

**WEST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
MAY 14, 2014**

Township Supervisors:

Mrs. Patricia B. McIlvaine, Chairman
Philip J. Corvo, Jr., Vice-Chairman
Mr. Raymond H. Halvorsen, Member
Mr. Theodore J. Murphy, Esq.
Dr. Robert S. White, Member

Township Officials:

Mr. Casey LaLonde, Township Manager
Mr. Richard J. Craig, Township Engineer
Ms. Kristin Camp, Township Solicitor
Ms. Margaret Morris, Township Special Counsel

A regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of West Goshen Township was called to order by Chairman Patricia McIlvaine at 7:04 p.m. on Wednesday, May 14, 2014 at the West Goshen Township Administration Building. Mrs. McIlvaine opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Ms. Margaret Morris, Township Special Counsel, provided a summary of the Sunoco amended petition to the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, dated May 9, 2014 regarding the proposed Boot Road pump station.

Mr. Corvo read a prepared statement regarding Sunoco's proposal:

"I recently found a reference article on Wikipedia titled " List of pipeline accidents in the 21st century. In reviewing this material, I noted that there have been four (4) accidents involving gas pipelines in the commonwealth of Pennsylvania in which the compressor station caught fire and exploded. The accidents included:

- ⊙ An explosion and fire of the compressor station on the Columbia Gas pipeline near Artemas, PA on November 3, 2011.
- ⊙ An explosion and fire of the gas compressor station on a Williams Companies' pipeline near Springville, PA on March 29, 2012.
- ⊙ An explosion and fire of the gas compressor station at a Willams Companies' pipeline near Brooklyn Township, PA on May 14, 2013
- ⊙ A fire of the gas compressor station in Gilmore Township, PA on July 4, 2013.

During this period, there has been a total of 15 gas compressor fires and explosions nationwide.

Considering the fact that Sunoco has proposed to build a gas compressor station in West Goshen Township, within 100 feet of the closest house, in a densely populated area, and adjacent to a four lane divided highway, I am against this project because of the safety risks created by this station."

On a motion by Mr. Murphy, seconded by Dr. White, the Board unanimously agreed to intervene in this amended Sunoco petition, dated May 9, 2014.

Mr. Kevin Link, 1315 Mary Jane Lane, asked about the status of the flare tower. Ms. Morris stated that Sunoco reduced the height to thirty feet, complying with the Township Code, but with this revised petition, local Zoning does not apply to Sunoco.

Ms. Nina Gallagher, 1115 Airport Road, stated she opposed the Sunoco project.

Mr. Al English, 1104 Nottingham Drive, asked about possible lowered property values.

Mr. Jon McCormack, 840 Spruce Avenue, asked about possible emissions from the proposed flare tower. Ms. Morris responded that the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection had already issued a report stating that emissions from the proposed flare tower would have a "de minimis" impact.

Mr. Halvorsen stated that he is opposed to Sunoco's project, but that the Township must follow legal advice on how to proceed.

Dr. White stated he is opposed to the project.

Mrs. McIlvaine stated she is opposed to the project and that the overall Board of Supervisors is not in favor of the project.

Mr. Jim DeAngelis, 1124 Laurel Drive, stated that national experts are available, so the Township needs to find them and spend the money to oppose this project.

Ms. Heather Gerber, 1239 Greenhill Road, stated she is opposed to the project.

Ms. Ann Hendricks, 521 N. Veronica Road, stated that she believes her property value decline due to this project.

Mr. Thomas Middlebrooks, 1209 Trafalgar, asked the Board of Supervisors to oppose the project with this most recent intervention.

Ms. Lilli Middlebrooks, 1209 Trafalgar, stated that the Board needs to find expert witnesses now and that the Board needs to officially oppose the project in its intervention filing.

Mr. Sam Tollucci, Victoria Lane, stated the Board of Supervisors needs a sense of urgency regarding this issue and to oppose it.

On a second motion, regarding the Sunoco amended petition, by Mr. Corvo, seconded by Dr. White, the Board unanimously agreed to not only intervene in the amended petition, but oppose Sunoco's petition before the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission.

Joseph Gleason, Chief of Police, gave the Police Report for the month of April 2014.

Ms. Andrea Testa gave the Fire Marshal Report for the month of April 2014. Ms. Testa also gave the report for Good Fellowship Ambulance Company and the Goshen Fire Company.

Mr. Beswick gave the Building Official's Report for the month of April 2014.

Mr. Halvorsen announced that the 2014 Earth Day cleanup netted 2,400 pounds of trash, including 27 tires.

Mrs. McIlvaine announced that the Board of Supervisors held an executive session on May 14, 2014 to discuss litigation.

Mr. Murphy stated that the second of two public meetings on the Rosedale Traffic Corridor occurred recently and that a working committee of municipal and West Chester University officials planned to meet tomorrow to discuss moving ahead with finalizing the report and making recommendations to the various municipalities.

On a motion by Dr. White, seconded by Mr. Corvo, the Board agreed to hold a special Board meeting to discuss the Roslyn traffic situation at 7:00 PM on Thursday, June 12, 2014.

Mr. LaLonde stated the following Zoning Hearing announcement:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Zoning Hearing Board of West Goshen Township will conduct a public hearing on **Wednesday , May 28, 2014 at 7:00 P.M.** at the Township Administration Building, 1025 Paoli Pike,

West Chester, PA 19380. The hearing will be held in the public meeting room on the second floor of the building, at which time the following Zoning Hearing Board Application will be heard:

ZHB 5-14: The applicant and legal owners are Anthony and Roseanne Sume, 433 North New Street, West Chester, PA 19380. The property for which the application is made consists of a 40,079 square foot lot located at 828 South High Street; being Tax Parcel No. 52-5P-29, and is zoned R-3 Residential. The Applicant is seeking variance relief from the following: Section 84-13A (5) Lot width at street line: 50 feet minimum. Further, the applicant requests any other relief necessary to create a second lot with a lot width at street line of 34.5 feet.

Mr. Craig stated that it is his professional opinion that the Township should oppose the application, as the situation variance is not de minimis and that the property owners face no hardship if the petition is not granted by the Zoning Hearing Board. Mr. LaLonde recommended that the Board authorize Mr. Craig to appear at the Zoning Hearing to oppose the petition.

On a motion by Dr. White, seconded by Mr. Halvorsen, the Board authorized Mr. Craig to attend the Zoning Hearing on this matter and oppose the petition.

On a motion by Dr. White, seconded by Mr. Murphy, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Board of Supervisors meeting minutes of April 9, 2014.

On a motion by Mrs. McIlvaine, seconded by Dr. White, the Board unanimously approved the Treasurer's Report dated March 31, 2014, for the General Fund, the Sewer Revenue Fund, the Waste and Recycling Fund, and the Capital Reserve Fund, and the bills to be paid from these funds.

David Franco, West Goshen Township resident and Eagle Scout, presented his Eagle Scout project. He intends to have installed additional signage for the historic Weeping Beech Tree, located on Old Fern Hill Road near the Fern Hill Medical Center. He asked for assistance from Township staff on applying for sign permits and permission to sell the existing supply of Weeping Beech portraiture still in the Township's possession at upcoming Township events. The Board was affirmative on all requests and wished David well with his project.

Township Solicitor Kristin Camp briefly presented the possible Ordinance amendment to allow for the "Fort Worth" style wireless communications towers. The "Fort Worth" towers are constructed to be a monopole attached to an existing electric high tension wire tower, as currently located in the northern areas of the Township. On a motion by Mr. Murphy, seconded by Dr. White, the Board voted to move ahead with advertising to conduct the hearing at the June 11, 2014 Board of Supervisors meeting.

A brief discussion of the Warren Road parking survey conducted recently by the West Goshen Police Department occurred. There was a consensus of the Board to move ahead with notifying the four residences impacted by the Police Department memorandum and recommendation to limit parking for safety reasons on Warren Avenue. Chief Gleason and Mr. LaLonde will coordinate to contact the neighborhood and invite them to a future Board meeting at which the topic will be discussed again.

On a motion by Mr. Halvorsen, seconded by Mrs. McIlvaine, the Board approved the Quaker Ridge Maintenance and Security Agreement.

On a motion by Mr. Halvorsen, seconded by Dr. White, the Board approved the 2014 Paving Project bid for low bidder Alan A. Myers in the amount of \$816,310.83.

Contractor	Bid Amount
Alan A. Myers, Inc.	\$816,310.83
Innovative Construction Services, Inc.	\$830,365.05
Reading Site Contractors	\$876,945.30

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On a motion by Mr. Halvorsen, seconded by Dr. White, the Board approved the 2014 Pavement Line Markings bid for low bidder Alpha Space Control in the amount of \$64,754.90.

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Alpha Space Control	\$64,754.90

On a motion by Mr. Murphy, seconded by Dr. White, the Board approved a proposal by Schnabel Engineering to conduct an inspection of the three dams for the Woodlands at Greystone Subdivision and Land Development project in the amount of \$15,000.

On a motion by Mrs. McIlvaine, seconded by Dr. White, the Board approved a proposal by Peter R. Johnson & Company to conduct a West Goshen Township non-uniformed employee compensation study in the amount of \$19,700.

On a motion by Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Halvorsen, the Board approved the revised Budget Internal Control Policy.

Mr. Robert Brochet, 600 Warren Road, requested that his written statement be attached to the Board of Supervisors meeting minutes of March 12, 2014.

Mr. Jim Kellican, General Cornwallis Drive in Westtown Township, asked why the Roslyn traffic discussion was not included in the Rosedale Corridor Traffic Study. Mr. Murphy stated that the Roslyn traffic situation will be discussed as part of an overall larger Rosedale Corridor discussion.

There being no further business, on motion by Dr. White, seconded by Mr. Murphy, the meeting was adjourned at 9:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Casey LaLonde
Township Secretary