

West Vincent Township  
Board of Supervisors Meeting

May 1, 2017

7:00 PM

Attendance: Chairman John Jacobs, Michael Schneider, Township Manager Erica Batdorf and Township Secretary Tammy Swavely.

Chairman John Jacobs called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Mr. Schneider made the motion to approve the April 17, 2017 minutes as submitted. Mr. Jacobs seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

**Reports:**

Township Manager Report: Ms. Batdorf gave her report for the period ending May 1, 2017 which was acknowledged as received. Sara Shick, 1201 Davis Lane asked why an easement was necessary on Fellowship Trail. Ms. Batdorf informed her that the trail is going through land that is owned by the West Vincent Land Trust in Upper Uwchlan Township. Mr. Jacobs asked Ms. Batdorf to find out if it is mandatory for the Board to schedule a Road Tour since there was an extensive Road Report done from last years and it is still in effect.

Police Report: Police Chief Swininger gave the April 2017 Police Report which was acknowledged as received.

Bills List: Mr. Schneider made the motion that the Bills List dated 5/1/2017 in the total amount of \$77,248.96 be approved as submitted. Mr. Jacobs seconded the motion. The Board answered some questions and the motion carried unanimously.

**Correspondence:**

Ms. Batdorf shared that Community Day is May 13, 2017 from 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM and announced the schedule of events.

**New Business:**

Electricity Supplier Contract: The Township electric supplier for energy generation has been with Constellation Energy which provides electricity for 250 Townships in the PA Municipal League Program and the renewal date is June 21, 2017. Staff has been researching other companies and obtained quotes. This is market driven and as of today, the prices were as follows from the following companies: Constellation Energy: .05456 kWh 48 months; .0557 kWh 36 months, .05770 24 months and .05752 for 12 months. On Demand Energy has found a supplier for the Township from WGL Energy Services, Inc.: .05475 kWh 36 months. These all

have 10% wind energy. The rate that is expiring is .0824 kWh so the market is doing better at this time. Brian Curry, 512 Black Horse Road asked if these companies have a Demand Rate since this can affect the bill. Mr. Jacobs stated that this does not have to be decided tonight, so he asked Ms. Batdorf to find out about this matter. George Dulchinos, 1415 Hollow Road asked how much energy the Township uses. Ms. Batdorf stated approximately 530,000 kWh. Ms. Shick stated that the rate may change if it is not approved now. The Board tabled the matter until the next meeting.

**Public Comment:**

Harriet Stone, 1645 Birchrun Road thanked the Board and the West Vincent Township Police Department for closing Hollow Road for the Annual Amphibian Crossing.

Mrs. Stone shared that she received a letter from the Columbia Pipe Line that they are doing work in their easement near her property. Mr. Jacobs asked Ms. Batdorf to contact Columbia Gas to see what they plan to do and to let the Board know. Mr. Curry shared that if they are adding corrosion protection it is a very important thing to do.

Ms. Shick asked about the progress of selling the sewer plants. Mr. Jacobs stated that it is moving forward and it may be done in 2017.

Ms. Shick asked when the Zoning Hearing was for Marc Duey. There is no date set at this time.

Ms. Shick shared that the Phoenixville Regional Planning Committee meeting reviewed its trail maps and agree that it is a map that will always be updating. They have comments to add to it and then will call it good for now. Once the Park and Recreation Commission do a map of publically eased trails they will add it to it.

Ms. Shick asked about the recent demolition of an historic resource. She stated that she has informed the Planning Commission that the zoning ordinances need to be tighten up. Ms. Stone added that the Zoning Officer has informed her that the historic information will now be added to the Township data base for reference.

Bob Graybus, Adelpia Lane thanked the Board of Supervisors for supporting the Zoning Officer's letter to Marc Duey and his denial for a permit.

Frances Ellis, 2823 Flowing Springs Road stated that she tried to donate to the Natural Lands Trust and could not find a West Vincent Township section. This is an issue to take up with the NLT.

Meeting adjourned 7:35 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tammy Swavely  
Township Secretary