

**Meeting Minutes of March 20, 2008
Board of Supervisors**

Supervisor McCaffrey called the Board of Supervisors Meeting of March 20, 2008 to order at 7:35 p.m. and then led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call of the Board of Supervisors (BoS) by Manager Rambo noted Vice-Chairman Josef G. Obernier, Sr. and Supervisor Thomas J. McCaffrey in attendance. Chairman Carl S. Lindborg was absent. The following individuals were present to represent the various departments: Ronald A. Rambo, Jr. [Twp. Mgr./Sec./Treas.], Dale Barnett [Codes/Zoning Officer], and Thomas Eells [Director of Public Works].

Recognition of Board and Commission Members

Vice-Chairman Obernier thanked both Mark Hartnett of the Parks and Recreation Board and Alan Amenta of the Historic Commission for their volunteer service to the Township and presented each of them with a plaque and certificate.

Acceptance of Minutes from Previous Meetings

February 7, 2008, February 21, 2008 and March 6, 2008. Vice-Chairman Obernier made a motion to accept the February 7th and the February 21st meeting minutes. Supervisor McCaffrey seconded the motion. Board Members Obernier and McCaffrey voted aye.

Treasurer’s Report *(As of the end of February)*

Presented by Manager Rambo. There were no comments.

Capital Reserve Fund	\$973,103.67	Police Pension Fund	\$1,358,981.28
Developer Escrow Fund	\$582,070.64	Public Works Cap. Projects Fund	\$137.08
General Fund	\$109.57	Solid Waste & Recycling Fund	\$50,553.26
Non-Uniform Pension Fund	\$303,927.43	State Liquid Fuel Fund	\$192.64
Operating Reserve Fund	\$186.24	Construction Sweep Fund	\$12,009.88

Public Comments (individuals requesting to be on agenda)

No one requested to be on the agenda.

Correspondence/Communications *Information to act upon*

The TMACC is seeking support to amend proposed HB 1827 and 1506 to permit “public transportation vehicle operators” as individuals that would be permitted to utilize MDT’s, cell phones, etc as a means of communications while operating public transportation vehicles. Vice-Chairman Obernier expressed that he was against talking on hand held cell phones. Supervisor McCaffrey noted he agreed with Vice-Chairman Obernier unless he receives clarification on specific rules. The BoS was in

agreement for Manager Rambo to write a letter stating that these drivers should conform to the same rules and regulations as any other motorists.

Correspondence/Communications Information to Note

The Sadsbury Township Board of Supervisors has sent a thank you letter for the utilization of the Township's traffic counting equipment. There were no comments.

The Chester County Conservation District has provided the Township with a list of its new review fees. Manager Rambo noted that this information would be added to the packets that are given out. The Conservation District reviews the plans to ensure that requirements are met prior to issuing a NPDS permit.

The Township has received notification of an upcoming Local Police and Government Grant Workshop slated for April 23, 2008. This information was forwarded to Chief Werner.

Costa Homes, Inc. has requested a meeting on site with the Township and a representative of the Historic Commission to discuss the Historic Preservation Area on lot #4 of the Hidden Meadows Project. Manager Rambo noted on the plan that shows an area where there is stone rubble, the house that he wants to build, grading around the house may effect the pile of stone rubble and Mr. Costa wants it verified whether the pile is historic or non-historic. Hugh Redditt of the Historic Commission noted that the pile of rubble is not historic.

Senator Rafferty has sent the Township a copy of his recent correspondence to DCNR requesting that they provide him with an explanation as to the recent decision in denying the Township's Open Space Grant Application for the purchase of the Conti Tract from the City of Coatesville. Vice-Chairman Obernier asked if the City has announced an auction date yet. Manager Rambo answered he is not aware of any.

Reports of Departments Month of February

Police Report submitted by Chief Werner and presented by Manager Rambo. There were no comments.

Total Hours	1,483	Fatalities	0
Miles Patrolled	9,346	Domestic	9
Total Complaints	546	Criminal Arrests	90
Accidents	10	Non-Traffic Arrests	27
Warrants	1	Traffic Arrests	136

Public Works Department Report: presented by Tom Eells.

Total man-hours	807	Total Equipment hours	71
Miles traversed	3,860	Total fuel	1,131

Tom also gave an update with regard to the maintenance facility that is under construction.

Buildings/Codes Department Report: presented by Dale Barnett. There were no comments.

Building Permits issued	43	CL Fees collected	\$2,325
Permit base fees collected	\$7,636	Valley Mechanical Ins	23
Occupancy fees collected	\$300	WBT Inspections completed	26

U&O permits issued	3	Failed Inspections (FI) paid	4
U&O permits issued cursory	10	FI Fees collected	\$190
Contractor Licenses (CL) issued	31	Total fees collected	\$10,451

Fire Marshall Report for February was submitted by Paul Gainor and presented by Manager Rambo. There were no comments.

Permit inspections done	26	Code violations/Complaints	2
Open Burning Permits	10	Hours on Permits	13
Container Permits	9	Hours on patrol	4
Other type inspections done	6	Hours on Ins/Complaints/Violations	12

East Brandywine Fire Company Report submitted by Robert Zynn and presented by Scott Piersol.
Fire

Number of calls dispatched into WBT	7	Second dispatch into WBT	-
Initial dispatch into WBT	7	Number of calls scratched	-

Medical Assist

Number of calls dispatched into WBT	22	Second dispatch into WBT	-
Initial dispatch into WBT	19	Number of calls scratched	3

Wagontown Fire Company Report submitted by Jeff Benach. There were no comments.
Fire

Number of calls dispatched into WBT	3	Second dispatch into WBT	-
Initial dispatch into WBT	3	Number of calls scratched	-

Medical Assist

Number of calls dispatched into WBT	1	Second dispatch into WBT	-
Initial dispatch into WBT	1	Number of calls scratched	-

Martin's Corner Fire Company Report: submitted by Chief Dan Metzler and presented by Manager Rambo. There were no comments.

Number of calls dispatched into WBT	5	Second dispatch into WBT	-
Initial dispatch into WBT	-	Number of calls scratched	-

Reports of Organizations, Boards and Commissions

Historical Commission: Hugh Reditt gave the report of the Historical Commission. The Township is in receipt of the February meeting minutes. Hugh will forward the drafted March minutes on to the Township. Hugh noted that there was a quorum for their last meeting. A member from the Historical Commission will be attending a grant workshop. There were no comments.

Parks and Recreation Board: Joe Arvay was present from the Parks and Recreation Board to give their report. Joe thanked Tom Eells for all the help that they received for the Easter Egg Hunt from the Public Works Department and noted that the Egg Hunt was a big success. The P&R Board is operating with limited manpower; two people resigned and a third person has not attended a lot of meetings. Joe Arvay noted the 2008 events.

Planning Commission and Open Space Review Board: No one present.

Municipal Authority: Municipal Authority Manager Rambo noted that they are waiting for manholes to arrive to begin the Monacy Manor project. Supervisor McCaffrey expressed concern regarding PAWC. Things are up in the air and are being held up. The Township should be wary about some of the agreements that have taken place and be wary of subdivision plans that involve more than one developer getting together for sewage disposal. As things become dicey with PAWC, the Township may start to see individual efforts made and partnerships may break down.

Old Business

The Spring edition of the Township newsletter is being prepared for mailing. There were no comments.

Discuss the participation in a Joint UCC Board with surrounding municipalities. Supervisor McCaffrey noted that WBT already has a UCC Board that consists of all volunteers but is open to explore whatever possibilities there are. Vice-Chairman Obernier noted that it took WBT years to get its Board assembled and if one member drops out then they won't have a Board anymore. If they join with the surrounding townships, they will always have a UCC Board should they need it.

Supervisor McCaffrey expressed that it would be more personal if you go to people that live in your own community rather than have someone outside our community. Supervisor McCaffrey would like more details. Manager Rambo explained that they are looking for two members from each municipality, they would have startup fees for advertisement, as well as court stenographer costs. Supervisor McCaffrey noted that the individual applicants are supposed to be covering any fees that take place. Manager Rambo requested that the BoS look at the information that was inserted in the March 6th meeting book for the specific details. The BoS tabled discussions until they have reviewed the detailed information.

The first ad for Ordinance No. 2008-01, amendments to the Open Space Design Option, has taken place. Manager Rambo noted that it was advertised on Tuesday, March 18th and will be advertised again on March 25th.

Old Business

There was no Old Business from the Floor or the Board.

Ordinances and Resolutions

Resolution 04-2008; establishment of Police Officer Contributions into the Uniform Pension Plan. Manager Rambo noted this remains as it was last year at 3%, however, the Township is required to adopt a new resolution each year. Supervisor McCaffrey motioned for the Vice-Chairman to sign the resolution to continue the police officers contribution at 3% in the year 2008. Vice-Chairman Obernier seconded the motion. Board Members McCaffrey and Obernier voted aye.

New Business

Recommendations of the Township Planning Commission. Manager Rambo noted that the Planning Commission recommended that the BoS approve the Culbertson Village Commercial Preliminary Plan (town homes) application provided that the applicant address comments in MacCombie's January 31, 2008 letter and Menke & Menke's February 7, 2008 letter. Supervisor McCaffrey motioned to grant preliminary approval of the Culbertson Village Commercial plan contingent that the Engineer's letter and other open issues are addressed. Vice-Chairman Obernier seconded the motion. Board Members McCaffrey and Obernier voted aye.

The Township to discuss and consider its participation on a Fire Services Committee/Task Force with East Brandywine, Upper Uwchlan, Wallace and West Nantmeal Townships with regard to fire and rescue services. Manager Rambo recommended this item be tabled until Chairman Lindborg is in attendance. Supervisor McCaffrey expressed displeasure with this because it does not encompass all the companies that service WBT. Vice-Chairman Obernier noted he attended the meeting and what he got out of the meeting is that East Brandywine and Glenmoore Fire Companies are considering merging. After further discussion the BoS requested that Manager Rambo contact Mr. Weber from the Governor's Center for Local Government Services to invite him to a BoS meeting. The BoS also requested that Manager Rambo contact Martin's Corner and Wagontown Fire Companies to ask why they are not participants.

A Public Hearing will take place during the April 3, 2008 BoS meeting for Ordinance NO. 2008-01, amendments to the Township's Open Space Design Option. There were no comments.

The Township will be holding a Conditional Use Hearing on Monday, April 14, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. for the application of Andrew Gottlieb to place additional parking at his chiropractic office on Horseshoe Pike. There were no comments.

New Business from the Floor

There was no New Business from the Floor.

New Business from the Board

Supervisor McCaffrey voiced concern regarding the income that individuals are paid that are in the PSATS Association. The PSATS Association filed for a postponement to submit the records on time with the IRS. The records were finally made available and after briefly reviewing them it appears that the compensation for the executive director is approaching \$400,000 a year. There is also a deferred compensation of \$110,000. Supervisor McCaffrey is requesting two letters: 1) to go to PSATS and ask for an explanation of compensation for the executive director and Chief Officer. 2) A second letter to the Chester County Association requesting that they direct a letter for the same information.

Vice-Chairman Obernier asked Supervisor McCaffrey what he is trying to get this information. Supervisor McCaffrey noted that while attending the PSATS convention the rest of the membership should be made aware of what is truly taking place. Since Supervisor McCaffrey doesn't know for sure, he would like to ask. The fact of the matter is that the man is making more money than many townships total budgets are as the executive director. Supervisor McCaffrey noted that there has been unsigned information sent to him stating that the Auditor General has been in and taken records out of PSATS. There is some question as to where they are using their money. Supervisor McCaffrey questioned whether they are in conformance of the law that allows them to operate their association. By the time that Supervisor McCaffrey requests the information as an individual, the convention will be over.

Vice-Chairman Obernier finds it disturbing that they are not speaking with Supervisor McCaffrey, he also finds it disturbing that there was some delay in reporting to the IRS. Supervisor McCaffrey explained that it is a legitimate thing to apply for an extension. Supervisor McCaffrey motioned that the two above noted letters be sent, one to the County Association and the other to PSATS asking for clear delineation of the compensation for the officers of association for the last three to four years. Vice-Chairman Obernier seconded the motion. Board Members McCaffrey and Obernier voted aye.

Manager Rambo noted that the BoS needs to sign the approved plan for Jelkes Manufacturing for their addition. They received their letter of credit and brought their inspection check in. Supervisor

McCaffrey motioned to sign Jelkes approved plan. Vice-Chairman Obernier seconded the motion. Board Members McCaffrey and Obernier voted aye.

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

There were no 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. Manager Rambo recently met with PAWC. The Township is awaiting correspondence from them.

The Township is in receipt of correspondence from E. B. Walsh & Associates and the Township Engineer with regard to the cul-de-sac waiver request for the Brandywine Manor Project (Gordon Eck Property). There were no comments.

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

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

Interest rate for the week (3.1%). There were no comments.

Review and Payment of the bills.

Manager Rambo noted the Solid Waste Bills totaling \$1,359.85 and General Fund bills totaling \$49,393.41. There were no State Fund Bills. Supervisor McCaffrey noted he reviewed the bills, found them in order and motioned for payment. Vice-Chairman Obernier seconded the motion. Board Members McCaffrey and Obernier voted aye in favor to pay the bills.

Upcoming Meetings/Events

Vice-Chairman Obernier 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 8:32 p.m. Vice-Chairman Obernier seconded the motion. Board Members McCaffrey and Obernier voted aye in favor of adjournment.

Ronald A. Rambo, Jr.

Township Manager/Secretary/Treasurer