

MINUTES OF THE
EAST COVENTRY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING HELD DECEMBER 9, 2013
(Approved January 13, 2014)

The Board of Supervisors held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, December 9, 2013. Present for the meeting were supervisors Ray Kolb, Mariea Geho, W. Atlee Rinehart, Michael Albert Moyer, and Karen Nocella. Also present were Bernard A. Rodgers, Township Manager, Mark A. Hosterman, Township Solicitor, and Brady L. Flaharty, Township Engineer.

Mr. Kolb called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

Mr. Hosterman stated that an executive session was held at 6:00 p.m. immediately preceding this meeting to discuss a personnel matter, potential acquisition of real estate and discussion of an assessment appeal.

Hearings and Adoptions

Ordinance No. 198 – Stormwater Management Ordinance

Mr. Hosterman opened the public hearing for consideration and adoption of Ordinance No. 198 at 7:08 p.m.

Mr. Hosterman provided an overview of proposed Ordinance No. 198 as follows:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF EAST COVENTRY TOWNSHIP, CHAPTER 9 (GRADING AND EXCAVATING), PART 1 (STORMWATER MANAGEMENT), BY DELETING THE EXISTING PART 1 IN ITS ENTIRETY AND REPLACING IT WITH A NEW PART 1 ENTITLED “EAST COVENTRY TOWNSHIP STORMWATER MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE” AND SETTING FORTH ARTICLES I THROUGH IX AND APPENDICES “A” THROUGH “F”, INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING: GENERAL PROVISIONS; DEFINITIONS; STORMWATER MANAGEMENT STANDARDS; STORMWATER MANAGEMENT (SWM) SITE PLAN REQUIREMENTS; PERFORMANCE AND INSPECTION OF REGULATED ACTIVITIES AND FINAL AS-BUILT PLANS; FEES AND EXPENSES; OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE (O&M) RESPONSIBILITIES AND EASEMENTS; PROHIBITIONS; ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES; SIMPLIFIED APPROACH TO STORMWATER MANAGEMENT FOR SMALL PROJECTS (APPLICABILITY, SUBMITTAL AND APPROVAL REQUIREMENTS, HANDBOOK, AND SAMPLE STORMWATER BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES OPERATION, MAINTENANCE AND INSPECTION PLAN AND AGREEMENT); SITE DESIGN PROCESS; RUNOFF COEFFICIENTS AND CURVE NUMBERS; WEST NILE VIRUS DESIGN GUIDANCE; SAMPLE STORMWATER BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES AND CONVEYANCES OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT; AND SWIMMING POOL WATER DISCHARGE GUIDELINES; ALL AS SET FORTH IN EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED TO THE ORDINANCE AND MADE A PART THEREOF.

Mr. Hosterman asked if the Board of Supervisors had any comments or questions regarding proposed Ordinance No. 198. There were no comments or questions from the Board of Supervisors

Mr. Hosterman asked if there were any questions and/or comments regarding proposed Ordinance No. 198 from the public and there were none.

Mr. Hosterman closed the hearing at 7:10 p.m.

Mrs. Geho moved to approve Ordinance No. 198 entitled “Amended Stormwater Management Ordinance”. Mrs. Nocella seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 4-1-0 vote with Mr. Moyer voting no.

1. MINUTES

Minutes of November 11, 2013

Mr. Rinehart moved to approve the minutes of the November 11, 2013 monthly meeting as amended. Mrs. Geho seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 5-0-0 vote. Amendments being in the third paragraph in the last sentence change ‘easement and trail easement’ to ‘easement, a trail easement’ and under subheading, Resolution No. 2013-025 – Police Department Policy and Procedure Manual, in the last sentence change ‘which they are paid’ to ‘which they paid’.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Lot Line Adjustment Ordinance

Mr. Moyer noted that Karl Glocker sent him a draft ordinance regarding lot line adjustments and that he had a copy of East Vincent’s ordinance as well. After some discussion it was the consensus of the Board that the documents would be reviewed and if deemed appropriate forwarded to the Planning Commission for their review and comment. The issue will be revisited in January 2014.

3. REPORTS

Township Manager’s Report

723 Saylor’s Mill Road

Mr. Rodgers noted an inspection pursuant to the Agreement between Ms. Mastrilli and the Township that an inspection of the kennel use had been conducted and that all the conditions of the Agreement had been achieved. As a result he had issued a letter dated December 4, 2013 revoking the Enforcement Notice dated March 26, 2012. In response and pursuant to the Agreement Ms. Mastrilli sent a letter to the Township Zoning Hearing Board withdrawing her Zoning appeal.

Public Works Employee

Mr. Rinehart moved to authorize the township to advertise for an Operator for the Public Works Department. Mr. Moyer seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 5-0-0 vote.

Township Engineer's Report

Mr. Rinehart moved to approve the Township Engineer's report. Mrs. Geho seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 5-0-0 vote.

Reports from Various Departments and Committees

Mrs. Nocella noted that she has an invoice from a new tent rental company and requested approval to provide payment for the reservation. Mr. Moyer noted concern of a refund if Community Day is not held. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 5-0-0 vote.

Mrs. Nocella moved to process the contract and make the reservation payment with the condition that a clause is placed in the contract that a refund will be provided if the event is cancelled. Mrs. Geho seconded the motion.

Mrs. Geho moved to approve the reports from the various departments and committees. Mrs. Nocella seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 5-0-0 vote.

4. SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENTS

Whispering Woods

There was discussion regarding the correspondence dated November 5, 2013 received by Select Properties regarding public sewer services for a proposed project on Ellis Woods and Old Schuylkill Roads. No action is needed at this time. The developer is in the process of making application to the Zoning Hearing Board for zoning relief.

Yorgey Subdivision

Mr. Rinehart moved to authorize the submission of the Yorgey Sewage Facilities Planning Module to the Department of Environmental Protection. Mr. Moyer seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 5-0-0 vote.

Lot Line Adjustment

This item was discussed in Public Comment.

5. ZONING HEARING BOARD APPLICATIONS

6. OTHER BUSINESS

Exonerations and Exemptions

Mr. Moyer read the exonerations and exemptions as presented by the Tax Collector.

Mrs. Geho moved to approve the exonerations and exemptions as presented. Mrs. Nocella seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 5-0-0 vote.

Reorganization Meeting

Mrs. Geho moved to set the reorganization meeting for January 6, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. Mr. Rinehart seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 5-0-0 vote.

Resolution No. 2013-26 (2014 Budget Approval)

Mrs. Geho moved to approve Resolution No. 2013-26 approving the 2014 Budgets. Mrs. Nocella seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 4-1-0 vote with Mr. Moyer voting no.

Resolution No. 2013-27 (Tax Resolution)

Mr. Moyer moved to approve Resolution No. 2013-27 setting the 2014 tax millage at 3 mills. Mrs. Geho seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 5-0-0 vote.

Resolution No. 2013-28 (Pay Plan)

Mrs. Geho moved to approve Resolution No. 2013-28 approving the 2014 Pay/Classification Plan. Mrs. Nocella seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 4-1-0 vote with Mr. Moyer voting no.

Resolution No. 2013-29 (Fund Transfer)

Mr. Rinehart moved to approve Resolution No. 2013-29 for the transfer of funds from the General Fund to the Benefit Escrow Fund. Mrs. Geho seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 5-0-0 vote.

Resolution No. 2013-30 (Auditor)

Mr. Rinehart moved to approve Resolution No. 2013-30 for the appointment of Reinsel Kuntz and Leshner, LLP as appointed auditors for examination of the township accounts for fiscal year ending December 31, 2013. Mrs. Geho seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 5-0-0 vote.

Resolution No. 2013-31 (PECO Green Regional Program Grant)

Mrs. Geho moved to approve Resolution No. 2013-31 for submission of PECO Green Region Program Grant application. Mrs. Nocella seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 5-0-0 vote.

7. PAYMENT OF THE BILLS

Mrs. Geho moved to pay bills as presented:

General Fund	\$194,670.69
Fire Hydrant Fund	\$473.23
Open Space Fund	\$7,400.00
Sewer Operating Fund	\$16,110.51
Traffic Impact Fee Fund	\$1,160.00
<u>Highway State Aid Fund</u>	<u>\$3,614.07</u>
	\$223,428.50

Mrs. Nocella seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 5-0-0 vote.

8. ADDITIONAL ITEMS BROUGHT TO THE BOARD

Part-time Snow Plower

Mr. Moyer moved to authorize the Township to hire Clint Mowrer as a part-time snow plower with the condition that Mr. Mowrer has a clean Motor Vehicle report. Mr. Rinehart seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 5-0-0 vote.

Tax Collection Committee

Mr. Rinehart noted that he attended the Tax Collection Committee and they are trying to streamline the processes so cost to the townships.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Geho moved to adjourn the monthly meeting at 7:50 p.m. Mrs. Nocella seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 5-0-0 vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Bernard A. Rodgers
Township Secretary