

# UWCHLAN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETINGS JUNE 2008

**JUNE 9, 2008**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Frederick W. Gaines and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Supervisors: Frederick W. Gaines, Joseph E. Toner and Milton H. Bozarth; Township Manager Doug Hanley; Building/Zoning Officer Tom Cooke; Township Secretary Lynda Phiel; Township Treasurer Susan Bernhard; Fire Marshal Mike Holmes; Township Solicitor Guy Donatelli and Chief Pontarelli.

Minutes: *The minutes of May 19, 2008 were approved by a motion made by Mr. Toner and seconded by Mr. Bozarth. Mr. Gaines asked for public comment. There being none, the motion was carried.*

## BUSINESS:

### REPORTS:

Police: Chief Pontarelli reported that there were 392 traffic citations issued, 14 criminal arrests and 35 auto accidents during the month of May.

Treasurer: Ms. Bernhard has submitted her report for the month of May. The following is a list of revenues and expenses:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Revenues</u>	<u>Expenses</u>
General	\$1,315,478.93	_____ \$ 627,177.57
Hydrant	2,688.97	7,974.00
State Liquid Fuel	-0-	23,283.77
Sewer	262,448.02	122,577.58

Ms. Bernhard reported that the Township has collected 54% of its budgeted revenues and spent 41% of its budgeted expenditures.

Road Department: Mr. Hanley reported that for the month of May the Road Department completed the paving projects in Valley View, Pine Creek and Denbeigh Ln.; repaired and replaced signs; and serviced and repaired various equipment.

Mr. Hanley also noted that the bid amount for road materials was \$39/ton in February. This past week, the amount per ton was up \$49. Fortunately, the Township had anticipated the increase and purchased additional road materials.

Sanitation Department: Mr. Hanley reported that for the month of May:

Daily Average Flow	
Downingtown	1.62 million gpd

There were no sewer connections to DARA or the Eagleview Plant during the month of May.

The Township has received 4.21 inches of precipitation during the month of May. Year-to-date, there is an excess of .08 inches.

Fire Marshal: Mr. Holmes reported that he answered 27 fire calls during the month of May, 9 of which were during work hours; spent 5 hours of work time handling Fire Department activity; and reviewed plans for commercial buildings and inspected those under construction.

Lionville Fire Co.: Mr. Holmes reported that the Fire Company answered 48 alarms during the month of May, 26 of which were in Uwchlan Township. Also the new fire truck has been ordered with expected delivery in November.

Uwchlan Ambulance Corps: Mr. Toolan reported the Ambulance Corps responded to 260 calls during the month of May, 82 of which were in Uwchlan Township. In April, Mr. Toolan reported that the number of calls were up by 20% for the first couple of months of 2008. Now the numbers seem to be leveling off, and are comparable to those during past years.

Eagle Scout Presentation: Nathaniel William Hiscock

The Board members congratulated Nathaniel and gave him a Certificate recognizing his accomplishment.

Hankin Group:

1. Wharton Blvd. - Street Lighting: Concept

During previous meetings, the Hankin Group requested permission on behalf of the Eagleview Homeowners Association, to place street lights along Wharton Blvd. between the Town Center and the apartments. At that time, the Board members asked that they consider alternative fixtures.

Mr. Guarini stated that the Hankin Group has looked at alternate lighting methods, but have concluded that the original proposal, 8 Bishop Hook fixtures on 14 foot poles, is the most efficient. The lights will go on at dusk and be turned off around midnight, although this time can be adjusted. The Hankin Group intends to put up the lights, maintain them for a while and then turn over the maintenance of them to the Homeowner's Association.

Mr. Toner asked how the maintenance would be memorialized. Mr. Guarini answered that there would be a written agreement between them and the Association.

Mr. Gaines, again, said he feels the lights are unnecessary. He asked if the people were surveyed. Why would we put up lights for only a few people? Mr. Guarini said that the Homeowner's Association approached them with the request so they currently do not have that information, but will find out if a survey was taken and the results, if any, before the next meeting.

Mr. Toner asked Mr. Cooke if the lights that are proposed meet the requirements of Township Ordinances. Mr. Cooke said they did not. If, however, the lights put in are like those currently in front of the Live Works units and are similarly located, i.e. not in any utility easement or right-of-way, they will meet the Ordinance requirements.

Mr. Toner and Mr. Bozarth both said they are in favor of the proposal conceptually.

No motion was required.

2. Plan Subdivision Submission: Lot #51

The plan has been submitted to the Township for the subdivision of Lot #51. The Applicant did not bring a copy.

The plan will be sent out for reviews.

#### Clover Mill Pump Station - Plan of Study: Act 537 Revisions

West Whiteland and Uwchlan Township have been working on improving the Clover Mill Pump Station over the last three years, but it still needs more work. Tom Brown, of Gannett Fleming, has proposed that it will cost approximately \$20,000 for Uwchlan's portion of the Act 537 study and will take about 5-6 months. As part of the study the Act 537 Revisions will be submitted to the State for a rebate of 50% of the cost.

*Mr. Toner made a motion to approve the plan of study as presented and Mr. Bozarth seconded. Mr. Gaines asked for public comment. There being none, the motion was carried.*

#### Recreational Plan for Hoffecker Property: Route 113

The Park & Recreation Board has recommended that the Hoffecker House and garage be removed and a full court basketball area be built on the property. Also 21 parking spaces will be added with retention of as many trees as possible.

The Board members mentioned that if at all possible they would like to see the garage remain for storage purposes. They also asked if consideration could be made to have a half court basketball area instead of full court, which would provide more flexibility in design alternatives.

Steve Swymer, 200 Reber Cr., asked if the Township considered building a skateboard park. Mr. Gaines explained that the use was considered, but the Park & Recreation Board felt a basketball court was best for this location.

Township staff will ask E.B. Walsh to take another look at the design and possibly consider several alternate plans.

#### Moser/Rossi - Preliminary Plan: Time Extension Until 9/15/08

The Township has received a letter from Ted Moser granting an extension to the Township to render a decision for the Moser/Rossi tract until September 15, 2008.

#### Resolution 2008-11 - Rossi - Route 113/W. Devon Dr.: Final Subdivision Plan

Bob Worthington of Chester Valley Engineers presented the final simple subdivision plan for the Rossi property located on the corner of W. Devon Dr. and Route 113. The front property, approximately 19.5 acres is zoned commercial and will be retained by the Rossi family while the rear lot, approximately 23.4 acres is zoned residential.

The Applicant has complied with all of the comments from E.B. Walsh dated May 13, 2008.

*Mr. Toner made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2008-11 and approve the final subdivision plan of the Estate of Anthony Rossi, as discussed, and Mr. Bozarth seconded. Mr. Gaines asked for public comment. There being none, the motion was carried.*

#### Resolution No. 2008-12 - Exton Tire: Final Plan

The Plan for the Exton Tire was approved at a previous meeting. This Resolution is the formal acceptance of the plan.

*Mr. Toner made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2008-12 and Mr. Bozarth seconded. Mr. Gaines asked for public comment. There being none, the motion was carried.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. 06/12 & 7/10 - Historical Commission @Cadwalader House - 7:30 p.m.
2. 06/18 - Zoning Hearing Board - Sign Variances for Target & Old Village Plaza - Decision for Applebee's Restaurant - 7 p.m.
3. 06/26 - Historical Commission Walking Tour of the Lionville Historic District- 6p.m.
4. 07/02- Planning Commission- 7:30 p.m.
5. 07/12 - Community Day - 4 p.m.
6. 07/14 - Board of Supervisors - 7:30 p.m.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

Alex Helmy from Alladin Food Market located in the Marchwood Shopping Center, requested permission to allow 4 outside tables for customers to sit, drink coffee and smoke hookah pipes. This would occur during hours when the other stores on either side of them will be closed so as to not interfere with their customers. The pipes will be provided at a small charge.

Mr. Toner asked Mr. Helmy to draw up a plan to present to Mr. Cooke, Township Zoning Officer, which would show how the tables would be arranged, list hours of operation and include pictures of a hookah pipe. Mr. Cooke will take a look at the plans to see if the proposal meets Township Ordinance requirements.

Mr. Swymer asked if the Township considered the request he made last month to look into placing calming devices on some of the residential streets within the Township. He is concerned that there are speeding cars traversing Township roadways, especially those close to schools and parks, i.e. Devon Dr. He said that it is not a police issue; the police shouldn't have to set up speed traps. He would like to see something permanent.

Mr. Gaines stated that the Township's statistics for Devon Dr. do not show a problem. Chief Pontarelli supported Mr. Gaines' statement by providing numbers from a recent speed study done along Devon Dr. Out of 557 vehicles, the average speed was approximately 26 mph. He suggested Mr. Swymer come in to the office to look at the data.

Mr. Bozarth cautioned Mr. Swymer that, in the future, he should not make inflammatory remarks about how unsafe the roads are in the Township. The data collected does not support his remarks. Mr. Bozarth doesn't want residents to think that the roads in Uwchlan are unsafe.

*There being no other business, Mr. Toner made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:27 p.m. Mr. Bozarth seconded and the motion was carried.*

Respectfully submitted,

Lynda Phiel  
Township Secretary

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