

**WEST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
OCTOBER 27, 2010**

Township Supervisors:

Dr. Robert S. White, Vice Chairman
Mrs. Patricia B. McIlvaine, Member

Township Officials:

Ms. Jeanne Denham, Finance Director
Mr. Richard Craig, Township Engineer
Mr. Raymond D. McKeeman, Zoning Officer

A regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of West Goshen Township was called to order by Vice Chairman Robert White at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 27, 2010 at the West Goshen Township Administration Building. Mr. Meakim was not present. Dr. White opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Dr. White opened the floor for public comment.

Mrs. Phyllis Dunn, 1035 North New Street, presented an update on the number of library cards issued to West Goshen Township residents.

Dr. White noted that the Zoning Text Amendment and Conditional Use Hearings for the Baxter property at 1017 Andrew Drive will be held at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 10, 2010. The Supervisors Meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. on that date.

Mrs. Evelyn Baker, 900 Sheridan Drive, commented about the Library in relation to the cultural activities sponsored by the Parks Department.

Mrs. Shirley Colvin, 830 Spruce Avenue, commented on two small children in her area that are required by the school district to walk up Jones Lane, which she feels to be an unsafe condition. Mrs. McIlvaine responded that the school district and the bus company locate the bus stops and comments from the Township have not had any impact on such complaints. She suggested that the parents continue to contact the school district regarding this matter.

Mrs. Baker suggested that the roadway shoulder in the areas of Jones Lane and Spruce Avenue be improved by the Township to provide safer walking conditions.

Mr. Jon McCormack, 840 Spruce Avenue, requested a multi-way stop sign at Jones Lane and Rosary Avenue. Mr. Craig responded that this intersection does not meet PennDOT requirements for a multi way stop. Mr. Craig suggested that a sign stating that opposing traffic does not stop might be useful. The installation of such a sign will be investigated by Mr. Craig.

On a motion by Dr. White, seconded by Mrs. McIlvaine, the Board unanimously approved the Board of Supervisors minutes dated October 13, 2010.

A Final Land Development Plan for a 26,000 square foot industrial supply facility for Saunders Lane, L.P. located at 1005 Saunders Lane was presented by Township Engineer Richard Craig. The Planning Commission recommended approval of the plan at their October 19, 2010 meeting. Mr. Raymond M. Wolfe, Sr. was present representing the plan. Mrs. Baker had several questions regarding the review letters which were answered by Mr. Craig.

On a motion by, Dr. White seconded by Mrs. McIlvaine, the Board unanimously approved the land development plan as presented.

On a motion by Dr. White, seconded by Mrs. McIlvaine, the Board unanimously approved the 2010 Foreign Fire Relief Distribution Allocation Formula. The total allocation is \$224,786.98. Mrs. Baker commented that she felt this distribution to be unconstitutional.

On a motion by Mrs. McIlvaine, seconded by Dr. White, the Board unanimously approved the bills to be paid from the General Fund, the Sewer Fund, the Waste and Recycling Fund, and the Capital Reserve Fund.

Dr. White opened the floor for public comment.

Dr. White commented that the recent Harvest Day was very successful.

Mr. Earl Zeller, a resident of East Fallowfield Township, requested comments on Medical Plan use by Township Supervisors, and the merits of five versus three Supervisors. Dr. White stated that the Supervisors are employees of the Township and therefore fall under the medical plan. He also stated that the Board of Supervisors has taken a neutral stand on the issue of the number of Supervisors.

Mrs. Colvin provided comments regarding the number of Supervisors issue. She feels that increasing the number of Supervisors may not be effective.

Mr. McCormick asked if a rendering of the new Public Works Building was available. Mr. McKeeman stated that a rendering was not available, but architectural details were available.

Mrs. Baker provided comments regarding the new Public Works Building.

Mr. Zeller asked how the Public Works Building was funded. Dr. White responded and detailed the funding mechanism for the building.

Mrs. Baker provided several comments regarding the proposed Police Contract and the potential for subsequent tax increases as a result of this contract.

Mr. Zeller also commented on the recent increase in trash and sewer rates. Dr. White responded and detailed the needs for increased funding, including increased DEP regulation, and the cost savings realized by the change to automated trash pickup.

There being no further business, on motion by Dr. White, seconded by Mrs. McIlvaine, the meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Craig
Acting Secretary