

Meeting Minutes of February 7, 2008 Board of Supervisors

Chairman Lindborg called the Board of Supervisors meeting of February 7, 2008 to order at 7:30 p.m. and then led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call of the Board of Supervisors (BoS) by Manager Rambo noted Chairman Carl S. Lindborg and Vice-Chairman Josef G. Obernier, Sr., in attendance. Supervisor Thomas J. McCaffrey arrived at 7:42. 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 [Codes/Zoning Officer] and Thomas Eells [Director of Public Works].

Acceptance of Minutes from Previous Meetings

December 6, 2007, December 20, 2007, January 7, 2008r, January 7, 2008 and January 17, 2008. The minutes were addressed during New Business; Kimmel, Lorah & Associates requested that the minutes be approved for their annual audit. Supervisor McCaffrey motioned to approve the minutes. Vice-Chairman Obernier seconded the motion. Board Members McCaffrey, Obernier, and Lindborg voted aye.

Public Comments (individuals requesting to be on agenda)

William Krempa of Krempa Associates was in attendance to talk to the Board with regard to modifying the Township's Uniform Pension Plan investments as suggested by the Pension Review Committee. Mr. Krempa gave a brief explanation of his recommendation and noted that about 42% of the portfolio is in a very conservative allocation. The Pension Review Committee suggested that 20% of the portfolio be moved to higher yielding funds. Manager Rambo noted that the Pension Review Committee met with Mr. Krempa twice in January and as a result of their last meeting it is the review committee board's recommendation that they proceed with the investment company's recommendation.

Vice-Chairman Obernier asked if Supervisor McCaffrey was in attendance at those meetings. Manager Rambo answered no, Supervisor McCaffrey didn't attend either of the two meetings. Vice-Chairman Obernier stated he was concerned when Mr. Krempa mentioned "junk bonds" and asked for a definition of junk bonds. Mr. Krempa noted a junk bond is a bond that is from a quality standpoint something lesser than grade C. Vice-Chairman Obernier asked if any of the funds held before this change, are any in something less than a grade B. Mr. Krempa answered no, what is currently in the portfolio is triple A, double A, or single A ratings; very conservative, very high quality bonds. Vice-Chairman Obernier asked if all the changes are in that same category of triple, double or single A. Mr. Krempa answered no, they requested change would include triple B and some C rated bonds, the majority would be double B rated bonds. Vice-Chairman Obernier asked who would be responsible to make up the difference if the police pension fund is under funded. Mr. Krempa stated that the way the contract is written, the Township would make up the difference.

Currently there is enough cash in the portfolio to cover 15 years of expected benefits for the current recipients. One of the suggestions he made was to actually allocate some of those dollars as the market is underperforming, over the last few years they have taken money from various places as they did well, they took the profits and put them into the cash account to reallocate it into the stock and variable accounts.

Chairman Lindborg asked how the Township would benefit by doing this. Mr. Krempa answered they became the asset account manager in 2002 and that he was not privy to any information of the prior account manager. What came to Mr. Krempa's knowledge last year was although they were outperforming expectation; they weren't eating away any of the prior asset account manager's underperformance. The concern that came up was that they could do better by changing some of the asset mixes by moving 20% of the fixed income part of the portfolio, he is looking at what happened prior to 2002 and eating away at those losses and look at the future and how the Township could make more money by taking minimal risk on a small portion of the portfolio. Vice-Chairman Obernier asked the percentage of the portfolio. Mr. Krempa answered 12% of the total. Vice-Chairman Obernier asked when Mr. Krempa defined the B and C ratings, he said they were riskier and asked Mr. Krempa for an explanation of riskier. Mr. Krempa gave a brief explanation.

Vice-Chairman Obernier asked how much more profit would be generated on this C level bond as apposed to a similar dollar amount of triple A bond. Mr. Krempa answered 4 times more. Vice-Chairman Obernier reiterated that Mr. Krempa earlier said that the majority of the funds that the Township has are in triple, double, and single A bonds and that they are yielding around 4%, if this were in C rated bonds would the Township be getting 12%. Mr. Krempa answered yes, if this were only C rated bonds. Vice-Chairman Obernier voiced concern that the risk with the C rated bonds may not be repaid on time, or you could take a lost on that and would not be paid at all. Mr. Krempa answered that is correct.

Supervisor McCaffrey asked Mr. Krempa if he would characterize the change as becoming less conservative. Mr. Krempa stated yes, they are proposing to take 20% of the fixed income allocation (12% of the total allocation) from the double, triple, and single A rated and double B rated bonds. What they are suggesting is going anywhere from double to triple B rated bonds, down to C bonds, just from the 20%, the rest of it will be left where it is. There is a wide range of bonds within the portfolio, some are highly rated and some are not. Supervisor McCaffrey asked if there is a fee for putting it in there or taking it back out. Mr. Krempa answered no.

Mr. Krempa explained that if you buy into high yield funds now when they are down, high yield did very poorly last year. If the high quality did well and the high yield did poor, lets take the profit here and put it into the high yield. Vice-Chairman Obernier stated if the high yield continues to do poorly in the next two or three years, then the Township will do poorly. Mr. Krempa stated that is exactly correct. Vice-Chairman Obernier noted that if they continue to do poorly, then the money that the Township puts into this is not anywhere near going to have the return that it could have. Mr. Krempa noted over the long period that is correct. One of the suggestions that he made in the proposal is to revisit the portfolio, if something is underperforming far beyond what they expect, then we would make changes. Vice-Chairman Obernier stated the changes are made on a quarterly basis. Mr. Krempa noted it is reviewed every forth month. In the past Mr. Krempa noted he has called the Manager to move something into another fund when it was not performing well.

Supervisor McCaffrey noted that this is not his money to experiment with, this is the people's tax money that has been saved up over time and allocated to pension. Chairman Lindborg asked what perpetuated this proposal and asked if there is a long-range problem. Mr. Krempa explained that as the fund is going

up, the Township should be taking the profits and investing them, as history tells them that during a recessionary period, to buy into high yield funds now when they are down.

Vice-Chairman Obernier noted that unfortunately they get notice on a yearly basis from the state, when things go down, the Township has to put more money into it every year. He didn't see the benefit to the Township of taking that level of risk. Once every two to three years the police union wants to have an actuary study to show that the elements of the pension plan are fully funded. As of today, including the MMO, which really got big, is fully funded. There is no real need to take exorbitant risk. Supervisor McCaffrey felt that it is not to take an exorbitant risk, the idea is that the MMO is required because the pension fund when they say is "funded" is because they are estimated what the payout is going to be in the future and how much money it should have accumulated by this point in time. Supervisor McCaffrey asked Manager Rambo if the pension fund is earning more money than projected, then is the community's contribution greater or lesser if the fund is making more money. Manager Rambo stated at some point if the fund makes more the MMO could go down. Supervisor McCaffrey noted that the BoS keeps some control over the benefits that are being allocated by this fund. As it earns more money people who are participating in it come in and say, since we are doing so well, than other benefits should be given to them. Now you have to have an increasing return to make up for the added benefits. Manager Rambo noted that is why, at this last contract talks, the Township didn't award any future benefits because the plan wouldn't support their request.

Supervisor McCaffrey would like to see a very conservative projection as to what the return is going to be but a slightly more aggressive investment policy to try and exceed the projected. Manager Rambo explained he set up a meeting with Tom Anderson and Bill Krempa and had Tom explain to Bill what happened in the past regarding the previous people that worked with investments and how the Township became under funded and the MMO of the municipality had to go up. This year they are at \$120,000 just for the police plan. If they can get the plan to perform better then it is possible that the MMO number will start to go down. Vice-Chairman Obernier stated if you make more risky investments. Manager Rambo answered that is the only way the Township is going to do it. That is why they are only looking at 12% of what they have been investing, that is only the earned funds to put in there.

Chairman Lindborg suggested that they stay away from the C bonds. Supervisor McCaffrey noted that at some point you have to buy into a down turn. If you consider that things will turn around and invest into secure companies, then you have the ability to make a bigger gain and didn't feel that the proposed mix of conservative bonds that include some C's are a bad idea. Supervisor McCaffrey noted that the Township hired Mr. Krempa to manage the pension and it sounds like they should follow his recommendation from a logical point of view. Manager Rambo suggested they only go with triple B, double B, and B, this will still perform better to try and make up from previous investments that didn't perform well. Mr. Krempa answered yes, there are three primary classes of fixed income, there is something in the center called broad market that would include a piece of all of it. He could limit the portfolio with nothing less than double C. Both Chairman Lindborg and Supervisor McCaffrey were okay with the abovementioned recommendation. Supervisor McCaffrey motioned to invest into a more aggressive broad market as noted above. Chairman Lindborg seconded the motion. Board Members McCaffrey and Lindborg voted aye. Vice-Chairman Obernier voted nay.

Correspondence/Communications *Information to act upon*

Andy Eberwein of E. B. Walsh & Associates, Inc. has forwarded the Township a waiver request for the length of a cul-de-sac for the Brandywine Manor Project (Gordon Eck Property). Manager Rambo noted that the Planning Commission has recommended this request be tabled for further discussion at another date. Supervisor McCaffrey motioned to table the waiver request. Vice-Chairman Obernier seconded the motion. Board Members McCaffrey, Obernier, and Lindborg voted aye.

The Township is in receipt of the 2008-2010 Police Contract for signing. Manager Rambo recommended that the BoS sign the police contract. Supervisor McCaffrey motioned to sign the contract. Vice-Chairman Obernier seconded the motion. Board Members McCaffrey, Obernier, and Lindborg voted aye. Chairman Lindborg requested a motion to also sign resolution #03-08, modifications to the Township's Medical Expense Reimbursement Plan, which is part of the police Contract.

The Township is in receipt of the DEP Grant Agreement documents for signing with regard to a recycling grant that has been awarded to the Township in the amount of \$207,063.00. Manager Rambo noted this grant application was submitted in October 2006, we received notification in December and just received the paperwork for it. The grant award is for the purchase of an articulated loader as well as leaf turning equipment that will fit onto the bucket of the loader. This will be used to turn the leaves that are hauled to Vollmecke farm to assist in making compost. This grant covers 90% of the cost. The equipment would be purchased and then reimbursed through the grant. Vice-Chairman Obernier asked if the cost of the loan is in the budget. Manager Rambo answered no; it is something the Township has to pursue. A loan would be required to purchase the equipment at a fixed rate of 4.15% for a six-month period. Vice-Chairman Obernier noted that the cost for the loan would be \$5,000. Manager Rambo noted that money would come from the solid waste reserves since this is a piece of equipment that is going to be utilized for recycling. By the end of the year there will be approximately \$40,000 in the solid waste reserves. Supervisor McCaffrey asked when you have a grant and there is a momentary need for capitol to borrow from their own capital reserves and then replace it, they could avoid the fee from the interest on the loan. Manager Rambo stated you could if you had the reserves to borrow from, but the Township doesn't have any. Manager Rambo stated the majority of the money is in the Open Space reserve fund and can't be used. Manager Rambo recommended that the BoS move forward, sign the paperwork to send to the state so that the Township can pursue a loan to get additional equipment to be utilized for recycling which also has other uses. Supervisor McCaffrey motioned to accept the grant award. Vice-Chairman Obernier seconded the motion. Board Members McCaffrey, Obernier, and Lindborg voted aye.

The Board of Supervisors is in receipt of an invitation from the East Brandywine Fire Company to attend their annual banquet on Saturday, March 8, 2008. Both Chairman Lindborg and Vice-Chairman Obernier will be away and will not be able to attend. Supervisor McCaffrey will let Manager Rambo know.

John Amenta from the Historic Commission and Pattie Barry from the Parks and Recreation Board have forwarded the Township their letters of resignation. Manager Rambo recommended that the BoS accept their resignation letters and noted that he would order plaques for each of them. Supervisor McCaffrey motioned to accept their resignation letters. Vice-Chairman Obernier seconded the motion. Board Members McCaffrey, Obernier, and Lindborg voted aye.

Kevin Anderson of the Brandywine Conservancy has forwarded the Township information with regard to the appraisals that have taken place on the Thornbury Property. Mr. Cassels noted that he was in attendance at the October BoS meeting to introduce the project and recommended that the BoS consider paying 62% of an additional appraisal required for the property. The appraisal was completed in December 2007 and Mr. Anderson came back into the BoS December meeting to talk with the Board. Originally they had noted the 62% would be based on an appraisal of \$1,000. It has become higher than that, the new request to is to cover the work for the appraisal, which was \$2,000. Manager Rambo noted that 62% (12.7 acres) of the property is in West Brandywine Township and 38% of the property is in East Brandywine Township.

Mr. Anderson gave a brief description of the property as delineated on the map and noted the historic structures. Manager Rambo asked if the Brandywine Conservancy is still considering monetary support for the preservation of the historical structures. Mr. Anderson answered no; they would not be putting any money into maintenance or upkeep of the structure, this would be the responsibility of the landowner.

Supervisor McCaffrey explained for “demolition by neglect” all you have to do is have someone steal some of the windows; with no money or effort to have these things preserved they slowly fall apart and are a danger, so people tear them down. Mr. Anderson stated that is always an issue with historic preservation easements, one that they are not going to pretend they can address. Their real interest here is for the conservation easement for the property. They are able to accomplish some historic elements. The Thornbury’s know the limitations and are willing to use the proceeds from the sale of the easements to do a separate façade restriction with the Preservation Alliance of Greater Philadelphia.

Chairman Lindborg asked what the benefit would be to West Brandywine Township. Mr. Anderson noted the scenic value and that the Thornbury’s are willing to grant a trail easement through the trees. The trees are providing a tributary buffer to the Beaver Creek, which traverses the property. The neighbor to the northeast is also interested in doing an easement; he has a little bit of acreage in West Brandywine Township next to Applecross. To the west on the Applecross property is an area that the Township is making them leave as open space. Mr. Anderson outlined the total area that included the bigger picture on the map. Dialog continued regarding the benefits to the Township to support the preservation of the Thornbury property.

Chairman Lindborg felt that the scenic corridor and natural resources area can’t be developed anyway so why should the Township consider it and didn’t feel that it would be a benefit to the Township. Supervisor McCaffrey felt that to do this based on the number of acres for the site, you would end up subsidizing some of the pieces that the Township has no control over and will not benefit from. Manager Rambo recommended that they just look at the developable acreage. John Cassels noted that was the Open Space Review Board’s recommendation as well.

John explained this has been a learning experience for the Open Space Review Board. The Thornbury property is not a priority, partly because of the size, partly because they didn’t consider both pieces in the prioritization. It tells them to stick with their priorities plan and find things that are valuable to the Township. Supervisor McCaffrey expressed that it would be nice if there were a way to establish the trail that was talked about. The other part would be to participate on developable land and see what it would come out to. Lets see what could be done. Manager Rambo stated that this could be the start of pursuing the property to the south, the Smith and Conquest, from the Caln Meeting House and Hatfield intersection down about 500 feet within the Township.

If they are to move forward they only agree to pay the portion amount of the second appraisal that they agreed to up to the amount they also agreed to between \$1,000 and \$1,5000 at 62%. And to further suggest that the County Agricultural people give up to \$12,000 per acre and offer no more than that and let them take the write off of \$3,000. Only pay for the developable ground but put the easement on the entire tract. Even though it is not a priority property, it starts preserving the southeast corridor of the Township.

Manager Rambo questioned what the benefit would be to the Township to pay for it and then turn it over to the Conservancy to oversee. Mr. Anderson answered they have many...(in audible). The final consensus of the BoS was to keep the door open on this and Manager Rambo will prepare verbiage for

submission to the Brandywine Conservancy that they can take back to the Thornbury's. Supervisor McCaffrey thinks it is precedent for people in the future; there should be a feeling for anyone that is thinking about having their property developed. There is an open door at the Township with the potential that they could be granted some money for easements on the property. Supervisor McCaffrey motioned for Manager Rambo to forward something to Kevin for presentation to the Thornbury's regarding the discussion this evening only for the developable land. Supervisor McCaffrey noted that they express an interest but can't agree to the appraisal for the entire property and also noted he would like the trail to be expressed as an equestrian trail and not a walking trail. Payment of the agreed appraisal was approved. Vice-Chairman Obernier seconded the motion. Board Members McCaffrey, Obernier, and Lindborg voted aye.

The Board of Supervisors to consider becoming a client of Municibid, a Municipal Website Auction Service that is just for government entities to sell excess equipment, etc. Manager Rambo would like to join this organization at a cost of \$200 per year in addition to the paper advertisement. Supervisor McCaffrey motioned in favor to join Municibid. Vice-Chairman Obernier seconded the motion. Board Members McCaffrey, Obernier, and Lindborg voted aye.

George Harlan of Harlan Corporation has forwarded the Township a 90-day letter of extension for his Brandywine Manor Preliminary Subdivision Plan (Eck property). Manager Rambo noted they are currently working on addressing the Township Engineer's comments. It is the recommendation of the Planning Commission to accept the extension. Chairman Lindborg would like a letter from the engineer concurring that the applicant is making a reasonable effort within a reasonable time frame to address the issues. Manager Rambo read the letter he received from John Good, Esquire out loud that is regarding extensions of time. Supervisor McCaffrey expressed that same solicitor told him if they change lot lines, etc., and have major modifications, it is not the same plan anymore and should be resubmitted. Manager Rambo will ask Jim MacCombie to provide a letter stating that the applicant is addressing comments. Supervisor McCaffrey motioned to accept the letter of extension. Vice-Chairman Obernier seconded the motion. Board Members McCaffrey, Obernier, and Lindborg voted aye.

Robert D. Smiley of GenTerra Corporation has forwarded the Township a letter of extension until Friday, April 4, 2008 for the rendering of a decision on their 49-lot Preliminary Subdivision Plan. Manager Rambo noted the Planning Commission has recommended accepting the extension. Supervisor McCaffrey motioned to accept the extension. Vice-Chairman Obernier seconded the motion. Board Members McCaffrey, Obernier, and Lindborg voted aye.

John Snook of the Brandywine Conservancy has forwarded the Township proposed amendments to the Township's Open Space Design Option Section of the Zoning Ordinance for review and consideration. Manager Rambo noted that the BoS was given colored copies in their meeting books. Supervisor McCaffrey motioned to move forward with advertising and forwarding them on to the County. Vice-Chairman Obernier seconded the motion. Board Members McCaffrey, Obernier, and Lindborg voted aye.

The Coatesville Area Partners for Progress have invited the Township to attend their upcoming annual dinner for local government members. Manager Rambo noted the event is going to be held on Wednesday, February 20, 2008 at Coatesville Country Club.

Correspondence/Communications Information to Note

James W. MacCombie, P.E, Township Engineer, has provided the Township a letter with regard to the cul-de-sac waiver request for the proposed Eck Property Subdivision. Chairman Lindborg noted that the letter suggested that the BoS wait and see what is resolved with the sewage issue.

John E. Good, Esquire has forwarded the Township correspondence with regard to Subdivision Applications and the extension of times. Manager Rambo read this out loud earlier in the meeting.

The Chester County Planning Commission has forwarded the Township a listing of municipally owned open space and parks for review and updating. Manager Rambo stated this is being addressed.

Old Business

The Manager continues his draft "easement agreement" preparation based on County requirements for funding for presentation to the Henderson's with regard to the purchase of a conservation easement. Manager Rambo noted he contacted the County who stated that they have not awarded any grants under the round for purchase of easements as of this date.

Final discussions on the Non-Uniform Personnel Policy Manual. Manager Rambo recommended that the BoS adopt the policy as presented and that they continue to work on reviewing it throughout the year to address any other concerns at that time. Supervisor McCaffrey motioned to adopt the policy as presented. Vice-Chairman Obernier seconded the motion. Board Members McCaffrey, Obernier, and Lindborg voted aye.

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

Resolution #01-2008; amendment of the 2008 budget. Manager Rambo noted that as a result of the award of the police contract the budget had to be modified, the budget was prepared with a 3.5% increase and the police were awarded 4%. Funds that were in existing categories were changed to allow funds to be freed up to put into salaries. This does not require a re-advertisement of the budget. Supervisor McCaffrey motioned approval to amend the 2008 budget. Chairman Lindborg seconded the motion. Board Members McCaffrey, Lindborg, and Obernier voted aye.

Resolution #02-2008; sewage planning module for the Brandywine View Subdivision (Gudal property) located at Union and Pratts Dam Roads. Manager Rambo recommended that the BoS pass the resolution so that the information will be forwarded onto DEP. They are on-site systems and the homeowners association will oversee the maintenance. Supervisor McCaffrey motioned to adopt the resolution. Vice-Chairman Obernier seconded the motion. Board Members McCaffrey, Obernier, and Lindborg voted aye.

Resolution #03-2008; modification to the Township's Medical Expense Reimbursement Plan. Supervisor McCaffrey motioned to adopt Resolution #-03-08. Vice-Chairman Obernier seconded the motion. Board Members McCaffrey, Obernier, and Lindborg voted aye.

New Business

Work has started on the replacement of the County owned Reid Road Bridge. There were no comments.

Kimmel Lorah & Associates has completed the 2007 Financial Audit of the Township. Manager Rambo requested that the BoS go back and address the minutes because the auditors have requested that the December and January minutes be approved.

The Township to consider pursuing a 6-month loan/line of credit in the amount of \$250,000 for the purchase of recycling equipment under the recent DEP Recycling Grant award. Manager Rambo briefly explained the two types of loans and noted the process for reimbursement. Supervisor McCaffrey motioned for Manager Rambo to pursue a fixed rate for \$250,000. Vice-Chairman Obernier seconded the motion. Board Members McCaffrey, Obernier, and Lindborg voted aye.

The Board to establish the reimbursement for mileage at the IRS rate of 50.5 cents/mile for 2008. Supervisor McCaffrey motioned to approve the mileage rate. Vice-Chairman Obernier seconded the motion. Board Members McCaffrey, Obernier, and Lindborg voted aye.

At this time in the meeting the BoS discussed the YMCA regarding their lack of parking as well as their lack of recycling. The Manager would look into the recycling efforts and talk with them about their project that is underway to add additional parking.

Approval of release requests for the construction of the new public works facility. Manager Rambo recommended approval of the following amounts noting that Five Star Mechanical had requested \$35,500 and feeling that there was not sufficient work to warrant that amount, reduced it to \$24,4000. McComsey Builders requested \$70,696.47 and McCarty and Son Electrical requested \$35,055.88. Chairman Lindborg motioned to approve the release requests based on the Manager's recommendation. Vice-Chairman Obernier seconded the motion. Board Members Lindborg, Obernier, McCaffrey and voted aye.

Spring newsletter articles are due on Linda Formica's desk by Thursday, February 21, 2008. There were no comments.

Recommendations of the Township Planning Commission. John Cassels noted the recommendations as follows. Rejection of both Beaver Creek preliminary land development plan and Culbertson Village commercial portion unless letters of extension are received prior to the next Planning Commission meeting. Manager Rambo noted both of these extensions currently run out on February 22nd. Mr. Cassels also noted the Planning Commission recommended rejection of Brandywine Manor unless a letter of extension is received. Manager Rambo stated they received a letter of extension from Brandywine Manor. Chairman Lindborg suggested in the future, that the applicant provide a more detailed letter of extension.

Andy Eberwein of E.B. Walsh & Associates is in attendance to present a sketch plan to the BoS for the Castaldi Tract on Beaver Creek Road. Mr. Eberwein noted that he has two options to present and would like the Boards input so that they can move forward. In keeping with the Township's current open space design option with the open space cluster plan this would keep the development back off of Beaver Creek Road and consist of forty-two units. The original plan consisted of forty units and would require a treatment plant and drip irrigation system. There is another approach that can be taken on this property, which is to provide individual on-lot septic systems and the number of units would be thirty-four. Thirty-six units would be permitted by-right. Supervisor McCaffrey asked how much of the open space would be part of the sanitary treatment system. Mr. Eberwein answered 2.56 sanitary acres of the total open space that consists of 37.8 acres. Supervisor McCaffrey voiced that the idea of open space is for "open space." After some discussion at the Boards suggestion Mr. Eberwein noted he would come up with an open space plan that would cluster the units, have an on-lot septic, sustain larger areas of open space, and still maintain 42 or 36 lots.

Discuss participation in a joint UCC Board with surrounding municipalities. Manager Rambo noted that various municipalities have been meeting at the Township to establish a joint board. There are currently five people that could serve on West Brandywine Township's Board if one person couldn't serve then the Township wouldn't have enough. Manager Rambo further explained that hearings could occur at each respective municipality; with a joint board there would be a core of individuals that could be picked from. Currently WBT has an agreement with Valley Township because they don't have a UCC Board. The municipalities interested in participating are Valley, West Bradford, Honey Brook, Caln, and East Brandywine. In some instances it may be beneficial to get the opinion of an outside individual. The BoS will discuss this at a later date before making a decision to participate.

New Business from the Floor

Vice-Chairman Obernier noted a prior meeting where the BoS requested a map of the Township with proposed subdivisions with their names delineated on it. Manager Rambo stated it would be finished for the BoS meeting in March.

Vice-Chairman Obernier requested a monthly report with a running total of monies expended for each line item. Manager Rambo will put this in the meeting books on a monthly basis.

Vice-Chairman Obernier also noted that the USPS sent correspondence about West Brandywine, PA. Manager Rambo noted he is waiting for a response. Supervisor McCaffrey asked if they could find out the status of the Brandamore Post Office, if and when they are going to close and also if the Township could preserve that zip code for West Brandywine Township. Jesse Edwards noted he asked at the post office and they said they have a lease for two years.

Vice-Chairman Obernier asked the status of the grant for acquisition of the City of Coatesville's Conti property. Manager Rambo has contacted Senator Rafferty's office and has talked with Kirby Hudson, Assistant Manager for the City of Coatesville.

New Business from the Board and Public Comments (individuals not requesting to be on the agenda)
There was no New Business from the Board nor were there any Public Comments.

Open Issues Before the Township

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

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 noted the Solid Waste Bills totaling \$43,434.26 and General Fund bills totaling \$222,979.16. Supervisor McCaffrey motioned to pay the bills. Vice-Chairman Obernier seconded the motion. Board Members McCaffrey, Obernier, and Lindborg voted aye in favor to pay the bills.

Upcoming Meetings/Events

Chairman Lindborg noted the upcoming meeting and events. There were no comments.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board, Supervisor McCaffrey motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:49 p.m. Vice-Chairman Obernier seconded the motion. Board Members McCaffrey, Obernier, and Lindborg voted aye in favor of adjournment.

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