

Meeting Minutes of February 1, 2007
Board of Supervisors

Chairman McCaffrey called the Board of Supervisors Meeting of February 1, 2007 to order at 7:30 p.m. Roll call of the Board of Supervisors (BoS) by the Township Manager noted Chairman McCaffrey and Vice-Chairman Carl S. Lindborg in attendance. Supervisor Josef G. Obernier, Sr. was absent. The following individuals were present to represent the various departments: Ronald A. Rambo, Jr. [Twp. Mgr./Sec./Treas.], Walter Werner [Chief of Police], Dale Barnett [Building Inspector/Codes Officer] and Thomas Eells [Director of Public Works].

Recognition of Employee

Both Chairman McCaffrey and Vice-Chairman Lindborg commended Sergeant John Coldren for his twenty-five years of service and presented him with a recognition plaque. The audience applauded.

Acceptance of Minutes from Previous Meetings

January 2, 2007 and January 18, 2007. Vice-Chairman Lindborg motioned to accept the Minutes. Chairman McCaffrey seconded the motion. Board Members Lindborg and McCaffrey voted aye.

Public Comments *Those individuals requesting to be on the agenda*

There were no Public Comments. Manager Rambo noted he might do a conference call to Supervisor Obernier should there be a need this evening for an official vote.

Correspondence/Communications *Information to act upon*

The Township is in receipt of the final version of the Decision and Order and Layout Exhibit for the proposed Pulte 55+ Community. Manager Rambo recommended that the BoS table this item until such time that they have had an opportunity to review the latest rendition of the Inter-Municipal Sewer Agreement. Vice-Chairman Lindborg motioned to table the Decision and Order. Chairman McCaffrey seconded the motion. Board Members Lindborg and McCaffrey voted aye.

The Township is in receipt of an Animal Control Agreement from the SPCA for 2007. Manager Rambo will request a new contract from the SPCA being we are already into the New Year.

The Township is in receipt of a revised Inter-Municipal Sewer Agreement for the proposed Pulte 55+ Project. Manager Rambo recommended that the Inter-Municipal Sewer Agreement be tabled, that the BoS review it and establish a joint meeting with the Municipal Authority. The BoS is welcome to forward their comments to the Manager. Vice-Chairman Lindborg motioned to table the Inter-Municipal Sewer Agreement. Chairman McCaffrey seconded the motion. Board Members Lindborg and McCaffrey voted aye.

Robert D. Smiley of Genterra has forwarded the Township a ninety-one day letter of extension for the rendering of a decision on their Brandywine Meadows Preliminary Subdivision Plan. They have recently submitted revised plans addressing the engineer's comments. Manager Rambo recommended that the BoS accept the extension. Vice-Chairman Lindborg motioned to accept the extension. Chairman McCaffrey seconded the motion. Board Members Lindborg and McCaffrey voted aye.

Scott Emerson of Swinehart Realty Associates, LP has forwarded the Township a letter of extension until Thursday, April 5, 2007 in which to render a decision on their Final Subdivision Plan. Jim MacCombie, Ross Unruh, John Good, Scott Emerson, and Manager Rambo have met to review the engineer's plan. Swinehart Realty is in the process of addressing the engineer's comments on the latest review letter for the final subdivision. McCaffrey noted that he has objected to this plan since they have not considered the Township Land Planner's recommendations. Manager Rambo stated that as a result of the Engineer's latest review they are down from 115 lots to 113 lots. The lot at the entryway has been removed as requested by the engineer. Chairman McCaffrey noted in light of their changes, he motioned to accept the extension. Vice-Chairman Lindborg seconded the motion. Board Members McCaffrey and Lindborg voted aye.

The Township is in receipt of information from the County Association of Township Officials with regard to the upcoming spring convention to be held on March 15, 2007 at the Inn at Chester Springs. Chairman McCaffrey and Vice-Chairman Lindborg will attend.

The Township is in receipt of a Grant Award from the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts in the amount of \$610.00 for signing, along with the 2005-2006 Final Narrative for signing. Vice-Chairman Lindborg motioned to sign the grant. Chairman McCaffrey seconded the motion. Board Members Lindborg and McCaffrey voted aye.

Correspondence/Communications *Information to Note*

John Snook has provided the Township with proposed zoning modifications to the Open Space Design Option for the Board's review. There were no comments.

Stan Stubbe has forwarded the Township proposed language to update and modify the Township's existing lighting ordinance requirements. Both Chairman McCaffrey and Vice-Chairman Lindborg noted they have problems with the proposed language for "residential" and suggested that Stan Stubbe give them another proposal.

The Township is in receipt of a letter of support from Representative Curt Schroder with regard to its Single Application for Assistance to construct a fire substation and municipal garage. Manager Rambo will contact Representative Schroder. Chairman McCaffrey suggested that they call it an Emergency 911 Center so that the name would have a bigger impact. Manager Rambo noted they are requesting fifty percent of what the costs are estimated to be, which is \$790,000.

The Township is in receipt of a draft resolution with regard to the supporting of the widening of the Route 30 By-Pass to address future traffic needs along with related correspondence. Manager Rambo noted that there is a meeting on March 15, 2007. They are looking at widening to three lanes from Route 100 through Route 340 and a truck lane coming from Route 340 to Reeceville. Discussion followed. Manager Rambo suggested that the BoS read the resolution. The resolution will be placed on the next BoS agenda for consideration.

Old Business

The Township Manager continues to finalize the Ordinance to enable the Technical Specifications for Traffic Control Signalization prepared by McMahon Associates, Inc. to be adopted. Manager Rambo noted that John Good has recommended that this be a stand alone ordinance.

The Township Engineer and Manager continue in the efforts to update the Township's ACT 537 Plan for presentation to the Board. There were no comments.

The Township Manager has met with representatives of the City of Coatesville with regard to the acquisition of the Conti Tract. Manager Rambo noted that he will talk with the Open Space Review Board with regard to getting appraisals and establishing priorities for acquisitions. Discussion ensued.

Old Business from the Floor

There was no Old Business from the Floor.

Old Business from the Board

There was no Old Business from the Board.

Ordinances and Resolutions

There were no Ordinances or Resolutions.

New Business

Township personnel have completed their review of the bids for the proposed Public Works Facility on Tuesday, January 16, 2007 and will recommend award of bids under separate cover. Manager Rambo will write a letter to the low bidders for each specific contract. Manager Rambo recommended that the BoS reject all plumbing bids and let Public Works do the plumbing. The Manager will request a fifteen-day extension until the next meeting to make a final recommendation. Vice-Chairman Lindborg motioned to reject all plumbing bids. Chairman McCaffrey seconded the motion. Board Members Lindborg and McCaffrey voted aye. Chairman McCaffrey motioned to request an extension of time in which to award the bid for further discussion on the general, mechanical, and the electrical contractors bids. Vice-Chairman Lindborg seconded the motion. Board Members McCaffrey and Lindborg voted aye.

Approval of the final release request for Steve Janiec "The Barn at Plank Farm Project." The release request has been reviewed by both Manager Rambo and Jim MacCombie and found satisfactory. Vice-Chairman Lindborg motioned to sign the final release request for the Barn at Plank Farm Project. Chairman McCaffrey seconded the motion. Board Members Lindborg and McCaffrey voted aye.

Recommendations of the Township Planning Commission. Manager Rambo noted that the Planning Commission recommended conditioned approval of the Schnatz and Rohrer Plan, that they establish escrows and address the engineers housekeeping items. Chairman McCaffrey motioned conditioned approval of the Schnatz and Rohrer Plan. Vice-Chairman Lindborg seconded the motion. Board Members McCaffrey and Lindborg voted aye.

The Township's 2006 financial audit is underway by Kimmel, Lorah & Associates. Manager Rambo noted that the audit has been completed in only three days. They will be giving the Township a draft of any findings. The tax collector audit was done during the general audit so the Township doesn't have to pay for a separate tax collector audit. Chairman McCaffrey suggested that the Manager bring this up at the next Manager's meeting for ways to save money.

New Business from the Floor

There was no New Business from the Floor.

New Business from the Board

Chairman McCaffrey noted that there are several items that will be coming up on the agenda, that he would like to postpone until Supervisor Obernier gets out of the hospital, e.g. sewage issues, etc. Vice-Chairman Lindborg concurred.

Public Comments

There were no Public Comments.

Open Issues Before the Township

The Township continues to seek volunteers to serve on the Building Appeals Board and the Parks and Recreation Board. There were no comments.

The Township has received information from Caln Township with regard to the traffic signal at the hospital/school entrance and it is under review by Township representatives. The Supervisor's were each given a copy of this information.

General Obligation Note (Adjustable Rate Loan based on Harrisburg Bond for the Facility/Park Construction) Interest rate for the week is 3.85%. Chairman McCaffrey expressed this was the best thing they did instead of taking a bond issue out.

Review and Payment of the bills.

Review and Payment of the General Fund (\$96,704.57), Liquid Fuel (\$3,636.33) and the Solid Waste Fund (\$5,313.22). Vice-Chairman Lindborg has reviewed the bills and motioned to approve them. Chairman McCaffrey seconded the motion. Board Members Lindborg and McCaffrey voted aye.

Upcoming Meetings/Events

- Zoning Hearing, Monday, February 5, 2007 at 7:30 p.m., property at 1803 Horseshoe Pike.
- Open Space Review Board, Thursday, February 8, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.
- Municipal Authority meeting, Thursday, February 8, 2007 at 7:30 p.m.
- Historic Commission meeting, Monday, February 12, 2007 at 7:30 p.m.
- Parks and Recreation Board, Tuesday, February 13, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.
- Board of Supervisors meeting, Thursday, February 15, 2007 at 7:30 p.m.
- Planning Commission meeting, Thursday, February 22, 2007 at 7:30 p.m.

Manager Rambo noted that the Zoning Hearing is regarding the property west of the B.L. Myers tract. They would like to establish a sales office as well as utilize the facility for the construction of trailers.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board, Vice-Chairman Lindborg motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:09 p.m. Chairman McCaffrey seconded the motion. Board Members Lindborg and McCaffrey voted aye.

Ronald A. Rambo, Jr.
Township Manager/Secretary/Treasurer