residents to consider participating in purchasing energy from clean, renewable sources such as wind energy. The Township was eligible to receive a 1Kw photovoltaic system if 7% of residents or businesses signed up for renewable energy. 20 additional applicants were needed.

To promote additional applications, the EAC was sponsoring a presentation of the documentary *Kilowatt Ours* at the Village Library on April 14, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. New fluorescent light bulbs would be given to the first 10 families to attend and sign up for the program that evening.

Mr. Michael Hoy of the CSA Subcommittee of the EAC reported on CSA subscriptions for the Anchor Run Farm, which were available through March 31, 2008 and could be purchased for full or one-half shares for the season.

Mr. Pogonowski also accepted the following reports: Greenbelt Archery Club of Bucks County Report dated February 25, 2008; the Road Department Report for February 2008; the Engineer's Report for February, 2008; and the District Justice Report for February 2008, with fines of \$435.84.

ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS: Records Dissolution: Ms. Bradley stated that due to new financial software, old check stock required shredding. *On motion of Mr. Lloyd, seconded by Ms. Magne and approved by all Members present, Resolution #2008-028 was adopted, allowing and recording records dissolution under the guidelines of the Municipal Records Manual.*

PUBLIC HEARING: Cellco-Verizon Wireless Co-Location Conditional Use: Mr. Pogonowski opened the Cellco-Verizon Wireless Co-Location Conditional Use Hearing at 8:00 p.m. Appearing for the Applicant was Mr. Edward Wild, Esquire and Mr. Ken Farrell, engineer. Mr. Lloyd announced that he would abstain from all deliberation and voting due to a conflict of interest in that he

was presently employed by Verizon, a competitor of the Applicant. A stenographic record of the proceedings was taken.

Ms. Piette was directed to prepare a draft document of facts and possible conditions for the April 7 Meeting. The record was closed at 8:10 p.m.

Bucks County Foodshed Alliance at Chippewa Farm Use Permit:

Appearing for the Applicant was Mrs. Robin Hoy, President of the Alliance. The Applicant was requesting to conduct a weekly Farmer's Market on a temporary basis at Chippewa Farm, 2203 Second Street Pike, on Saturdays beginning May 24 through November 22, 2008 from 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Ms. Magne recused herself from deliberation and voting as she was a member of Board of the Alliance.

Proposed areas of use were the parking lot and adjacent field. Portable restroom facilities would be used; seasonal signs would be erected according to Ordinances; northern entrances to the parking lot would be blocked from access.

Mrs. Hoy stated that she would apply to PADOT for Tourist Oriented Directional Signage to be erected along Routes 413 and 232. There would be approximately 30 vendors weekly and 200+ persons patronize the Market each Saturday.

Mrs. Hoy also requested that the Alliance be granted permission to conduct a pre-season Market Event on Saturday, March 22, 2008 beginning at 7:30 a.m.

Mr. John Rasiej of Cedar Lane suggested the Township establish temporary use guidelines for all users of Township-owned facilities. Grounds should be protected in rainy seasons. Future applicants who are Township or non-Township residents should be charged accordingly. Mr. Lloyd noted that guidelines would be stated in writing in the final decision.

Mr. David Talton of Park Avenue asked about liability insurance. Ms. Bradley noted that the Township was already in receipt of a Certificate of Insurance in the appropriate form and amount.

Mr. Lloyd made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pogonowski, to approve the Temporary Use under the terms stated by the Wrightstown Planning Commission at their March 13, 2008 Meeting; and to

allow the Market Event on March 22, 2008. The motion passed two to zero, Ms. Magne abstaining.

ROADMASTER/ROAD FOREMAN: Ms. Bradley recommended that the 2006 Crack Sealing Program Maintenance Bond Release should be tabled until the outstanding punch list items had been resolved.

NEW BUSINESS: Zoning Amendment 2007-05: Accessory Landscape Contractor: Mr. David Talton asked if grandfathering of an existing landscape contractor use would be allowed. Mr. Pogonowski noted that if the use existed prior to the adoption of the Amendment by all Jointure members, the use could continue until the use or the owner changed. *On motion of Ms. Magne, seconded by Mr. Lloyd and approved by all Members present, Zoning Amendment #2007-05: Accessory Landscape Contractor was approved for advertising.*

Zoning Amendment 2006-02: Accessory Contractor or Trade Use: *On motion of Mr. Lloyd, seconded by Ms. Magne and approved by all Members present, Zoning Amendment #2006-02: Accessory Contractor or Trade Use was approved for advertising.*

ESCROW RELEASES: *On motion of Mr. Lloyd, seconded by Ms. Magne and approved by all Members present, Orleans/Matthews Ridge Escrow Release #2 was approved in the amount of \$799,521.50, leaving a balance of \$1,311,501.88 remaining in the Irrevocable Letter of Credit.*

On motion of Mr. Lloyd, seconded by Mr. Magne and approved by all Members present, Toll/Chapman Corner Release #1 in the amount of \$117,778.00, leaving a balance of \$3,752,584.27 remaining in the Irrevocable Letter of Credit.

There being no further business or comment, Mr. Lloyd made a motion, seconded by Ms. Magne, to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 p.m. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Eileen M. Bradley
Township Administrator

Res. #2008-028