

**WEST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING  
JUNE 19, 2018**

Township Supervisors:

Mr. Chris Pielli, Esq., Chair  
Ms. Robin Stuntebeck, Vice-Chair  
Ms. Mary R. LaSota, Esq., Member  
Mr. Edward G. Meakim, Member  
Mr. Hugh J. Purnell, Jr., Member

Township Officials:

Mr. Casey LaLonde, Township Manager  
Mr. Richard J. Craig, Township Engineer  
Mr. Bill Webb, Township Zoning Officer  
Mr. Dave Sander, Township Solicitor  
Mr. David Brooman, Special Counsel

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors of West Goshen Township was called to order by Chair Chris Pielli, at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 19, 2018 at the West Goshen Township Administration Building.

Mr. Pielli opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mr. Pielli requested that all audience members silence their cell phones.

Mr. Pielli made notice to all members of the public in attendance that they may be recorded via audio and video by other members of the public.

Mr. Pielli turned the meeting over to Mr. David Brooman of High Swartz for the monthly Sunoco Mariner II update. Mr. Brooman stated that hearings were held on the Township's case before the PUC on April 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>. He stated that final briefs for this phase of the case are due on June 28<sup>th</sup> with final resolution sometime in September 2018.

Ms. Maxine Richter asked if the Janiec 2 tract was purchased by Sunoco. Mr. Brooman responded that Sunoco indeed did purchase the property to put a valve station site on the property and Sunoco still intends to use it for a staging area for the project, but intends to sell the property after the pipeline installation project is complete.

Mr. Pielli asked what was the scope of the recent Order. Mr. Brooman responded that the recent Order only referenced stopping HDD construction in West Whiteland Township, but construction may continue in other areas.

Mr. Brooman departed the Board meeting at 7:07 p.m.

Mr. Purnell arrived at the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

Mr. Pielli introduced the Final Land Development for three modular classroom buildings for West Chester Area School District at 1150 Delancey Place. Mr. Ross Unruh, Solicitor for West Chester Area School District, provided a brief overview of the project to place three temporary modular classrooms at the Glen Acres Elementary School. Mr. Unruh stated that the modular classrooms will be used for approximately four years.

Dr. Douglas White stated that this is a good plan and asked if the modular classrooms would be permanent. Mr. Unruh responded that they would be temporary for the stated four years.

On a motion by Mr. Meakim, seconded by Mr. Purnell, the Board unanimously approved the Glen Acres Elementary School modular classroom Final Land Development Plan.

Mr. Pielli turned the meeting over to Ms. Stuntebeck who presented certificates of recognition for those Township uniformed and non-uniformed employees with 20 or more and 25 or more years of service and dedication to West Goshen Township. Those employees receiving certificates include the following:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Department</b>	<b>Years of Service</b>
Mr. Kim Norsoph	Streets	41
Sgt. Tony Storti	Police	38
Sgt. Joe Burt	Police	37
Chief Joseph Gleason	Police	36
Captain Greg Stone	Police	32
Ofc. Joe Carabba	Police	31
Ms. Dorine McClune	Parks	28
Sgt. Steve Peacock	Police	28
Mr. Joe DiPietro	Wastewater	27
Ms. Cindy Haldeman	Police	25
Ms. Jen Latzer	Finance	23
Mr. Mark Bertolami	Streets	23
Mr. Jim Leon	Wastewater	22
Lt. Justin DiMedio	Police	22
Lt. Michael Carroll	Police	22
Mr. Jeff Howell	Wastewater	22
Ofc. Mike Meredith	Police	21
Mr. Mike Moffa	Wastewater	21
Sgt. Darren Sedlak	Police	20
Mr. Mike McCarthy	Streets	20
Mr. Ken Lehr	Park & Recreation	20

Ms. Stuntebeck and the Board thanked all of the employees for their many years of dedicated service to West Goshen Township.

Chief Joseph Gleason presented the Police Department report for the month of May 2018.

Chief Gleason introduced William "Billy" Burch as the new West Goshen Township Police Department Chaplain. Mr. Derek Davis swore in Mr. Burch in his new role as Police Chaplain. Chaplain Burch thanked Chief Gleason and the Board of Supervisors for this opportunity to serve the Police Department. Chaplain Burch stated that it is his purpose and mission to serve the West Goshen Police Department.

Ms. Andrea Testa, Fire Marshal, gave the Fire Marshal Report for the month of May 2018. Ms. Testa also gave the report for Good Fellowship Ambulance Company and the Goshen Fire Company.

Mr. Beswick provided the Building Inspector Report for the month of May 2018.

Ms. Stuntebeck announced that the Township Sewer Authority recently made a recommendation on a sewer user rate increase. She stated that a joint public meeting of the Board of Supervisors and the Sewer Authority was being scheduled for the end of August to provide a project update and have a public discussion on any proposed increase in rates.

Mr. Purnell apologized for arriving late to the meeting. Mr. Purnell stated that he has several draft Ordinances that the Township Historical Commission would like to recommend to the Board of Supervisors for possible adoption in the future.

Mr. Pielli announced that Request for Proposals for engineering services and banking services would be issued soon.

Mr. Bob Sheller asked what rate had been recommended by the Sewer Authority. Ms. Stuntebeck stated that the recommended rate was in the \$95 to \$97 per quarter range.

Mr. LaLonde stated that the June 26, 2018 Comprehensive Plan Task Force meeting is cancelled and that the next Comprehensive Plan Task Force meeting is scheduled for 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 24, 2018 here at the Township building.

Mr. LaLonde stated that planning was underway for the pipeline firefighter training at Texas A&M University and training for municipal managers and emergency operations officials in Oklahoma City. Both training opportunities are paid 100% by a grant obtained by State Representative Carolyn Comitta's office through the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

Mr. Tom Casey asked if any of the materials could be made public following the training. Mr. LaLonde responded yes, as long as the training materials are allowed to be made public.

Mr. Rick Craig announced that the Township had received a comment letter from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection regarding the Township's MS4 permit application that included TMDL Plans and PRP Plans. Mr. Craig stated that the comments included Best Management Practices clarifications and a request for a more simplified map. Township consulting engineer HRG is working on addressing the comments and the Township's response is due to PADEP on July 30<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Craig announced that the Township and the Township Sewer Authority are pursuing two grant opportunities stemming from the Sunoco Mariner II fines. The Township Sewer Authority is pursuing a grant for riparian buffer plantings on Sewer Authority property adjacent to the wastewater plant and the Township is pursuing a grant to retrofit two stormwater basins. Mr. Craig stated the applications are due tomorrow.

Mr. Tom Casey asked about the status of the Basin Road stormwater project. Mr. Craig stated the project was delayed due to the PADEP determining that the basin was, in fact, a low-hazard dam due to the drainage area. The Township is working through the PADEP process to move the project forward.

Mr. Bill Webb announced that the Zoning Hearing Board would be meeting this Thursday to hear a variance and Special Exception request from the property owner at 981 N. New Street. The applicant is seeking a di minimis lot width variance and a Special Exception to install a driveway across the floodplain. Mr. Webb recommended the Board not take a position on the case. There was no position taken by the Board.

On a motion by Mr. Meakim, seconded by Mr. Purnell, the Board unanimously approved the meeting minutes of May 21, 2018.

On a motion by Mr. Meakim, seconded by Mr. Purnell, the Board unanimously approved the Treasurer's Report of May 31, 2018 for the General Fund, the Sewer Fund Revenue Fund, the Waste and Recycling Fund, and the Capital Reserve Fund and the bills to be paid from these Funds.

As discussed briefly in his announcements, Mr. LaLonde sought approval of the Pennsylvania Job Training Grant contract that provides 100% Commonwealth of Pennsylvania funding for firefighters and municipal officials regarding pipeline safety and regulations. On a motion by Mr. Purnell, seconded by Ms. Stuntebeck, the Board unanimously approved the contract.

As part of the continued discussion of a Township residential rental property inspection program, Mr. Webb provided a rental fee comparison for other Chester County municipalities with existing inspection programs. Mr. Webb stated that this is not a revenue generator, but a program with a focus on the public's health and safety. After a brief discussion, the Board agreed on a series of inspection fees and permit fees that will be updated within the Township's fee schedule.

Ms. Jill Debenny supports this rental inspection and Ordinance. She stated that students live next door to her residence and landlords need to be held accountable.

Mr. Tom Casey recommended a rate of change study to determine the Township workload.

Ms. Maxine Richter stated she is in favor of the Ordinance, but asked how the Township will know if the tenant changes and that penalties are needed.

Mr. Tom Casey asked if the property owner will be paying the fee. Mr. Webb responded, yes.

On a motion by Ms. LaSota, seconded by Mr. Purnell, the Board authorized advertising of the residential rental inspection program with the intent to adopt the Ordinance at the July 17, 2018 Board of Supervisors meeting.

Mr. LaLonde introduced the Participant Continuing Disclosure Agreement between West Goshen Township and the Delaware Valley Regional Finance Authority (DeVal). Mr. LaLonde explained that as a requirement of the Township having a loan from DeVal, annual reporting needs to occur and this Agreement formalizes the requirements. On a motion by Mr. Purnell, seconded by Mr. Meakim, the Board unanimously approved the Agreement.

On a motion by Mr. Purnell, seconded by Mr. Meakim, the Board unanimously approved Resolution 14-2018, Township Finance Department records destruction.

After a lengthy discussion, on a motion by Mr. Purnell, seconded by Ms. LaSota, the Board unanimously approved Resolution 15-2018, restricting right turns by semi-trucks onto North Five Points Road from Fern Hill Road with the requirement that the Township request PennDOT to conduct a traffic study of the intersections of North Five Points Road / Fern Hill Road, Fern Hill Road / Turner Lane and Fern Hill Road / Paoli Pike and create an education program for local business who generate and / or receive truck traffic to utilize the intersection of Fern Hill Road / Turner Lane to access Paoli Pike.

Mr. Robert Brochet appeared before the Board to complain about snow removal in the vicinity of his property in the Warren Road / Sylvan Road area of the Township. He complained that Township plow trucks were pushing and throwing snow onto his sidewalk at his residence.

Mr. Abbas Rahbari appeared before the Board to complain about the West Goshen Township Police Department and Township staff.

Dr. Douglas White commented about his concerns about Distributed Antenna Systems (DAS) and their potential effect on the Township.

Mr. Tom Casey asked if the Township would consider live streaming of Board meetings. The Board advised Mr. Casey that they would have Township staff investigate and report back to the Board on costs.

**Please view this meeting's video recording via YouTube with the link located at [www.westgoshen.org](http://www.westgoshen.org).**

There being no further business, on motion by Mr. Purnell, seconded by Ms. LaSota, the meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Casey LaLonde  
Township Secretary