

WRIGHTSTOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

REGULAR MEETING MARCH 15, 2010

The Wrightstown Township Board of Supervisors met on Monday, March 15, 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. In attendance were Vice Chair Jane B. Magne, Member Robert S. Lloyd, Engineer Mario Canales, Solicitor Susan Piette and Township Manager Joseph F. Pantano.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

On a motion by Vice Chair Magne, seconded by Member Lloyd and approved by all members present, Minutes of the Meetings held on March 1, 2010 and March 8, 2010 were approved.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

On a motion by Vice Chair Magne, seconded by Member Lloyd and approved by all members present General Fund bills in the amount of \$672,353.43, Cable fund bills in the amount of \$59.95, Open Space Bond fund bills in the amount of \$3,021.62, and EMS fund bills in the amount of \$860.99 for a total of \$673,575.99 were approved. Member Pogonowski noted that there was a drawdown of the Letter of Credit for Orleans Home Builders in the amount of \$479,373.98 wired to the General Fund then transferred to their escrow account. Vice Chair Magne also noted that \$80,000.00 was part of the General Fund total due to the refund of an overpayment by Hanson Aggregates. A motion to approve the escrow list in the amount of \$13,992.65 was made by Vice Chair Magne, seconded by member Lloyd and approved unanimously. A motion to approve transfers in the amount of \$95,000.00 was made by Vice Chair Magne, seconded by Member Lloyd and approved unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Vice Chair Magne reported on activities at the Village Library. Bernie Cohen will host a workshop on currency from ancient civilization on Saturday April 10, 2010. This is for students from grade 5 through high school. Registration is required. Other activities the Library hosts are the Scrabble Club, Rug Hooking, Book Discussion and Hand Weight Exercise Group. On April 17, 2010-from 11:00am to 2:00pm there will be a free Child Expo held at Council Rock High School South. On March 27, 2010 the Wrightstown Park and Recreation Board will hold an Easter Egg Hunt from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm at the Chippewa Farm grounds. Rain date will be March 28th beginning at 1:00 pm.

Vice Chair Magne stated financial contributions are being received at the Township building for the proposed stained glass window installation in the Meeting Room of the Township building.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION:

On a motion by Vice Chair Magne, seconded by Member Lloyd and approved by all present Resolution 2010-08 was approved honoring Joel Rabinowitz for achieving the rank of Eagle Scout. Joel, in coordination with the Newtown Police, undertook a "Child Identification Program" which included children being fingerprinted, photographed, weighed and measured at the Wrightstown and Newtown Elementary Schools. In addition, parents were provided with a DNA identification kit for the children.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None at this time.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

A. Amendments to Ordinance # 212, On-lot Sewage Systems; New Ordinance # 283. On a motion by Vice Chair Magne, and seconded by Member Lloyd Ordinance #283 (Failing Septic Systems and other Regulations) was approved by all present.

B. T-Mobile CU Decision; Grange Site Cell Tower
Member Pogonowski open the hearing for the T-Mobile CU Decision. On a motion by Vice Chair Magne and seconded by Member Pogonowski to approve a T-Mobile cell tower silo which would incorporate antennas and equipment on the Middletown Grange property TMP# 53-012-057 was approved. Member Lloyd abstained from the vote because of possible conflict of interest.
Member Pogonowski closed the hearing.

C. ARCCA Projects.
Susan Piette discussed outstanding bills for ARCCA. Member Pogonowski stated that around \$51,000.00 is due the Township.

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Member Pogonowski read the Engineer's Report for January and February from Pickering Corts and Summerson.
Dave Dutko, Worthington Mill Road, expressed his concern about the detention basin on Rt. 413 on the Toll/Hibbs -tract not discharging as it should. Mr. Canales of PC&S said he and a representative of the Bucks County Conservation District would go to the site and evaluate it.

SUPERVISORS COMMENTS: None at this time.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

- A. Police Report
- B. Chief Pasquellini represented the Newtown Police Department. He noted that a new Traffic Unit was to begin a Traffic Safety Program in Wrightstown and Newtown areas.
- C. Code/Building Report for January and February

D. Road Report for February

E. Lingohocken Fire Company Report

Chief Jakubowski started a new recruiting program for the Fire Company. He also implemented a program which during weekdays the engine based at the Forest Grove substation (Engine 95), was moved to the Wrightstown Public Works Department, therefore reducing response time for calls in our area.

Member Pogonowski told residents that the ISCO program which is instrumental in reducing insurance rates in our Township will hold the next demonstration at Wrightstown Hunt on Easter Saturday April 3, 2010 in an attempt to further reduce the rating. Residents will be notified by mail. George Rowe sent the Fire Department Report for February.

F. CB Ambulance Report

MANAGER'S REPORT: Joseph Pantano

Review of Federal Cemetery Ordinance: The Township Planning Commission supported this Ordinance by a 6 to 1 vote. The Melski Tract was approved for subdivision and is under appeal. The Ordinance proposes to roll back to prior zoning.

Le Sheppard, a Wrightstown resident, commented on the Ordinance.

Member Pogonowski said that Upper Makefield still had to vote on advertising the Ordinance and the Jointure would meet to discuss it prior to our next meeting.

On a motion by Vice Chair Magne, seconded by Member Lloyd this decision was tabled for further discussion pending input from other Townships.

Review of MSAO Ordinance

Member Pogonowski asked to table this Ordinance since there was only -a review from the Bucks County Planning Commission. All members agree.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Le Sheppard would like the Jointure to work together on the Federal Cemetery Ordinance.

ADJOURNMENT:

Being no further business on a motion by Member Lloyd, seconded by Vice Chair Magne the Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph F Pantano
Secretary

