

WEST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING  
FEBRUARY 9, 2011

Township Supervisors:

Mr. Edward G. Meakim, Jr., Chairman  
Mrs. Patricia B. McIlvaine, Member

Township Officials:

Mr. Casey LaLonde, Township Manager  
Ms. Jeanne Denham, Finance Director  
Mr. Richard Craig, Township Engineer  
Mr. Raymond D. McKeeman, Zoning Officer

A regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of West Goshen Township was called to order by Chairman Edward Meakim at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 9, 2011 at the West Goshen Township Administration Building. Dr. White was absent. Mr. Meakim opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Chief Michael Carroll gave the Police Report for the months of December 2010 and January 2011.

Ms. Andrea Testa, Fire Marshal, gave the Fire Marshal Report for the months of December 2010 and January 2011. Ms. Testa also gave the report for Good Fellowship Ambulance Company and the Goshen Fire Company.

Mr. Ed Hunger, Building Official, gave the Building Inspection Activity Reports for December 2010 and January 2011.

Mrs. Evelyn Baker, 900 Sheridan Drive, asked how many single family dwelling (SFD) permits were issued during this period. Mr. Hunger responded that one SFD permit was issued in December and none in January.

Mr. Meakim opened the floor for public comment.

Mr. Bob Stratton, 860 Spruce Avenue, commended the Township Public Works Department on their handling of the recent snow storms. Mr. Stratton asked about the possibility of the Public Works Department using sand or other anti-skid material to reduce salt use. Mr. LaLonde responded that the Township's Streets Superintendent, Dave Woodward, and the Township's Public Works Director, Ray Halvorsen, are always looking for new and better ways to clear snow and make the roadways as safe as possible. Mr. LaLonde further explained that the use of anti-skid material would require the Township to conduct street sweeping at an additional cost.

Mr. Tom Casey, 1113 Windsor Drive, inquired about a line item in the Township budget for a shade structure at Community Park. Mr. LaLonde responded that the Board of Supervisors included funding in the 2011 General Fund budget to construct a shade structure for the Community Park's amphitheater. However, he further explained that the Township's Park & Recreation Board would rather see shade structures built at the Township's skatepark at Lambert Park.

Mrs. Evelyn Baker, 900 Sheridan Drive, asked if these shade structures would have to be put out to bid. Mr. LaLonde responded that unless the materials and installation are on the Pennsylvania COSTARS state contract, the entire project would be put out to bid. Mrs. McIlvaine reiterated the possibility of installing shade structures at the Township's skatepark.

Mrs. Shirley Colvin, 830 Spruce Avenue, asked if the shade structure was in the approved 2011 budget. Mr. LaLonde responded that the item was in the approved budget.

Mr. Walker Tompkins, 1245 Victoria Lane, stated that the Township's Louis E. Close Pistol Range, located on S. Concord Road, is not safe in its current condition.

Mr. Phillip Corvo, 863 Empress Road, stated that the Township's shooting range is deficient and that significant upgrades are needed to bring the range up to National Rifle Association standards for shooting ranges. Chief Carroll responded that due to Mr. Corvo's publication of a memo regarding the shooting range, all shooting related activity on the range is suspended until further notice.

Mr. Meakim read a list of Township employees who had perfect attendance for 2010 and thanked them for their dedication to the Township:

**Administration**

Ken Lehr  
Ray McKeeman  
Diane Clayton  
Tony DiRocco  
Cindy Haldeman  
Jennifer Conrad

**Roads**

Hugh Boyce  
John Brady  
Dave Woodward

**Parks**

Kent Wise  
Joseph Smith

**Police**

Michael J. Carroll  
Michael P. Carroll  
Gregory Stone  
Joseph Gleason

**Sewer**

Robert Gallagher  
John DeHaven  
John Scott

**Police Administration**

Paul Wilkins

Mrs. McIlvaine read several emails from Township residents, thanking and congratulating the Township's Public Works Department for a job well done during the past severe winter storms.

Mr. LaLonde made an announcement that long-time Roads Department employee Antonio Otero recently passed away after a long illness. Mr. LaLonde expressed his appreciation for Mr. Otero's commitment to the Township and how much he will be missed.

On motion by Mrs. McIlvaine, seconded by Mr. Meakim, the Board approved the Board of Supervisors minutes of December 15, 2010 and January 3, 2011.

On motion by Mrs. McIlvaine, seconded by Mr. Meakim, the Board approved the Treasurer's Reports dated December 31, 2010 and January 31, 2011 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 Capitol Reserve Fund and the Waste and Recycling Fund.

The possible approval of a Final Land Development Plan for a 1,200 square foot bath house for the Roslyn Swim Club located at 838 Spruce Avenue was tabled at the request of the applicant.

Mr. Ross Unruh, representing the West Chester Area School District presented the Board of Supervisors with a request to approve the elimination of the Westtown Thornbury Elementary School from the West Goshen Sewer Authority service area. Mr. Unruh presented a history of the various sewer service agreements and how the School District requests that all flows from this property go to the Westtown Township sewer plant.

Mr. Tom Casey, 1113 Windsor Drive, asked if the Township Sewer Authority would lose money by agreeing to this proposal. Mr. Unruh and Mr. LaLonde stated no, that no money would be lost by the Authority because the school currently uses an on-site septic system.

Mrs. Evelyn Baker, 900 Sheridan Drive, asked who was going to maintain the pump station associated with this project. Mr. Unruh stated that the school district is in the process of dedicating the pump station to Westtown Township.

On a motion by Mrs. McIlvaine, seconded by Mr. Meakim, the Board approved the request by the West Chester Area School District to eliminate the Westtown Thornbury Elementary School from the West Goshen Sewer Authority service area.

On a motion by Mr. Meakim, seconded by Mrs. McIlvaine, the Board approved the Final Land Development Plan for a 4,400 square foot building addition for the Fame Fire Company of West Chester, located at 200 East Rosedale Avenue.

On a motion by Mrs. McIlvaine, seconded by Mr. Meakim, the Board approved a Stormwater Facilities and Maintenance Monitoring Agreement for the Greystone South subdivision project.

Mrs. Evelyn Baker, 900 Sheridan Drive, asked if the stormwater facilities for this project are on private property. Mr. Craig stated that all of the stormwater facilities for this project are on private property.

On a motion by Mr. Meakim, seconded by Mrs. McIlvaine, the Board approved a Grant of Emergency Access Easement for the Greystone South subdivision project.

On a motion by Mrs. McIlvaine, seconded by Mr. Meakim, the Board approved a Stormwater Maintenance and Monitoring Agreement for the Quaker Ridge subdivision project.

On a motion by Mrs. McIlvaine, seconded by Mr. Meakim, the Board approved Ordinance No. 01-2011, amending the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 78, entitled, "Vehicles and Traffic" specifically Section 78-12 to establish the speed limit on certain streets in the Township:

<b>Name of Street</b>	<b>Speed Limit (mph)</b>	<b>Location</b>
Glen Avenue	25	Mallard Road to Schoolhouse Lane
Lincoln Avenue	15 (during school hours)	Maple Avenue to Garfield Avenue
Taylor's Mill Road	25	N. New Street to Dead End

On a motion by Mr. Meakim, seconded by Mrs. McIlvaine, the Board approved the Lochwood Chase Sewage Treatment Plant Elimination Project, as requested by East Goshen Township.

On a motion by Mr. Meakim, seconded by Mrs. McIlvaine, the Board approved the Hershey Mill and Reserve Pump Station Diversion Project, as requested by East Goshen Township.

Mr. Meakim opened the floor for public comment.

Mr. Phillip Corvo, 863 Empress Road, stated that he submitted a Right to Know request regarding the new Public Works building, including cost estimates, etc., and was surprised to find that no planning documents existed. Mr. LaLonde responded that all documents for the project were made available to Mr. Corvo for inspection.

Mr. Hank Whalen, 688 Normandy Court, asked about the shooting range use, as very frequently the published range schedule shows no activity, yet Police Officers are in fact using the range. He asked if the schedule is accurate, as the next date of use is Tuesday, February 15<sup>th</sup>.

Chief Carroll responded that the schedule is accurate and that no unauthorized use of the range occurs. Chief Carroll stated that as he has ordered the range schedule suspended for the time being, the February 15<sup>th</sup> date is suspended as well.

There being no further business, on motion by Mr. Meakim, seconded by Mrs. McIlvaine, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Casey LaLonde  
Township Secretary