

**WEST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
March 8, 2006**

A regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of West Goshen Township was called to order by Chairman Dr. Robert S. White at 4:02 p.m. on Wednesday, March 8, 2006, at the West Goshen Township Administration Building. All members were present. Dr. White opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Dr. White announced that the March 22, 2006 Board of Supervisors meeting has been cancelled.

Dr. White opened the floor for public comment.

Ms. Sharon Lynn, Township Manager, introduced Ms. Anne Murphy from the Chester-Ridley-Crum Watersheds Association (CRC). Ms. Murphy announced that the West Goshen Goose Creek Headwaters Cleanup is scheduled for Saturday, April 22, 2006 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. She said that the CRC is working with the new stormwater regulations and that the entire stream of Goose Creek is considered to be impaired. She said that the CRC has been working with Ms. Lynn and Mr. Richard Craig, Township Engineer, in developing new standards for discharges and implementing the NPDES Phase II requirements. Ms. Murphy encouraged any community groups interested in participating in the clean-up to contact the CRC to sign up. She said that the CRC hopes to sponsor the clean-up on an annual basis. Ms. Lynn stated that Ms. Murphy does an excellent job in coordinating the activities of the CRC and works well with the staff of West Goshen Township.

Dr. White announced that Mr. James F. McLearn, Jr., is resigning from the West Goshen Township Sewer Authority Board effective March 8, 2006.

On motion by Dr. White, seconded by Ms. McIlvaine, the Board unanimously approved the appointment of Mr. Michael T. Arnold as a regular member of the Sewer Authority Board.

On motion by Dr. White, seconded by Ms. McIlvaine, the Board unanimously approved the appointments of Mr. Kenneth W. Fuller and Mr. Frank J. Biasi as alternate members of the Sewer Authority Board.

Mrs. Evelyn Baker, 900 Sheridan Drive, asked how long Mr. McLearn had served on the Sewer Authority Board and Dr. White replied that he has been a member for 19 years and 9 months.

Ms. Lynn announced that for the third year in a row the Government Finance Officers Association has awarded to the Township a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting. She said that Ms. Jeanne Denham, Finance Director, and Ms. Jennifer Latzer, Assistant Finance Director, had prepared the CAFR (Comprehensive Annual Financial Report) for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2004. She said that this is a remarkable accomplishment. Ms. McIlvaine said that only a small number of municipalities have received the award and Ms. Lynn said that West Goshen Township was the only municipality in Chester County in 2004 and 2005 to receive the award.

Ms. Lynn announced that West Goshen Township has received first place honors for its entry in the Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors' Township Citizen Communication Contest. She said that the West Goshen Township Newsletter had tied with the East Norriton Township Newsletter in the 10,000 and over population category. She said that the newsletter was judged on its usefulness of information and how well the information was communicated to township residents. Ms. Lynn said that Mr. Ken Lehr prepares the newsletter and that the certificate recognizing this accomplishment is in the lobby of the Administration Building.

Ms. Lynn announced that the Board of Supervisors meeting scheduled for March 22, 2006 has been cancelled and that the Board of Supervisors will meet once in April on April 5, 2006 at 4:00 p.m. Ms. Lynn announced that the April 12 and April 26, 2006 Board of Supervisors meetings have been cancelled.

On motion by Ms. McIlvaine, seconded by Mr. Meakim, the Board unanimously approved the Board of Supervisors minutes from February 8 and February 22, 2006.

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On motion by Mr. Meakim, seconded by Ms. McIlvaine, the Board unanimously approved the Treasurer's Report dated February 28, 2006 for the General Fund, the Sewer Revenue Fund, the Waste and Recycling Fund, and the Capital Reserve Fund, as well as the bills to be paid from the General Fund, the Sewer Fund, the Capital Reserve Fund, and the Waste and Recycling Fund.

Chief Michael Carroll gave the Police Report for the month of February 2006.

Chief Carroll announced that the "Say No To Drugs" program will be held on March 25, 2006.

Mrs. Baker asked how many of the alarms in the police report were valid and Chief Carroll responded that 14 of the 114 alarms were valid.

Mr. John Beswick, Building Official, gave the Fire Marshal Report for the month of February 2006. Mr. Beswick also gave the reports for Goshen Fire Company and Good Fellowship Ambulance.

Mr. Paul Carpenter, 123 Crosspointe Drive, questioned why there was no report from the West Chester Fire Department and Dr. White responded that the report is not always received in time for the Board of Supervisors meeting.

Mr. Beswick, gave the Building Inspection Activity Report for February 2006.

Prior to the consideration of the signing of the Ballfield Agreements, Ms. Lynn said that the agreements are five - year agreements with the East Side Little League, West Side Little League and West Chester Girls Softball Association, which are the same three entities that signed the last contracts in 1996 for use of the West Goshen Community Park ballfields. Ms. Lynn said that the new agreements add a fee of \$5,000 per year for each league for the use of the ballfields.

On motion by Ms. McIlvaine, seconded by Mr. Meakim, the Board unanimously approved the signing of the Ballfield Agreements with East Side Little League, West Side Little League and West Chester Girls Softball Association.

On motion by Ms. McIlvaine, seconded by Mr. Meakim, the Board unanimously approved a Final Land Development plan for a 1,860 square foot building addition for Pat's Pizzeria located at 1149 West Chester, Pike. Mr. Pandelidis Paraskevas was present to represent the plan.

The consideration of a Final Land Development Plan for courtyard renovations at Fugett Middle School of the West Chester Area School District located at 400 Ellis Lane was tabled as no one was present to represent the plan.

Prior to the consideration of Resolution 07-2006 Ms. Lynn said that this resolution would authorize an increase in the fees that the West Goshen Township Tax Collector may impose and collect for certification of taxes paid on real estate and other administrative fees for services and documents provided by the Tax Collector. She said the proposed fees would be \$15.00 for each requested certification of taxes, \$10.00 for each requested copy of the tax duplicate, \$10.00 for each requested current status report for taxes paid, and \$1.00 per parcel when a real estate tax bill is provided by electronic diskette.

On motion by Dr. White, seconded by Ms. McIlvaine, the Board unanimously approved Resolution 07-2006 authorizing the West Goshen Township Tax Collector to impose and collect a fee for certification of taxes paid on real estate and other administrative fees for services and documents provided by the Tax Collector.

Dr. White opened the floor for public comment. No comments were made.

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There being no further business, on motion by Dr. White, seconded by Mr. Meakim, the meeting was adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra K. Turley
Township Secretary

**West Goshen Township
Supervisor Hearing
January 25, 2006**

S-13-05

Supervisor Hearing S-13-05, which was continued from January 25, 2006, was called to order by Chairman Dr. Robert S. White at 4:41 p.m. All members were present.

Mr. Joseph E. Brion, Esquire, was present to represent the Township. Mr. Louis J. Colagreco, Jr., Esquire, was present to represent the applicant. The applicant, Pulte Homes of PA, Limited Partnership, is seeking conditional use approval to subdivide and develop a 276.65 acre tract of real property that it equitably owns which is located at the northwest corner of the Route 322 Bypass and Phoenixville Pike using the Flexible Design Options as proposed in a pending petition to amend the West Goshen Township Revised Zoning ordinance of 1990. The Board of Supervisors has conducted two hearings (Supervisors Hearing S-09-05) on the proposed zoning amendment which would allow a Flexible Design Option in the R-3 Zoning District subject to express criteria in the proposed zoning amendment and subject to the Board of Supervisors' conditional use approval. The Board has agreed to consolidate the remaining hearings for the proposed zoning amendment with the conditional use hearings. The property is owned by Jerrehian – a PA General partnership and is located in the R-3 Residential Zoning District. The property is currently improved with a country house estate with residence mansion which is commonly referred to as "Greystone Mansion" as well as three single family detached dwellings and various outbuildings.

See Court Reporter's Transcript

At the conclusion of all testimony and comments the evidentiary record was closed. Mr. Brion stated that the proposed text amendment will be resubmitted to the Chester County Planning Commission for another review as a change has been made to §84-14.01.D(8)(d).

On motion by Dr. White, seconded by Ms. McIlvaine, the Board unanimously approved continuing the hearing to a date certain of May 10, 2006 at 4:00 p.m.

The hearing was adjourned at 6:11 p.m.