

**WEST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING  
December 13, 2006**

A regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of West Goshen Township was called to order by Chairman Dr. Robert S. White at 4:02 p.m. on Wednesday, December 13, 2006, at the West Goshen Township Administration Building. All members were present. Dr. White opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Dr. White opened the floor for public comment.

Mr. Richard Perkoski, 848 S. New Street, stated that the field lights at Farrell Field on the campus of West Chester University have been turned on in the morning and every night in violation of the conditional use agreement with the Township. Ms. Sharon Lynn, Township Manager, said that the Township has received complaints about the lights and that the complaints have been addressed with Ms. Dee Giardina, Executive Director of Facilities Design and Construction at the University. Ms. Giardina will be contacted again pertaining to this latest issue with the lights.

Dr. Gerard Hertel from West Chester University, said that funds have been dedicated to the Gordon Natural Area on the campus of the University to deal with the threats to the area and that there is a DCNR grant for the demonstration of the effects of deer and invasive plants on the ecosystem. He said that the area will be expanded to 150 acres.

On motion by Dr. White, seconded by Mr. Meakim, the Board unanimously approved granting a continuance requested by Benson Companies for a conditional use hearing scheduled for this date to the date of February 28, 2007, at 4:00 p.m. on the condition that the Township receives a revised plan from their engineer.

On motion by Dr. White, seconded by Ms. McIlvaine, the Board unanimously approved granting a continuance for Pulte Homes on the Jerrehian tract for a period of one (1) year from the date of expiration of the current six month period extension granted on July 12, 2006, to a date of January 12, 2008.

Dr. White announced that on December 14, 2006, Senior Trash Rebate checks in the amount of \$176.00 each will be mailed to 41 residents who applied and were approved to receive a rebate as part of the Township's Trash Rebate Program.

Ms. Lynn announced that West Chester University will hold their graduation ceremony on Sunday, December 17, 2006 and that additional traffic can be expected in the area of the ceremony.

On motion by Ms. McIlvaine, seconded by Mr. Meakim, the Board unanimously approved the Board of Supervisors minutes from November 8 and November 15, 2006.

On motion by Mr. Meakim, seconded by Ms. McIlvaine, the Board unanimously approved the Treasurer's Report dated November 30, 2006 for the General Fund, the Sewer Revenue Fund, the Waste and Recycling Fund, and the Capital Reserve Fund, as well as the bills to be paid from the General Fund, the Sewer Fund, the Capital Reserve Fund, and the Waste and Recycling Fund.

Chief Michael Carroll gave the Police Report for the month of November 2006.

Mrs. Evelyn Baker, 900 Sheridan Drive, asked how many of the alarms in the Police Report were valid alarms and Chief Carroll responded that 12 calls were valid.

Ms. Andrea Testa, Fire Marshal, gave the Fire Marshal Report for the month of November 2006. Ms. Testa also gave the report for Good Fellowship Ambulance, Goshen Fire Company and the West Chester Fire Department.

Mr. John Beswick, Building Official, gave the Building Inspection Activity Report for November 2006.

Dr. White introduced Mr. Gerald Napiecek, Chairman of the Park and Recreation Board and Mr. Lee McFadden from the Friends of West Goshen Parks who presented certificates to the following sponsors of Park and Recreation events:

Silver Level: First National Bank of Chester County

Platinum Level: Commerce Bank  
Goshen Manor Apartments  
Goshen Terrace Apartments  
Park Valley Associates  
QVC

Community Day: Commerce Bank

Ms. Mitra Saffarian from Commerce Bank and Mr. John Featherman from First National Bank of Chester County were present to accept their certificates.

On motion by Dr. White, seconded by Ms. McIlvaine, the Board unanimously approved Resolution 31-06 setting the date of January 24, 2007, for a Public Hearing to consider a Text Amendment change to Chapter 84 of the West Goshen Township Zoning Ordinance to allow wireless communications facilities in the C-4 Special Limited Business and Apartment District by Conditional Use.

Mrs. Baker asked if this would include cell towers and Dr. White replied that it would. Ms. Lynn said that the Board will listen to and make a decision on the request at the hearing.

On motion by Dr. White, seconded by Ms. McIlvaine, the Board unanimously approved the adoption of the Waste and Recycling Fund Budget for 2007.

On motion by Dr. White, seconded by Ms. McIlvaine, the Board unanimously approved the Sewer Fund Budget for 2007.

Prior to the consideration of Resolution 32-06 adopting the General Fund Budget for 2007, Dr. White explained that the budget includes a 3% increase in salaries for employees, a 30% increase in healthcare costs and five miles of street paving for 2007. Mrs. Baker inquired about the healthcare costs and Dr. White said that employees will be required to pay 20% of the dependent costs in 2007 as compared to 10% in 2006. He added that the largest cost of the healthcare is for dependent coverage.

On motion by Dr. White, seconded by Ms. McIlvaine, the Board unanimously approved Resolution 32-06 adopting the General Fund Budget for 2007.

On motion by Dr. White, seconded by Ms. McIlvaine, the Board unanimously approved Resolution 33-06, establishing the Real Estate Tax at 1.5 mills for 2007.

Mr. Meakim stated that there has not been a tax increase for West Goshen Township residents in 12 of the last 13 years.

On motion by Ms. McIlvaine, seconded by Mr. Meakim, the Board unanimously approved a Final Land Development Plan for three office buildings totaling 38,600 square feet for D. Howell Development Corporation located at 698 Airport Road. Mr. Joseph Russella from D. Howell was present to represent the plan.

On motion by Dr. White, seconded by Ms. McIlvaine, the Board unanimously approved a Final Land Development Plan for four modular classrooms totaling 4,681 square feet for the West Chester Area School

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District at Glen Acres Elementary School located at 1150 Delancey Place. Mr. James Whitesel from the West Chester Area School District was present to represent the plan.

Dr. White opened the floor for public comment. No comments were made.

Dr. White announced that the Board will hold its annual Organizational meeting on January 2, 2007, at 5:00 p.m.

Dr. White wished everyone a Happy Holiday.

There being no further business, on motion by Ms. McIlvaine, seconded by Dr. White, the meeting was adjourned at 4:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra K. Turley  
Township Secretary