

WEST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
NOVEMBER 9, 2011

Township Supervisors:

Mr. Edward G. Meakim, Jr., Chairman
Dr. Robert S. White, Vice-Chairman
Mrs. Patricia B. McIlvaine, Member

Township Officials:

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

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, November 9, 2011 at the West Goshen Township Administration Building. Mr. Meakim opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Chief Joseph Gleason gave the Police Report for the month of October 2011.

Ms. Andrea Testa, Fire Marshal, gave the Fire Marshal Report for the month of October 2011. Ms. Testa also gave the report for Good Fellowship Ambulance Company and the Goshen Fire Company.

Mr. John Beswick, Building Official, gave the Building Inspection Activity Report for October 2011.

Mr. Meakim opened the floor for public comment. There was no public comment.

Dr. White congratulated the winners of yesterday's municipal election in which Ted Murphy, Ray Halvorsen and Phillip Corvo were elected to the West Goshen Township Board of Supervisors.

Mr. LaLonde announced that the next monthly yard waste collections will occur on Saturday, November 12th, Saturday, December 3rd and Saturday, December 17th. Please place all yard and leaf waste at the curb by Friday evening to ensure collection. Mr. LaLonde also announced that the annual Breakfast with Santa will be held from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM on Saturday, December 17th at Fame Fire Company. If residents are interested in attending, please see the Township's website or contact the Township Park & Recreation Department to register.

On a motion by Dr. White, seconded by Mrs. McIlvaine, the Board approved the Board of Supervisors meeting minutes of October 12, 2011.

On a motion by Mrs. McIlvaine, seconded by Dr. White, the Board approved the Treasurer's Report dated October 31, 2011, for the General Fund, the Sewer Revenue Fund, the Waste and Recycling Fund, the Capital Reserve Fund and the bills to be paid from these funds.

On November 2, 2011, Township staff opened and read aloud bids for unleaded gasoline, clear ultra-low sulfur diesel, #2 heating oil and low sulfur diesel (500 ppm). On a motion by Dr. White, seconded by Mrs. McIlvaine, the Board approved the sale to lowest bidders, per the bid tabulation below with low bidders in bold.

Vendor	Unleaded Gasoline	Clear Ultra-Low Sulfur Diesel	#2 Heating Oil	Low Sulfur Diesel (500 ppm)
Reilly & Sons	\$2.9073 / gallon	\$3.2731 / gallon	\$3.3825 / gallon	\$3.581 / gallon
Sheller Oil Company	No Bid	No Bid	\$3.2675 / gallon	\$3.2931 / gallon
Mauger & Co., Inc.	\$3.016 / gallon	\$3.34 / gallon	\$3.31 / gallon	\$3.341 / gallon

On November 2, 2011, Township staff opened and read aloud bids for natural deicing liquid. On a motion by Mrs. McIlvaine, seconded by Dr. White, the Board approved the sale to low bidder, Road Solutions, Inc. per the bid tabulation below.

Vendor	Price per Gallon	4,500 Gallon Delivery Cost
Road Solutions, Inc. 5616 Progress Road Indianapolis, IN 46241	\$2.27	\$10,215.00
Seneca Mineral 8431 Edinboro Road Erie, PA 16509	No Bid	No Bid
Oceanport LLC 6200 Philadelphia Pike Claymont, DE 19703	No Bid	No Bid

On a motion by Mrs. McIlvaine, seconded by Dr. White, the Board approved the low bid for Sludge and Waste Hauling for the West Goshen Township Sewer Authority to A.J. Blozenski, per the bid tabulation below.

Vendor	1 – 4-Yard Dumpster	2 – 25 Yard Dumpsters
A.J. Blozenski PO BOX 392 Elverson, PA 19520	\$72	\$195

On a motion by Mrs. McIlvaine, seconded by Dr. White, the Board approved the low bid for Dry Polymer for the West Goshen Township Sewer Authority to NEO Solutions, per the bid tabulation below.

Vendor	Price per Pound
Polydyne P.O. Box 404642 Atlanta, GA 30384-4642	No Bid
Coyne Chemical 3015 State Rd Croydon, PA 19021	\$2.3834 / pound
Custom Environmental Tech P.O. Box 745 Matthews, NC 28106	\$1.84 / pound
NEO Solutions P.O. Box 26 Beaver, PA 15009-0026	\$1.83 / pound
SAL Chemical PO Box 145200, Dept #1032 Cincinnati, OH 45250-5200	No Bid

On a motion by Mrs. McIlvaine, seconded by Dr. White, the Board approved the low bid for Liquid Polyaluminum Chloride for the West Goshen Township Sewer Authority to Univar USA, Inc., per the bid tabulation below.

Vendor	Bid
NEO Solution P.O. Box 26 Beaver, PA 15009-0026	\$615.56 / ton
Delta Chemical Corp. 2601 Cannery Avenue Baltimore, MD 21226-1595	No bid
Univar USA, Inc. P.O. Box 34325 Seattle, WA 98124-1325	\$383.00 / ton

The Board of Supervisors discussed the possible rezoning of the current I-2 Zoning District and the recent application of Baxter (BPI II Partners) to amend the I-2 Zoning District to allow Independent Living Facilities. The Township Planning Commission recently voted 7-2 to recommend allowing Independent Living Facilities in the I-2 District with an amendment to an I-2R Zoning District. The Board advised the Township Solicitor to complete the I-2R Zoning District draft language and submit the revision to the Chester County Planning Commission for review.

Philip Corvo, 863 Empress Road, questioned the change from I-2 to I-2-R and if the Board was rushing into making the change. Dr. White responded that the Board of Supervisors had already held several hearings about the proposed change over the past year. Mary Ann Rossi, attorney representing BPI II Partners, stated that the Township Planning Commission recommended in recent weeks that the change is appropriate and to move ahead with the Zoning amendment. Ms. Rossi also stated that the plan still needs to go through Conditional Use approval and a full Land Development review.

Dr. White presented the Township's 2012 budgets for the General Fund, Sewer Fund, Waste and Recycling Fund, State Highway Fund and Capital Reserve Fund.

For the 2012 General Fund, revenues are \$13,107,134 with expenditures budgeted at \$15,039,669.

For the 2012 Sewer Fund, revenues are \$4,230,043 with expenditures budgeted at \$3,925,726.

For the 2012 Waste and Recycling Fund, revenues are \$2,244,097 with expenditures budgeted at \$2,302,995.

For the 2012 State Highway Fund, revenues are \$475,919 with expenditures budgeted at \$475,000.

For the 2012 Capital Reserve Fund, revenues are \$2,215,421 with expenditures budgeted at \$2,434,347.

Bob Stratton, 860 Spruce Avenue, asked what the total budgeted General Fund deficit is for 2012. Dr. White responded that the budgeted General Fund deficit is \$1,932,535. The actual deficit for 2011 will be approximately \$600,000, down from the projected \$1,500,000. Dr. White said that due to prudent spending, the Township was able to decrease the projected budget deficit for 2011.

Phil Corvo, 863 Empress Road, stated that in his opinion, the economy will not improve for another two to three years. He stated that the Township cannot sustain these expenditures given the revenues and surplus. He asked from a revenue perspective, how solid are the revenue numbers. Dr. White responded that property tax revenue is stable and that earned income tax has actually risen during the past year.

Mr. Corvo asked what if a major employer, such as QVC left the Township. Dr. White responded that employees who work at QVC are assessed the 0.5% earned income tax for the Township, but West Goshen Township only receives the revenue if the employee lives in West Goshen Township or their home municipality does not collect earned income tax. Dr. White stated that a major employer, such as QVC, leaving the Township would impact the Township, but not greatly.

Mr. Corvo asked what categories are rising. Dr. White responded that the 2012 General Fund budget includes a 3% increase for uniformed employees that is contractual, while non-uniformed employees are also receiving a 3% raise. Dr. White also responded that the General Fund budget includes the principal and debt payment on the new Public Works building.

Public Works Director Ray Halvorsen stated that the Township's General Fund revenue projections were low in 2010, and the revenue came in at almost \$1,000,000 more than anticipated.

Mr. Craig provided an update for the Louis E. Close shooting range. There have been no changes since last month's update.

Mr. Meakim opened the floor for public comment.

There being no further business, on motion by Mr. Meakim, seconded by Dr. White, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Casey LaLonde
Township Secretary