

**Meeting Minutes of June 21, 2007
Board of Supervisors**

Vice-Chairman Lindborg called the Board of Supervisors Meeting of June 21, 2007 to order at 7:30 p.m. Those who desired stood to Pledge Allegiance to the flag. Roll call of the Board of Supervisors (BoS) by Carl Lindborg noted Vice-Chairman Carl S. Lindborg and Supervisor Josef G. Obernier Sr. in attendance. Chairman Thomas J. McCaffrey Jr. had phoned and said he would be late because of work obligations. The following individuals were present to represent the various departments: Walter Werner [Chief of Police], Dale Barnett [Code and Zoning Officer], and Thomas Eells [Director of Public Works]. Manager Ronald A. Rambo, Jr. was away on vacation.

Acceptance of Minutes from Previous Meetings

May 3, 2007, May 17, 2007 and June 7, 2007. This item will be addressed later in the meeting when the entire Board is present.

Treasurer's Report *Month ending May*

- Treasurer's Report presented by Manager Rambo. There were no comments.

Capital Reserve Fund	\$1,444,921.94	Police Pension Fund.....	\$1,296,171.51
Developer Escrow Fund	\$647,097.01	Public Works Cap. Projects Fund	\$474,201.10
General Fund	\$118,862.05	Solid Waste & Recycling Fund.....	\$196,438.36
Non-Uniform Pension Fund	\$301,620.72	State Liquid Fuel Fund.....	\$166,042.48
Operating Reserve Fund.....	\$2,135.17		

Public Comments (individuals requesting to be on the agenda)

There were Public Comments.

Correspondence/Communications *Information to act upon*

The Township is in receipt of a Memorandum of Understanding from the CASD with regard to the Township providing law enforcement services as part of the Districts' Safe School Plan. Both Supervisor's Lindborg and Obernier have questions for Manager Rambo. Chief Werner would like to see the WBTPD be given a regular report from the school police. Supervisor Obernier suggested that the Township's insurance provider look at this Memorandum of Understanding. Chief Werner noted that this Memorandum was first signed back in 1996.

John Snook of the Brandywine Conservancy has provided the Township with proposed zoning amendments to the Open Space Design Option for review. There were no comments.

Correspondence/Communications *Information to Note*

The Township is in receipt of information from the County with regard to the Farmland Preservation Programs of the Commonwealth and County. Supervisor Lindborg noted that they would discuss this item along with the previous item with Manager Rambo at the next BoS meeting.

Reports of Departments *Month of May*

- Police Report presented by Chief Werner. There were no comments.

Total hours.....	1,439	Fatalities.....	0
Miles patrolled	7,953	Domestics.....	7
Complaints	395	Criminal arrest.....	8
Accidents.....	7	Non-traffic arrest.....	16
Injuries.....	0	Traffic arrests	89
- Public Works Department Report, presented by Tom Eells.

Total man-hours	762.75	Total Equipment hours	153
Miles traversed	2,504	Fuel gallons	1,001.8

Tom summarized the work completed throughout the month. Supervisor Obernier asked if the new garage facility is on schedule. Tom explained that the Public Works has nothing to do with it at this point that it is the general contractor.
- Buildings/Codes Department Report was presented by Dale Barnett. There were no comments.

Building Permits issued.....	28	CL Fees collected	\$1,650
Permit base fees collected	\$7,103.40	Inspections completed	49
Occupancy fees collected	\$350.00	Failed Inspections (FI) paid	3
U&O permits issued	8	FI Fees collected.....	\$180.00
U&O permits issued cursory	20	Total fees collected.....	\$9,283.40
Contractor Licenses (CL) issued ...	22		
- Fire Marshall Report was submitted by Paul Gainor and presented by Vice-Chairman Lindborg. There were no comments.

Permit inspections done	75	Hours on Permits	19
Other type inspections done	1	Hours on patrol.....	4.5
Code violations/Complaints	3	Hours on Ins/Complaints/Violations.....	6
- East Brandywine Fire Company Report presented by Scott Piersol as well as summarized the success of their first annual Kid’s Festival event that they held noting that they had approximately 500 kids attend along with parents, about 1,400 people total.

Fire calls dispatched into WBT	9
Medical Assist calls dispatched into WBT	21
Number of calls scratched	1
ALS	16
BLS.....	5
- Wagontown Fire Company Report presented by Todd Zeigler. There were no comments.

Total calls dispatched into WBT	1
Calls responded to into WBT	1
Number of calls scratched	0
- Martin’s Corner Fire Company Report presented by Vice-Chairman Lindborg.

Total calls dispatched into WBT	0
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Reports of Organizations, Boards and Commissions

John Vilcheck gave the report of the Historical Commission. Dr. Vilcheck referenced a barn on Manor Road that was demolished without a permit. Dr. Vilcheck noted that the Historical Commission asked if there were any pictures taken to document the wind damage and also asked if it was reported to the

homeowners insurance company. It was observed that the barn was intact a few years back; the historical commission has pictures and documents.

Dr. Vilcheck also noted that Mr. Redditt observed timbers being trucked away from the site and asked where the timbers were being trucked to and where they sold. A realtor contacted Dr. Vilcheck a year ago that stated that the property owner was looking at demolishing the barn at that point because they said that the site occupied was primary ground where housing could be placed. Dr. Vilcheck suggested that the realtor attend a Historical meeting as well as a Planning Commission meeting to discuss what they want to do. Supervisor Obernier asked if Dr. Vilcheck has written documentation from Mr. Redditt regarding what he saw. Dr. Vilcheck answered that he could get written documentation. Dr. Vilcheck noted that the Historical Commission disagreed with the findings that were in the Codes letter. Dale Barnett noted he inspected the property and there was a CAT bulldozer on site, in his opinion if that were being used to knock down that building, then he would have been crushed. The gentleman told Dale that he was looking for a way to take the barn down now and Dale told him he would need to get a permit before he acted on anything else. He has not yet obtained a permit; he is looking for an individual to take the barn down.

Dr. Vilcheck also commented about the Catania springhouse project that the CAT Brandywine students are going to work on. Dr. Vilcheck noted that they sent the information to their historical engineer and would like to have him come before the BoS the first or second meeting in July to offer his opinions. The impression that the Historical Commission got was that the BoS was generally in favor of this project, they would like the BoS to write the Township Manager to facilitate this project by whatever means he can in a safe fashion. Vice-Chairman Lindborg noted he was in favor of some type of restoration there, but thought that the BoS left it that the Historical Commission was going to come up with some kind of plan that is feasible and functional, there is also some question about funding it.

Dr. Vilcheck noted that they are in need of storage and display cabinets for their artifacts. Also they would like to have historic property reports completed for the Bentley properties, Gudal property, Brandywine Meadows Maes property, Pulte homes, Swinehart Realities, etc. Supervisor Obernier suggested that the Historical Commission use the space at the old police department across the street to store their artifacts.

Paula Kondracki gave the report of the Parks and Recreation Board noting their upcoming movie nights, concerts, and bus trips.

Anita Ferenz gave the report of the Planning Commission noting that the James Scott plan was rejected because they had not yet receive an extension of time that was due to run out on June 19th.

There was no report from the Open Space Review Board. Supervisor Obernier gave the report from the Municipal Authority noting there were two issues. One dealt with Monacy Manor; Jim MacCombie and Manager Rambo were hoping to exchange a right-of-way with two property owners. One of the two appears to not want to do that. The Municipal Authority is just going to use the original plan. The other issue was regarding the look of the building; nobody on the Municipal Authority Board liked the look of the building.

Old Business

The Manager is continuing talks with the Henderson's of Horseshoe Pike and Manor Road with regard to the purchase of development rights. There were no comments.

Discussions with regard to the purchase of the City of Coatesville Property based on the appraisals that are on hand. Vice-Chairman Lindborg noted that the Township had applied for two grants for the purchase of the property. The BoS will see if grants will be given, how the township residents would benefit, and if this is a key property before making any decisions. The property can't be subdivided if it is obtained through grant money. Supervisor Obernier noted that the City of Coatesville would like the middle of the three appraisals that were obtained. The BoS will discuss this at a future meeting.

Old Business from the Floor

Joan Levenite of 224 Hibernia Road asked if a four way stop sign could be erected at Hibernia and Cedar Knoll Road and also noted that people speed along that road. Tom Eells noted that this request has been made to PennDot in the past and PennDot cut down trees. Vice-Chairman Lindborg will ask Manager Rambo to write another letter and see if they will reconsider a stop sign there. Chief Werner will have the police department look into people speeding in that area. Supervisor Obernier agreed for the Manager to write another letter to PennDot as well.

Ms. Levenite asked if there was a weed ordinance. Vice-Chairman Lindborg answered yes, if you have a problem call the Township and give them your name.

Dr. Vilcheck noted regarding the Gudal plan that the early application identified by the architect says that there is no historic property on the site, which is incorrect. Dr. Vilcheck also noted there is a conflict regarding the silt fence.

At this time it was noted that Chairman McCaffrey arrived at the meeting. The BoS then discussed the purchase of the Conti property that is owned by the City of Coatesville. The BoS noted that they didn't want to spend everyone's money for the purchase of one property. The grants are the key to purchase this property.

There was no action taken on the meeting minutes earlier in the meeting so the BoS revisited this now that Chairman McCaffrey is in attendance. Vice-Chairman Lindborg motioned to accept the meeting minutes of May 3, 2007 and May 17, 2007. Supervisor Obernier seconded the motion. Board Members Lindborg, Obernier and McCaffrey voted aye.

Chairman McCaffrey apologized for being late noting that it was work related and couldn't be helped.

Old Business from the Board

There was no Old Business from the Board.

Ordinances and Resolutions

There were no Ordinances and Resolutions.

New Business

The summer edition of the newsletter is slated for mailing the week of June 25, 2007. There were no comments.

New Business from the Floor

Vera Barnes of 480 Hibernia Road complained that people are speeding along Hibernia Road. Chief Werner asked is if he had permission for the police to sit in her driveway to watch the traffic along there and Vera answered that she would rather they not use her driveway. Chairman McCaffrey explained that the Township police are not allowed to use radar the way that the state police does. Chief Werner noted that the way their system works, they need site distance.

Dr. Vilcheck had comments regarding the CASD Police and utilizing the already trained area Township Police. Chairman McCaffrey noted that when CASD first started the police force, they didn't want the bad news that comes from an unbiased reporting of things. He feels that a citizen in this Township should have the right to go to their local police department if they have a problem in one of the schools and they don't feel that the school police have handled it properly. Supervisor Obernier read out loud a section of the CASD Memorandum of Understanding noting that his understanding is that the CASD Police are the primary police. Discussion followed.

Dr. Vilcheck suggested that the Township provide curbside pick-up service for brush removal to the residents. Tom Eells explained that he does not have the manpower to provide curbside service for brush removal and noted that the phone book has listings of people that are in the tree removal and brush cleanup business. Chairman McCaffrey noted that residents might possibly be willing to pay a fee for the service. Vice-Chairman Lindborg noted the County has a composting program if people are interested in composting their yard waste.

Jesse Edwards of Manor Road asked if the Township gets credit for recycling. Chairman McCaffrey and Vice-Chairman Lindborg explained that the Township gets paid for recycling which helps offset the cost of trash collection. Tom Eells noted that the big savings is that it is not going into the landfill, which saves on tipping fees.

Vera Barnes asked if fireworks are permitted in the Township. Chairman McCaffrey explained that you would need to get a permit. Discussion followed. Chairman McCaffrey suggested that they call the police to report their neighbor for illegal fireworks.

Joan Thompson asked for an update with regard to the traffic signal at the hospital/school entrance. Supervisor Obernier explained where it stands right now is that WBT sent its lighting specifications to Caln and they are in the process of reviewing them.

New Business from the Board

There was no New Business from the Board.

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

Open Issues Before the Township

The Township has received information from Caln Township with regard to the traffic signal at the hospital/school entrance and has provided them with the WBT Signal specifications for review. There were no comments.

The Manager and Township Engineer continue in their efforts of reviewing and updating the Township's Act 537 Plan. There were no comments.

The Manager and Supervisors are in the process of updating the Township's Non-Uniform Personnel Policy Manual. There were no comments.

General Obligation Note (Adjustable Rate Loan based on Harrisburg Bond for the Facility/Park Construction) Interest rate for the week is 4.26 %.

Review and Payment of the bills.

There was no payment of bills.

Upcoming Meetings/Events

Chairman McCaffrey noted the upcoming Meeting/Events. There were no comments.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board, Supervisor Obernier motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m. Vice-Chairman Lindborg seconded the motion. Board Members Obernier, Lindborg and McCaffrey voted aye.

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