

West Vincent Township
Board of Supervisors Meeting

March 10, 2014 7:30 PM

Attendance: Chairman Kenneth Miller, Jr., Vice Chairman David Brown, John Jacobs, Stephen Siana of Siana, Bellwoar & McAndrew, LLP, Township Solicitor, and Township Manager James Wendelgass and Township Secretary Tammy Swavely.

Chairman Miller called the meeting to order at 7:32 PM.

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items:

Francis Ellis 2853 Flowing Springs Road commented on the proposed Stormwater Ordinance stating she feels that it is a lot for a homeowner to be concerned about.

Brian Curry 512 Blackhorse Road asked questions on the COSTARS Salt Contract and how much salt the Township plans to purchase next year. He also wanted to know how much salt we have left and how much the shed holds. Mr. Miller stated he is not sure how much we have left since it is difficult to estimate, but he thinks it is about 200 tons, and the salt shed holds about 950 tons. There was a discussion on how the Township purchases salt.

Mr. Jacobs referenced Mrs. Ellis' comment on the Stormwater Ordinance. He informed her that the ordinance is mandated by DEP and the County. The Township only has a small input into the process. Mrs. Ellis does not think it is fair. Mr. Jacobs directed her to speak with the County Commissioners. **Harriet Stone, 1645 Birchrun Road** commented that it depends on the shape and size of the lot, neighboring properties could be affected without this type of ordinance. **Andy Davis, 2334 Beaver Hill Road** stated that he makes his living building structures and it will affect his business, but feels that the EPA is governing this and to make your voice heard, you should vote in the Presidential Election. **Suzanne Roth, 1360 Schoolhouse Lane** stated that she does not know a lot about this issue, but knows that Philadelphia Water Authority has a top notch water management program and we should ask the county to look at theirs. Mr. Miller suggested that she contact the County Commissioners with this suggestion. **Sara Shick 1201 Davis Lane** stated that the Township had revised the Township Ordinances to require Pennsylvania Best Management Practices and that now the state has implemented additional requirements. **Michael Schneider 230 Trego Road** asked if there was a date by which the Township was required to adopt this ordinance. Mr. Wendelgass informed him that it was to be done by January 1, 2014, but only 15 of the 72 municipalities in Chester County had it done by then. There is no penalty for not adopting it but it would cause problems with any DEP permits in the future. This is a Chester County Ordinance that is somewhat uniform throughout the county. West Vincent Township has made some changes, but they are not significant.

Maria Jacobs, 2351 Beaver Hill Road commented on the Year End Budget vs. Actual on the website. She asked if she could have the Township provide a summary for her so that she didn't have to go through each category herself. Mr. Wendelgass stated that the Township has not done

this in the past and can be difficult to do depending on what is focused on. There is a very detailed document on the website that shows all income and expenses which should be self-explanatory. Mrs. Jacobs would like a report in each category with reasons for the income increases and expense decreases. Mr. Jacobs will discuss this with Mr. Wendelgass to see if he can come up with what she is looking for.

George Dulchinos 1415 Hollow Road asked what the next step for the property on Schoolhouse Road now that the Township purchased it. Mr. Miller stated that the Township will be advertising for someone to come tear the sheds down and reuse the lumber. The Township has not decided what it will do with the future parkland. Ms. Roth suggested that the Township leave the concrete slab there for a base for picnic tables. Mr. Miller stated that once the buildings are removed, he can look at the concrete to see if it is worth saving.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of **February 24, 2014** were unanimously approved as corrected, changing the solicitor in the attendance to *Michael Crotty*, on a motion by Mr. Jacobs and a second by Mr. Brown.

Reports (full copies are attached):

Township Manager Report: The Township Manager Report for the period ending 3/10/2014 was acknowledged as submitted.

Road Master Report: Mr. Miller read the attached Road Master Report for the month of February which was acknowledged as received.

Active Subdivision List: No pending deadlines.

Bills List: Mr. Brown made the motion to approve the Bills List dated 3/10/14 in the total amount of \$217,810.88. Mr. Jacobs seconded the motion. The Board answered some questions and the motion carried unanimously.

Correspondence:

An invitation was acknowledged as received to the Uwchlan Ambulance Corps meeting on March 31 at 7:00 pm. This is for Board members and police departments and fire companies.

A thank you was acknowledged as received from PECO thanking the Township for its efforts during the ice storm in February. They are especially thankful for the close coordination that the emergency responders, public works personnel and administrative staff provided during the restoration efforts.

The Chester County Historic Commission Tour will include historic Birchrunville on July 10, 2014. Mr. Stone stated that permission is necessary to close the roads between 5:00-7:00 pm. If

the Board is okay with this, Penn DOT will close the road. The Board was agreeable to this road closure.

New Business:

Police Pension Plan: Changes are necessary to the police pension plan according to the plan holder, the Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement System. The new proposed changes will bring it up to date with current laws. An ordinance is necessary to make these changes. Mr. Brown made the motion that the Police Plan Ordinance be advertised for adoption. Mr. Jacobs seconded the motion, there was no public comment and the motion carried unanimously.

Conditional Use Hearing: A new conditional use application was received from Glenlin, LLC for 1825 Kimberton Road for a boarding stable and install improvements in high ground water areas. Mr. Brown made the motion that the Conditional Use Hearing date be April 28, 2014 at 7:00 pm. Mr. Jacobs seconded the motion. There was no public comment and the motion carried unanimously.

Road Material Bid: Road Material Bid has been prepared and ready for advertisement. Mr. Brown made the motion that the road material bid be advertised as submitted. Mr. Jacobs seconded the motion. There was no public comment and the motion carried unanimously.

Spring Park Use: Field uses have been submitted and a schedule has been prepared by Tammy Swavely. The Park and Recreation Commission have approved the use. Mr. Miller read the schedule into the record:

Rectangular Field Requests Spring 2014:

Monday: Coventry Lacrosse (April 1- June 15)
Tuesday: Coventry Soccer (April 3- October 30)
Wednesday: Coventry Lacrosse (April 1- June 15)
Thursday: Coventry Soccer (April 3- October 30)
Saturday: Coventry Lacrosse-9:30 am -1:30 pm (April 1- June 15)
Sunday: Women's Soccer-10 am – noon (March 30-June 15)
Sunday: Coventry Soccer-Noon-4:00 PM (April 6-November 9)

Baseball Field Request

GEYA Little League: Monday – Thursday evenings and Saturdays 9:00 am – 3:00 pm (March 24-June 27)

Mr. Brown made the motion to approve the Spring 2014 Field Use Schedule. Mr. Jacobs seconded the motion. There was no public comment and the motion carried unanimously.

Shredding Event: The Township hosts a Shredding Event each year. The proposed date is October 4, 2014. Mr. Jacobs made the motion to approve the Shredding Event at the Township parking lot. Mr. Brown seconded the motion. There was no public comment and the motion carried unanimously.

Park and Recreation Commission: The Park and Recreation Commission has a vacancy and the Commission has recommend Kristina Casey to fill that vacancy. Mr. Brown made the motion to appoint Kristina Casey to the Park and Recreation Commission. Mr. Jacobs seconded the motion. There was no public comment and the motion carried unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned 8:10 PM