

UWCHLAN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETINGS MAY 2008

MAY 19, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Vice-Chairman Joseph E. Toner and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

Minutes: *The minutes of April 28, 2008, which were previously given to the Board for review, were approved by a motion by Mr. Bozarth and seconded by Mr. Toner. Mr. Toner asked for public comment. There being none, the motion was carried.*

REPORTS:

Police: Chief Pontarelli reported that there were 289 traffic citations issued, 23 criminal arrests and 31 auto accidents with a total of 1475 incidents during the month of April.

Mr. Toner wanted to congratulate Detective Phil Owen on his letter of Recognition from the President of Freedom Medical, Inc. for the investigation and arrest of several former employees who had committed company fraud and theft.

He also discussed the removal of the face plate on a gas pump to obtain credit information at the Wawa on Rutgers Drive and Route 100. Chief Pontarelli reported this is an ongoing investigation.

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

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Revenues</u>	<u>Expenses</u>
General	\$1,014,341.25	\$ 636,532.93
Hydrant	30,244.11	7,974.00
State Liquid Fuel	421,932.75	4,595.69
Sewer	413,858.06	90,982.49

Ms. Bernhard reported that the Township has collected 37% of its budgeted revenues and spent 33% of its budgeted expenditures.

Road Department: Mr. Hanley reported that for the month of April, the Road Department did the necessary repairs on Devon Drive and Pine Creek Roads as well as corrected the drainage problem on Cobleskill Lane in preparation for the milling project. They completed the work on the Filman Road retention basin. Also, they performed State inspections on vehicles and serviced and repaired various equipment.

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

Daily Average Flow:
Downingtown 1.56 million gpd

There were no new sewer connections to DARA or the Eagleview Plant during the month. The Township has received 3.49 inches of precipitation. Year-to-date, there is a surplus of .5 inches.

Fire Marshal: Mr. Holmes reported that he answered 17 fire calls during the month of April, seven of which were during work hours; spent approximately five hours of work time on Fire Company business; continued reviewing plans and doing inspections for commercial buildings. Attended 40 hours of National Incident Management System training.

Lionville Fire Co.: Mr. Holmes reported that the Fire Co. answered 38 alarms during the month of April for a total of 185 y.t.d. Twenty-four alarms were in Uwchlan, 3 in Upper Uwchlan, 4 in West Pikeland and 7 in other Townships bringing that total to 105. He also reminded everyone that the 20th annual golf outing will be held on June 14, 2008 and Community Day is scheduled for July 12, 2008.

Mr. Toner asked Mr. Holmes if he had seen the letter from Laura Obenski complaining about the ringing of the fire alarm. Mr. Holmes replied yes, and that he was looking into a solution.

Uwchlan Ambulance Corps: Mr. Toolan reported that the Ambulance Corps responded to 231 calls during the month of April, 68 of which were in Uwchlan Township. Mr. Toolan also reported that they are still interviewing candidates for Executive Director.

The Board accepted the reports as submitted.

BUSINESS:

Receipt of Bids for 1995 Ford Pickup and 1988 Chevy Dump Trucks:

Mr. Hanley reported the following bids were received:

1995 Ford Pickup Truck

Tom Fortmann - \$2627
Richard Wilson - \$2300
John Maloney - \$2260

1988 Chevy Dump Truck

Richard Wilson - \$3650

Mr. Bozarth made a motion to award the Ford truck to the highest bidder, Tom Fortmann, for \$2627 and the Chevy Truck to the lone bidder, Richard Wilson, for \$3650 and Mr. Toner seconded. Mr. Toner asked for public comment. There being none, the motion was carried.

Resolution No. 2008-10:

Mr. McNamara, the Township's Emergency Director, presented the revised Emergency Operations Plan (EOP). This Plan totally replaces the 2003 EOP. The new Plan is prepared in accordance with PEMA model plan and reflects the latest guidance concerning the integration of National Incident Management System (NIMS) principles and procedures into all levels of emergency management plans.

Mr. Bozarth made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2008-10 as described by Mr. McNamara and Mr. Toner seconded. Mr. Toner asked for public comment. There being none, the motion was carried.

The Hankin Group:

1. Eagleview Crossing and Hotel & Restaurant - Mr. Hanley reported that the Township had received a letter from The Hankin Group granting a time extension until August 11, 2008 for the Board to render a decision on the preliminary plan.
2. Wharton Boulevard Street lights - Mr. Guarini, representing The Hankin Group, explained that they are still looking at some options and will return at a later date to discuss.

Adam Fonteccio of 469 Wharton Boulevard, agreed with The Hankin Group that some type of street lighting is necessary.

3. Request for additional signage - Mr. Fuller, representing The Hankin Group, presented a plan for 25 additional signs from Route 100 to the Town Center. The three different signs will make it easier to find the Town Center, its businesses and the Claremont Apartments as well as make it easier for people to find their way out of the Center to Route 100. The current signs are not close enough to the roadway, are not bright enough and do not look like directional signs. Mr. Fuller would work with Mr. Cooke to change the restriction of not having signs within 6' of the right-of-way. He also mentioned they would like pedestrian crosswalks at the intersections of PA and Eagleview, Rice and PA and Stockton and Rice.

Mr. Toner said this request was a lot to consider and could take up to 8 weeks to review. Mr. Fuller thanked the Board for their time and said he would like a decision as soon as possible.

Exton Tire - Uwchlan Avenue: Final Plan

Mr. Hanley suggested the Board look at the May 7th Planning Commission minutes wherein this land development plan was discussed and recommended for approval contingent on compliance with the May 5, 2008, E.B.Walsh letter and the approval of the relocated stormwater basin. Mr. Hanley reported that these items have been completed per E. B. Walsh's letter of May 13, 2008. The owners, Peter and Brian Fay, were introduced.

Mr. Bozarth made a motion to approve the Exton Tire Final Land Development Plan in accordance with the May 13, 2008 E. B. Walsh letter. Mr. Toner seconded the motion. Mr. Toner asked for public comment. There being none, the motion was carried.

Vanguard Rt. 100 & PA Turnpike: Plan Submission

Mr. Cooke described Phase I as having two, 4 story buildings 220,000 s.f. each. The parking garage is smaller and is now only 2 levels, both at grade.

Mr. Toner accepted the plan for the Board and said it will now be sent out to the Township's reviewing agencies.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. 05/21 - Zoning Hearing Board - 7 p.m. - Applebees signs
2. 05/22 - Codes Appeal Board - 7 p.m. - Target
3. 06/04 - Planning Commission - 7:30 p.m.
4. 06/09 - Board of Supervisors - 7:30 p.m.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR QUESTIONS AND COMMENT

Mr. Swymer of 200 Reber Circle, discussed the amount of traffic and the problem of speeding in Uwchlan Township, specifically on Devon Drive where there is a YMCA, High School and Lionville Park. He would like the Township to consider putting in speed bumps near schools and park. He reiterated that the Township and Police do a great job.

Mr. Toner said all around the country there is research being done on calming devices to control the speeding problem. Speed bumps don't work because of emergency vehicles and the liability. Also, snow plows can shave them right off.

Mr. Swymer did not agree and believed the hundreds of kids in the area of schools and parks are more important than an occasional emergency vehicle using the road. He is going to check with other townships and see what they are using and how they are making out.

Mr. Bozarth said he agrees with Mr. Toner about not using speeding bumps.

The Board agreed to have the Township look at the issue.

There being no other business, Mr. Bozarth made a motion to adjourn at 8:25 p.m. Mr. Toner seconded and the motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynda Phiel
Township Secretary