

West Vincent Township  
Board of Supervisors Meeting

February 1, 2016 7:00 PM

Attendance: Chairman John Jacobs, Vice Chairman David Brown, Michael Schneider, Interim Township Manager Timothea Kirchner, Township Solicitor Joseph McGrory, Esq., Hamburg, Rubin, Mullin, Maxwell and Lupin and Township Secretary Tammy Swavely.

Mr. Jacobs called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Mr. Jacobs announced an Executive Session was held on January 28, 2016 to discuss personnel and on February 1, 2016 to discuss personnel and real estate.

Public Comment on non-Agenda items:

Harriet Stone, 1645 Birchrun Road asked permission to have a Historic Resource Committee event on the Underground Railroad properties in West Vincent. The Board supports this event and told her to work with office staff to plan a date.

Mark Krumenacker, 1147 Bartlett Lane asked about the boulders in the right-of-way on his road.

Sharon Davis, 932 Jaine Lane commented that Chester County has the most preserved land in Pennsylvania according to an article in the *Daily Local*.

Kit Trolier, 16 Hunt Hill Road commented on rocks as a hazard to snow vehicles.

Suzanne Roth, 1360 School House Lane thanked the Road Department for a job well done during the snow storm. She also commented on the good job David Monteith did assisting the road crew vehicle stuck in the 30" of snow.

Bob Niles, 611 Plum Lane commented that he feels that the streets are barely passable from the snow storm.

Suzanne Nastase, 120 Windgate Drive commented that the Township did a good job removing the snow and getting the roads clear.

Mrs. Stone commented that the state did not do a good job on removing the snow from their roads.

Kit Trolier commented on clearing the sidewalk to the elementary school.

Brian Curry, 512 Black Horse Road commented on Blackhorse Road costs.

Frances Ellis, 2823 Flowing Springs Road commented on rocks in the right-of-way.

Mr. Niles commented on the Weatherstone HOA with the single family homes.

**Approval of Minutes:**

The minutes of **January 18, 2016** were unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Schneider and a second by Mr. Brown.

**Reports:**

Township Manager Report: Ms. Kirchner reported on the record blizzard and how the Township staff worked together to keep the roads clear and safe. She stated that a Snow Disaster was declared on January 23<sup>rd</sup> at 2:00 AM which enabled the emergency services to act. Carroll Engineering is engineering the Fellowship Trail and the Natural Lands Trust has submitted a proposal to review the Township ordinances so that they are productive in protecting water quality at no cost to the Township. We are currently reviewing their proposal.

Active Subdivision List: There are no pending deadlines.

Bills List: Mr. Schneider made the motion to approve the Bills List dated 2/1/16 in the total amount of \$62,714.89. Mr. Brown seconded the motion. The Board answered some questions and the motion carried unanimously.

**Correspondence:**

The Chester County Solid Waste Authority has announced their 2016 Household Waste Collection Events. These dates will be posted on the Township website and on the bulletin board.

**Subdivision/Land Development:**

The Courts at Chester Springs Land Development: Pulte has requested a reduction in their Performance Bond No. S505547 for the Site Improvements Mr. Brown made the motion to forward this to Carroll Engineering for review and recommendation. Mr. Schneider seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Laymen's Home Missionary Lot Line Change: This lot line change is between two neighboring parcels at 1156 St. Matthews Road. No one was present to discuss the plan. One parcel is owned by Laymen's Missionary Home and is 13.9 acres. The other parcel owned by David Loundsbury which is 1.18 acres. Laymen's Home Missionary Movement has agreed to transfer approximately .8 acres so that Mr. Loundsbury would have 2 acres and then the shed that he is currently using would be on his property. The Township Engineer letter had no comments. The Chester County Planning Commission letter ask for a continuing offer of dedication for the right-of-way along Pughtown Road, which would be Penn DOT since it is a state road. Mr. McGrory stated that the County is asking for an 80' right-of-way and he would like to speak to the landowner to see how they feel about it. Ms. Shick stated that there is a stonewall along Miller Road that may be in the right-of-way. Mr. McGrory stated that the landowner cannot be forced to donate a right-of-way. He will speak with the owner to determine what his desires are. The Board directed Mr. McGrory to draft a resolution for the next Board meeting.

**Old Business:**

Ordinance 168-2016: Increasing the Park and Recreation Board to nine members: Mr. Jacobs made the motion to advertise Ordinance 168-2016 to increase the Park and Recreation Board to nine members. Mr. Brown seconded the motion. Mr. Jacobs stated that the reason he wants to increase the number is he feels that he made a mistake by not listening to the recommendations of the Park and Recreation Commission by renewing one of their members. There were many comments both for and against the increase. After listening to all the comments, Mr. Jacobs was not persuaded to change his mind. The motion carried with Mr. Jacobs voting yes, Mr. Brown voting yes, and Mr. Schneider voting no.

The 1997 Case Extindahoe was placed on Municibid for sale. After a lengthy discussion on if enough was offered or not, Mr. Brown made the motion to accept the bid from Domenic Disantis in the total amount of \$17,609.00. Mr. Mr. Schneider seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

**New Business:**

Resolution 6-2016: Chester County Hazzard Mitigation Plan: Mr. McGrory explained that when the President declares a State of Disaster this makes Townships eligible for funding through FEMA and PEMA. The County has developed a plan that the Township can opt into to receive disaster funds. Mr. Schneider made the motion to approve Resolution 6-2016: Chester County Hazzard Mitigation Plan 2015 as submitted. Mr. Brown seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Trustee for Delaware Valley Health Trust: A new trustee needs to be appointed for DVHT. Mr. Schneider made the motion to appoint Timothea Kirchner as the Trustee for the Delaware Valley Health Trust. Mr. Brown seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Road Master Position: Mr. Jacobs stated that he was looking for a motion for the termination of the Road Master David Monteith effective immediately. Mr. Brown made the motion. Mr. Jacobs seconded the motion. Ms. Shick asked why. Mr. Jacobs stated that it was a private personnel matter. The motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned 8:27 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tammy Swavely  
Township Secretary