

Meeting Minutes of February 4, 2010
Board of Supervisors

Chairman McCaffrey called the Board of Supervisors meeting of February 4, 2010 to order at 7:47 p.m. and then led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call of the Board of Supervisors by Township Manager Rambo noted Supervisors McCaffrey, Lindborg and Obernier in attendance.

Recognition of Past Employees

Recognition of Paul Gainor as Fire Marshal for 30 years. The BoS commended Mr. Gainor and expressed appreciation for his services over the years. Mr. Gainor was presented with a plaque.

Acceptance of Minutes from Previous Meetings

January 4, 2010 organizational, January 4, 2010 and January 21, 2010. Supervisor Obernier motioned to approve all the minutes as presented. Vice-Chairman Lindborg seconded the motion. Board Members Obernier, Lindborg and McCaffrey voted aye.

Public Comments (individuals requesting to be on agenda)

Lori Petrie would like to discuss the budget and bills being paid. Ms. Petrie asked for an explanation of what T.J. Anderson does for the Township and asked about using different budget line numbers instead of using the miscellaneous category. Manager Rambo and Chairman McCaffrey briefly explained and discussion followed.

Correspondence/Communications Information to act upon

Jeff Grossman of Beaver Creek Road has forwarded correspondence to the Township volunteering his time to serve on the Historic Commission. Manager Rambo recommended that the BoS appoint Mr. Grossman. The Supervisors had an opportunity to meet with Mr. Grossman prior to the BoS meeting. Vice-Chairman Lindborg motioned to appoint Jeff Grossman to the Historic Commission. Chairman McCaffrey seconded the motion. Board Members Lindborg, McCaffrey, and Obernier voted aye.

The Township is in receipt of correspondence from the CCATO with regard to the upcoming Spring Convention scheduled for Thursday, March 11, 2010. Chairman McCaffrey noted he would attend.

Stephen A. Trego of Hurricane Hill Farm, LLC has forwarded the Township correspondence with regard to his interest in farming Township Open Space that will be obtained by the Township. The Township will obtain the Swinehart, Gable, and Cedar Knoll properties upon signing Phase I of the Pulte 55 + community. Pulte is currently addressing several items, it is anticipated they will get everything completed by May. The BoS will discuss uses of the open space property at a later date.

Correspondence/Communications Information to Note

The Township is in receipt of correspondence from Janiec Associates with regard to their payment of the Act 209 Impact Fee noted in the recent Opinion & Order that was issued. Manager Rambo stated Mr. Janiec noted in a letter that should the property require new land development that the Township would look at the impact fee to determine if additional funds would be required.

Ms. Betsy Barker has written to the Township commending Officer Williams for his assistance with her dogs. There were no comments.

The Township is in receipt of revised information with regard to the proposed Conservation Easements on the Baldwin and Chase properties. Manager Rambo noted that Mr. Baldwin is in receipt of the revised information. The Township will forward Mrs. Chase the updated Chase property information.

Old Business

The West Caln Township and West Brandywine Township Supervisors will be meeting to discuss ambulance service on Thursday, February 18, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. There were no comments.

The Codes Officer and Manager are in the process of reviewing the current fees for permits, reviews, etc. Manager Rambo is awaiting information from Dale Barnett.

The Manager is finalizing the gathering of information concerning the Gordon Tract on Route 322 as it pertains to the Bentley Communities Project and the letter from Karen Marshall, Heritage Preservation Coordinator. Manager Rambo has gathered information that has been forwarded to Hugh Redditt of the Township's Historical Commission. The Manager will meet with Mr. Redditt to find out what they want, to see what PHMC and Bentley have on file.

Discuss and approve purchase of computer systems from Dell. Manager Rambo explained he is in receipt of a quote from Dell for one server and seven desktop stations for \$4,060.97 for three years with a \$1 buyout at the end. Vice-Chairman Lindborg asked what has determined the need for the new equipment. Manager Rambo explained the Township's software runs on Windows 2000 and is no longer supported. The majority of files received by email cannot be opened. Chairman McCaffrey noted this was discussed at the last BoS meeting and residents voiced concern that the Township was purchasing outdated equipment and also that the person doing the Township's computer repair would benefit with this purchase. Since there was a two-man board at that meeting and one BoS member is involved in the computer work the decision to move forward with the purchase was tabled. Vice-Chairman Lindborg motioned to move forward with the purchase of the server and seven stations at a cost of \$4,060.97 per year for three years. Chairman McCaffrey seconded the motion. Board Members Lindborg and McCaffrey voted aye. Supervisor Obernier abstained.

Old Business from the Floor, Ordinances, and Resolutions.

None

New Business

Establishment of the Phase I public escrows for the Bentley Projects. Manager Rambo and Jim MacCombie are meeting with representatives of Bentley next week.

Recommendations of the Township Planning Commission. Manager Rambo noted the recommendations of the Planning Commission; there were none.

Discussions on the updated Non-Uniform Personnel Policy Manual to be adopted at the February 18, 2010 meeting. Manager Rambo explained this addresses hours; full time back to forty, the use of computers, Internet, and cell phones during working hours as requested.

Department heads are to submit newsletter articles to Linda Formica for the spring edition by February 19, 2010.

New Business from the Floor

Lorie Petri requested an update regarding the executive session requested for the Pension Review Committee. Manager Rambo noted he requested William Krempa of Krempa Associates to come in during the BoS February 18th public meeting.

New Business from the Board

Supervisor Obernier noted the electric deregulation that is going to occur and suggested the Manager look into developing a co-op for electric not only with other townships but also within our own Township to get a significant reduction in charges. Manager Rambo will contact the Chairman of the Manager's Association to see if they would consider this as a topic of discussion.

Public Comments (individuals not requesting to be on the agenda)

Paul Gainor commented that the flag is tattered at the Vietnam Veteran Memorial.

Open Issues Before the Township

The Township continues to seek volunteers to serve on the Historic Commission.

General Obligation Note (Adjustable Rate Bond for the Facility/Park Construction)

Interest rate for the week 2.55%. There were no comments.

Review and Payment of the bills.

Manager Rambo recommended that the BoS approve all bills, but a separate motion be brought up for OAC Network Solutions invoice. Vice-Chairman Lindborg motioned to pay the general fund bills except for OAC Network Solutions, seconded by Supervisor Obernier. Board members Lindborg, Obernier, and McCaffrey voted aye. Manager Rambo noted OAC's invoice at this time. Vice-Chairman Lindborg motioned to pay the OAC Network Solutions invoice, seconded by Chairman McCaffrey. Board Members Lindborg and McCaffrey voted aye. Supervisor Obernier abstained. Supervisor Obernier motioned to pay the solid waste fund bills. Vice-Chairman Lindborg seconded the motion. Board Members Obernier, Lindborg, and McCaffrey voted aye.

Paul Gainor suggested that OAC invoices be under the "contracted services" category in the budget. The BoS agreed about utilizing "miscellaneous" category less for the bills being paid.

Upcoming Meetings/Events

- Historic Commission, Monday, February 8, 2010 at 7:30 p.m.
- Parks and Recreation Board, Tuesday, February 9, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.
- Municipal Authority, Thursday, February 11, 2010 at 7:30 p.m.
- Board of Supervisors, Thursday, February 18, 2010 at 7:30 p.m.
- Open Space Review Board, Thursday, February 25, 2010 at 6:45 p.m.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board, Vice-Chairman Lindborg motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:22 pm, seconded by Supervisor Obernier. Board Members Lindborg, Obernier, and McCaffrey voted aye.

Ronald A. Rambo, Jr.

Township Manager/Secretary/Treasurer