WEST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING JUNE 10, 2015

Township Supervisors:

Mrs. Patricia B. McIlvaine. Chairman

Mr. Theodore J. Murphy, Esq., Vice-Chairman

Mr. Raymond H. Halvorsen. Member

Mr. Edward G. Meakim, Jr., Member

Township Officials:

Mr. Casey LaLonde, Township Manager

Mr. Derek Davis, Assistant Township Manager

Mr. Richard J. Craig. Township Engineer

Mr. William E. Webb. Zoning Officer

A regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of West Goshen Township was called to order by Chairman Patricia B. McIlvaine, at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 10, 2015 at the West Goshen Township Administration Building. Mrs. McIlvaine opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Chief Joseph Gleason gave the Police Report for the month of May 2015.

Ms. Andrea Testa, Fire Marshal, gave the Fire Marshal Report for the month of May 2015. Ms. Testa also gave the report for Good Fellowship Ambulance Company and the Goshen Fire Company and gave the Building Inspection Activity Report for May 2015.

Mr. Webb provided an update of recent Zoning activity. Mr. Webb stated that the West Chester University Alumni House variances were granted by the Township Zoning Hearing Board on May 14, 2015. He stated that variance application by the property owner at 131 Chatwood Avenue to allow the property to store landscape equipment in the existing garage was granted by the Zoning Hearing Board on May 28, 2015. He stated that the variance application by the property owner at 512 Susan Drive to allow maximum lot coverage of 31% was granted by the Zoning Hearing Board on May 28, 2015. Mr. Webb stated there were no new applications at this time.

Mr. Webb discussed the Wholesale Sales Zoning Text Amendment by stating that the property owner of 19 Haggerty Boulevard had signed a lease with a landscape wholesale company that sells turf and other related items, although Township Zoning does specifically allow wholesale sales in the Zoning District, even though several other similar properties are conducting wholesale sales currently. Mr. Webb recommended a Zoning Text Amendment to allow Wholesale Sales in all Industrial Districts. The Board concurred to hold a Hearing on July 8, 2015.

Mr. Webb discussed a proposed "Keeping of Chickens" Ordinance amendment to address the current prohibition of keeping chickens in Township Residential Districts. The Board concurred to allow Township staff to draft an Ordinance Amendment and submit it to the Township Planning Commission and County Planning Commission to address the keeping of chickens.

On a motion by Mr. Halvorsen, seconded by Mr. Meakim, the Board unanimously approved the Board of Supervisors meeting minutes of May 13, 2015.

On a motion by Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Meakim, the Board unanimously approved the Treasurer's Report dated May 31, 2015, 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.

Mr. LaLonde stated that the Township had recently conducted a compensation study with local compensation consulting firm Peter R. Johnson Company. The most recent compensation study was completed in 2002. On a motion by Mr. Halvorsen, seconded by Mr. Murphy, the Board unanimously approved the findings of Peter R. Johnson Company and agreed to have compensation studied at least every five years in order to keep the Township competitive. Mr. Halvorsen stated that the firm used many comparable salary and compensation studies in both the public and private sectors to compile comparable salary and compensation numbers for Township staff.

On a motion by Mr. Halvorsen, seconded by Mrs. McIlvaine, the Board unanimously approved the execution of the 2015 Paving Project contract with Glasgow, Inc., in the amount of \$938,302.27.

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On a motion by Mr. Halvorsen, seconded by Mrs. McIlvaine, the Board unanimously approved the execution of the 2015 Pavement Line Markings Project contract in the amount of \$76,308.40 for Alpha Space Control, Inc.

Mr. Halvorsen stated that the Pavement Line Markings bid is put out annually in conjunction with East Goshen Township and Westtown Township and that West Goshen Township's portion of the overall contract is approximately sixty percent (60%) or \$45,785.04.

Mr. LaLonde stated that he had received a signed petition from all five residential property owners in the 100 block of South Five Points Road, requesting a PECO street light be installed by PECO. There is no cost to the Township for installation or electricity. On a motion by Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Meakim, the Board voted unanimously to approve the installation.

On a motion by Mrs. McIlvaine, seconded by Mr. Murphy, the Board unanimously voted to hold a Conditional Use Hearing for the removal of the gates at The Arbours subdivision on July 8, 2015, the next regularly scheduled Board meeting.

On a motion by Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mrs. McIlvaine, the Board voted unanimously to approve Resolution 8-2015, establishing a 25 MPH speed limit on North New Street between the West Chester Borough line and the Rt. 322 Bypass.

A resident asked about the status of the parking meters on the Borough's portion of Rosedale Avenue and if the Borough intended to remove the parking meters. Mr. Murphy responded that as part of the Rosedale Corridor Study, one of the key items to improve traffic flow on Rosedale was to remove the Borough's parking meters and make line striping changes to the street. Mr. Murphy stated that the Township, in conjunction with West Chester University and the Borough, were in discussions to implement many of the changes called for in the Rosedale Corridor Study.

Mr. Steve Tessler, 306 Westtown Road, had complaints about Keystone Collections Group., Chester County's Earned Income Tax Collector. Mr. Tessler stated that he received a delinquent notice from Keystone Collections regarding for his unpaid 2011 through 2015 local Earned Income Taxes and did not appreciate the tone of the letter and that he will be seeking relief for the accrued penalties and interest.

Several residents of Rhoades Avenue stated that they were worried about the Ram's Diner under renovation at the corner of Rhoades Avenue and High Street, specifically about overflow parking and noise overnight. The Board reassured the residents that the situation would be monitored closely for parking and noise complaints.

There being no further business, on motion by Mrs. McIlvaine, seconded by Mr. Murphy, the meeting was adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Casey LaLonde Township Secretary