

**WRIGHTSTOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 20, 2009**

The Wrightstown Township Board of Supervisors met on Monday, July 20, 2009 in the Meeting Room of the Township Municipal Building, 2203 Second Street Pike, Wrightstown, PA. The Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:32 p.m. by Chair Chester S. Pogonowski. Also in attendance were Vice Chair Jane B. Magne, Member/Treasurer Robert S. Lloyd, Township Solicitor Susan Piette, Township Engineer Mario Canales and Interim Township Manager David Nyman.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: *On motion* by Ms. Magne, seconded by Mr. Lloyd to approve the minutes of June 15, 2009 Regular meeting and the minutes of July 13, 2009 Work Session, amending the language regarding sewer for Lot #48 at Chapman Corner. With no additional comment, all voted in favor.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: *On motion* of Ms. Magne, seconded by Mr. Lloyd, to approve the Bills dated July 20, 2009 in the amount of \$165,838.55. With no additional comment, all voted in favor. **On motion** of Ms. Magne, seconded by Mr. Lloyd, to approve the Escrow Releases dated July 20, 2009 in the amount of \$17,813.05. With no additional comment, all voted in favor. **On motion** of Ms. Magne, seconded by Mr. Lloyd, to approve the Interfund Transfer dated July 20, 2009 from the General Fund to Payroll in the amount of \$15,000.00. With no additional comment, all voted in favor.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Wrightstown Township Library: Ms. Magne announced Reading to the Dogs, July 21st and July 30th, and Aesop's Fable Puppet Show, August 17th. Auditions for the 10th Renaissance Faire are July 23rd. Ms. Magne also reviewed the current hours of the Library and noted its new website - www.wrightstownlibrary.org

Farmers Market: Ms. Magne announced the 2009 Farmers Market continues to be open at the Township building each Saturday from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM.

Sweet Land: A play about Newtown by the Newtown Arts Company, featuring several local residents is scheduled for August 20 - 26 at the Newtown Theater.

Open Space Committee Meeting: Ms. Magne announced that the Open Space Committee will meet Thursday, July 23rd at 8:00 P.M.

Changes to the agenda: Susan Piette, not Terry Clemons is tonight's Solicitor.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: Ms. Susan Piette, Esq.

- A. Bucks County/Otter recycling agreement:** Ms. Piette highlighted a proposed agreement for sending our recyclables to Otter Recycling under a county-wide agreement. Following discussion, the item will be placed on the upcoming Work Session agenda and Art Feltes, Bucks County recycling coordinator, will be asked to attend.
- B. Chippewa Farm RFP:** Ms. Piette reviewed a draft RFP with the Board for their consideration. Mr. Pogonowski noted previous attempts to re-use this site. *On motion by Mr. Lloyd, seconded by Ms. Magne, to authorize the advertisement of the Chippewa Farm RFP in all possible venues, noting a due date of September 30, 2009. With no additional discussion, all voted in favor.*

ENGINEER'S REPORT: Mario Canales, P.E.

- A. Monthly Engineer's Report:** Report provided for Board review.
- B. Brownsburg Road - bid considerations:** Mr. Canales reviewed the bids opened July 10, 2009. Mr. Nyman shared possible funding sources from current fund balances and noted projects considered down the road. *On motion by Mr. Lloyd, seconded by Ms. Magne, to award the bid for the reconstruction of the entire length of Brownsburg Road in Wrightstown Township and Crest Drive to Miller & Sons Paving, Inc. at a cost of \$471,487.75. With no additional discussion, all voted in favor.*
- C. Warner Meadows - maintenance period consideration:** Mr. Canales updated the Board, noting that the basin reconstruction was 99% complete. Heritage Building Group has requested consideration with regard to the standard 18 month maintenance period. *On motion by Mr. Lloyd, seconded by Ms. Magne, to authorize the Solicitor to prepare the 18 month maintenance agreement for the basin only, accepting the other public improvements and establishing a cash escrow of \$20,000. With no additional discussion, all voted in favor.*

D. Chapman Corners - Pump & Haul extension request: Toll has requested an 8 month extension to the pump and haul agreement. *On motion by Mr. Lloyd, seconded by Ms. Magne, to authorize the manager to request an extension of eight (8) months for the pump & haul agreement for Chapman Corners. With no additional discussion, all voted in favor.*

SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS: None

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

A. Police Report: Chief Rick Pasqualini reviewed his June report noting 170 calls for service. He noted an incident regarding an uncovered quarry truck and stone damaging a windshield, acknowledging that his officers have been advised of the need to vigorously enforce Wrightstown's load covered ordinance. He further noted that recent truck inspections indicate that the vast majority of trucks in the area are well maintained.

B. Code/Building Report: In Board packets for review. Sixteen (16) permits were issued in June.

C. Road Report: In Board packets for review.

D. Lingohocken Fire Company Report: In Board packets for review. Mr. Pogonowski noted 17 fire calls and 0 EMS calls.

E. Jointure Solicitor's Report: In Board packets for review.

MANAGER'S REPORT: David R. Nyman

A. Work Session Webcasting update: Mr. Nyman noted that Webcasting will be broadcasting the July 27th and August 10th Work Sessions on a trial basis.

B. Szarko temporary waiver request: Joseph Szarko requested consideration of an excess of 350 sq. ft. of impervious surface at 786 Penns Park Road, due to increased driveway paving for a turn-around, indicating that additional stormwater measures could be implemented upon application for a patio or pool. *On motion by Mr. Lloyd, seconded by Ms. Magne, to authorize the Solicitor to prepare a Declaration postponing implementation of additional stormwater measures until a future building permit application and establishing the maximum impervious surface to notify any future owners. Mr. Scott Anderson, EAC Chair, suggested the Board should deny*

the request and require the implementation of worst case stormwater measures immediately. With no additional discussion, all voted in favor of the motion.

C. Residential sprinkler resolution consideration: Mr.

*Pogonowski noted the intent of this requirement was to provide for personal safety, not necessary protection of structures. Mr. Lloyd noted his concern of providing this as a mandate for all municipalities. **On motion** by Mr. Pogonowski, seconded by Ms. Magne, to adopt Resolution 2009-016, supporting implementation of regulations requiring residential sprinklers in new construction. With no additional discussion, all voted in favor.*

D. Summer Camp Program status: Mr. Nyman presented an update of the Summer Camp Program, noting the percentage of residents and non-residents participating.

E. 2009 Financial status review: Mr. Nyman shared year to date Profit and Loss statements for the Board's review.

Mr. Nyman requested a short Executive Session to discuss the manager search status.

PUBLIC HEARING:

A. Cellco/Verizon Conditional Use: After noting that this hearing was being continued from June 1, 2009, Mr. Pogonowski re-opened the hearing. Ms. Piette entered the Township's evidence into the record, noting that with the concurrence of the applicant's council, the video recording of the hearing would serve as the record unless a transcript from that recording was required. Crystal Fisher, Esq., council for the applicant, presented the applicants testimony with Mike Bollinger, P.E. and Paul Antola, RF Engineer, responding to questions from the Board. With no public comment, Mr. Pogonowski closed the hearing. Ms. Piette reviewed the proposed conditions of approval. **On motion** by Mr. Pogonowski, seconded by Ms. Magne, to authorize the Solicitor to formally prepare the Findings of Fact, Conclusions and Decision for consideration by the Board at the August 3, 2009 meeting. With no additional discussion, the motion was approved 2 - 0, with Mr. Lloyd abstaining due to his employment by Verizon.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURNMENT: *On motion by Mr. Lloyd, seconded by Ms. Magne, to adjourn into Executive Session at 9:40 p.m. All voted in favor.*

Respectfully submitted,

Date approved: August 3, 2009

David R. Nyman
Interim Township Manager