

**WEST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
September 10, 2008**

Township Supervisors:

Ms. Patricia B. McIlvaine, Chairman
Mr. Edward G. Meakim, Jr., Vice Chairman
Dr. Robert S. White, Member

Township Officials:

Mr. Casey LaLonde, Township Manager
Ms. Jeanne M. Denham, Finance Director
Mr. Raymond D. McKeeman, Zoning Officer
Ms. Kristin Camp, Township Solicitor

A regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of West Goshen Township was called to order by Chairman Patricia B. McIlvaine at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 10, 2008 at the West Goshen Township Administration Building. All members were present. Ms. McIlvaine opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Ms. McIlvaine opened the floor for public comment.

Ms. Lori Monaghan, 946 Greystone Drive, commented that a man she claims is on the Megan's Law website was currently living in a tent on a property adjacent to the intersection of Phoenixville Pike and Goshen Road and selling The Daily Local newspapers to motorists potentially causing accidents. Ms. Monaghan suggested to the Board of Supervisors that they act to evict the man from living in a tent on the property, prohibit residents from living in tents and prohibit the selling of newspapers or other goods in the street.

Ms. Carol Otto, 948 Greystone Drive, echoed Ms. Monaghan's comments and asked the Board to make the requested changes.

Mr. Jerry Dickens, 1377 Greenhill Avenue, reiterated Ms. Monaghan's complaints about people selling newspapers in the street.

West Goshen Township Police Department Captain Joseph Gleason responded, stating that the individual has been evicted from the property, as he did not have the property owner's permission to live on the property. Captain Gleason also stated that the person may sell newspapers in the street as long as the person does not pose a safety risk to motorists. If it is shown that the person is causing a danger, he will be asked to move along.

Ms. Otto also commented on the adjacent property's deterioration. The property is owned by Susan Windle Rogers and appears to be in a dilapidated condition. Township Zoning Officer Ray McKeeman will investigate the property and contact the property owner if the property is out of compliance with Township Codes.

Mrs. McIlvaine announced that the Board of Supervisors met in executive session on August 18, 2008 to discuss personnel matters.

Dr. White announced that the Township Planning Commission would begin review of the R-3B Zoning Amendment and a new Conditional Use application for the Jerrehian estate on Tuesday, September 16, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. The Board of Supervisors is scheduled to open hearings on the R-3B Zoning Amendment and the new Conditional Use application for the Jerrehian plan on Wednesday, October 22, 2008.

Zoning Officer Ray McKeeman announced that ZHB #4-08 has been continued to Thursday, September 18, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. The applicant and legal owner is Lot 24 Wright's Lane, L.P., who is seeking special exception approval and variance relief for a child daycare to be located at 698 Airport Road.

On motion by Mr. Meakim, seconded by Dr. White, the Board unanimously approved the Board of Supervisors minutes of August 13, 2008.

On motion by Dr. White, seconded by Mr. Meakim, the Board unanimously approved the Treasurer's Report dated August 31, 2008 for the General Fund, the Sewer Revenue Fund, the Waste and Recycling Fund, and the

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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.

Ms. Andrea Testa, Fire Marshal, gave the Fire Marshal Report for the month of August 2008. Ms. Testa also gave the reports for Good Fellowship Ambulance Company and Goshen Fire Company.

Mrs. Evelyn Baker, 900 Sheridan Drive, asked Ms. Testa about the recent Conshohocken apartment building fire and if the West Chester Commons at West Chester University have adequate fire protection sprinklers throughout. Ms. Testa stated that West Chester Commons was approved and built before her start with the Township, but yes, the Commons have adequate fire protection including sprinklers.

Captain Joseph Gleason gave the Police Report for the month of August 2008.

Mr. Edward Hunger, Building Official, gave the Building Inspection Activity Report for August 2008.

Ken Anderson and Matt Healy of Allied Waste presented an overview of the Township's new automated trash pickup system. On August 13, 2008 the Board of Supervisors approved a three-year contract with Allied Waste (formerly BFI) to provide trash and recycling pickup services for the Township. Mr. Anderson thanked the Board for the opportunity to present information on the new services offered by Allied Waste and for their continued business.

Commencing later this fall, the Township will begin offering automated trash collection, in which trash collection will be conducted by a single driver using an automated lifting device to dump trash into the collection truck. Automated trash collection saves personnel costs and workers' compensation costs to the Township, as only one person is required to operate the vehicle while picking up the trash containers. Safety is also an important highlight, as Allied Waste personnel will not be working outside of the truck, as opposed to traditional trash collection.

Mr. Anderson also spoke briefly about the new "single stream" recycling collection system that is now in place. Township residents are now allowed to completely comingle their paper, cardboard, metal cans, plastics (#1 through #7) and glass containers in their single recycling container. Paper and cardboard are no longer required to be separated. The comingled material shall be loaded into Allied Waste recycling trucks and delivered to their King of Prussia recycling center, where a new \$5,000,000 recycling process separates the materials. This process makes recycling easy for residents and should increase recycling rates in the Township.

Mr. Healy stated that residents should place their new trash containers at least four feet away from any obstructions and approximately six inches out from the curb line. Mr. LaLonde stated that the Township is purchasing new 96-gallon trash containers for each Township residence for use with the new automated trucks. The new trash containers will be delivered to each residence in mid to late October 2008. The new trash containers shall stay with the home, even if the property is sold, as the containers are the property of West Goshen Township. Each container shall have a serial number tied to the residence for ease of returning the container to the resident if it is stolen or moved away from the property. Each trash container shall have an informational brochure attached that all residents should read it upon delivery.

The Township has also purchased one hundred smaller (48-gallon) trash containers that will be made available to senior citizens or those with special needs. However, this is a limited supply and shall be distributed on a first-come-first served basis at the approval of the Township Manager.

On a motion by Dr. White, seconded by Mr. Meakim, the Board unanimously approved Resolution 20-2008, establishing the 2009 Financial Requirements and the Minimum Municipal Obligations for all three Township pension plans:

For the Administrative and Roads Employees' Pension Plan, Financial Requirements of \$201,639 and the Minimum Municipal Obligation of \$181,383.

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For the Sewer Employees' Pension Plan, Financial Requirements of \$134,681 and the Minimum Municipal Obligation of \$134,681.

For the Police Pension Plan, Financial Requirements of \$439,163 and the Minimum Municipal Obligation of \$323,737.

On a motion by Dr. White, seconded by Mr. Meakim, the Board unanimously approved the Final Land Development Plan for two storage / warehouse buildings totaling 3,200 square feet for Schramm, Inc., located at 800 East Virginia Avenue.

On a motion by Dr. White, seconded by Mr. Meakim, the Board unanimously approved the Final Land Development Plan for a 4,000 square foot beverage distribution facility for Robert Spaziani located at 1015 West Chester Pike.

Township Solicitor Kristin Camp presented the draft Decision and Order for Cricket Communications, Inc. Dr. White requested that two additional conditions be attached to the Order, to include installing a solid wood fence to completely obscure the various service cabinets at the base of the tower and that Cricket Communications resolve the service cabinet noise issue at the site. A brief discussion ensued. On a motion by Mr. Meakim, to include Dr. White's comments about the solid wood fence, seconded by Mrs. McIlvaine, the Board approved the Decision and Order 2-1 with Dr. White in opposition.

On a motion by Dr. White, seconded by Mr. Meakim, the Board unanimously approved the signing of the agreement with WexCon, Inc., for the Airport Road culvert replacement project.

On a motion by Mr. Meakim, seconded by Dr. White, the Board unanimously approved Resolution 21-2008 setting a date for a public hearing for the Conditional Use application of Metro PCS of Pennsylvania, LLC, for the installation of antennas on an existing monopole at 1130 West Chester Pike. The hearing shall take place on Wednesday, October 8, 2008.

On a motion by Dr. White, seconded by Mr. Meakim, the Board unanimously approved Resolution 22-2008 setting a date for a public hearing for the Conditional Use application of Jerrehian – A PA General Partnership for the development of 598 dwelling units pursuant to the Flexible Design Conservation District regulations. The hearing shall take place on Wednesday, October 22, 2008.

Ms. McIlvaine opened the floor for public comment. No comments were made.

There being no further business, on motion by Mrs. McIlvaine, seconded by Mr. Meakim, the meeting was adjourned at 4:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Casey LaLonde
Township Manager