

MINUTES OF THE
EAST COVENTRY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING HELD ON MARCH 11, 2013
(Approved April 8, 2013)

The Board of Supervisors held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, March 11, 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 7:12 p.m. and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

Mr. Kolb swore in new Fire Police Officer Tim Rodriguez.

Mr. Hosterman stated that an executive session was held at 6:00 p.m. immediately preceding this meeting to discuss a personnel matter relating to the collective bargaining agreement for uniform personnel, a real estate acquisition matter and a matter concerning ongoing litigation against the township.

1. MINUTES

Minutes of February 11, 2013

Mrs. Nocella moved to approve the minutes of the February 11, 2013 monthly meeting as presented. Mr. Rinehart seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 4-0-1 vote with Mrs. Geho abstaining due to her absence at the February 11, 2013 Board of Supervisors meeting.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Scott Allen of 1898 East Cedarville Road stated his concerns about persons using burning accelerants even when burning for recreational purposes.
- Gail Brown of 500 Sanatoga Road asked about the definition of recreational burning and Mr. Hosterman noted that there is not a definition of recreational burning in the ordinance but the definition may be found in the state regulations.
- Robert Preston of 2013 East Cedarville Road asked if the recycling ordinance follows DEP Guidelines and was the ordinance passed with nothing added and Mr. Kolb confirmed that nothing was added to the ordinance.
- Mr. Moyer reviewed the discussions at the Pottstown Metropolitan Regional Planning Committee meeting regarding the hiring of a Regional Parks and Recreation Coordinator through a grant program. He noted that participating municipalities would contribute \$0 for the 1st year - \$625 for the 2nd year - \$1,250 for the 3rd year - \$2,500 for the 4th year - \$5,000 for the 5th year. Mr. Kolb and Mrs. Geho noted that they were not in favor of hiring a Regional Parks and Recreation Coordinator. Mr. Moyer noted that he would have voted no at the Pottstown Metropolitan Regional Planning Committee meeting but wanted to solicit the opinion of the Board.

Mr. Rinehart moved to not have East Coventry Township participate in the hiring of a Regional Parks and Recreation Coordinator by Pottstown Metropolitan Regional Planning Committee. Mrs. Geho seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 4-1-0 vote with Mrs. Nocella voting no.

- Mr. Moyer distributed a resolution regarding the 2nd Amendment addressing the right to bear arms and requested that the Board consider its adoption.

Mr. Rinehart moved to adopt Resolution 2013-09 entitled “2nd Amendment Preservation”. Mr. Moyer seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 4-0-1 vote with Mr. Kolb abstaining.

- Mr. Moyer asked the Township Solicitor if he had any information regarding limiting who could submit bids for the Township’s farm leases. Mr. Hosterman noted that he does not have anything prepared for this evening.

3. REPORTS

Township Manager’s Report

No items under Township Manager’s Report.

Township Engineer’s Report

Mr. Rinehart moved to approve the Township Engineer’s report. Mrs. Nocella 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

Mr. Rinehart 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

Woodcrest Estates

Mrs. Geho moved to approve Resolution No. 2013-10 for the acceptance of roads in Woodcrest Estates, Oleander Lane (newly constructed road); Buckwalter Road Ultimate Right-of-Way; Wintergreen Lane (newly constructed road); Wood Lea Road (newly constructed road) and Ellis Woods Road Ultimate Right-of-Way. Mrs. Nocella seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 5-0-0 vote.

Mr. Rinehart moved to approve Resolution No. 2013-11 for the acceptance of sanitary sewer facilities and easements in Woodcrest Estates. Mrs. Nocella seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 5-0-0 vote.

5. ZONING HEARING BOARD APPLICATIONS

6. OTHER BUSINESS

Resolution No. 2013-08 – Grant Application

Mrs. Nocella moved to approve Resolution No. 2013-08 approving submission of grant application for Round 25 of the Chester County Municipal Grant Program. Mrs. Geho seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 5-0-0 vote.

Vision Partnership Grant Program

Mr. Rinehart moved to approve sending the commitment letter to the Chester County Planning Commission for the Vision Partnership Program Grant Application for updating the Township's Open Space, Recreation and Environmental Resources Plan. Mrs. Geho seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 5-0-0 vote.

Athletic Community Center

Sam Coriniti of Hollow Road in Birchrunville briefly reviewed his concept for an athletic community center that he was interested in developing on property owned by Owen J. Roberts School District along East Cedarville Road adjacent to the East Coventry Elementary School. Mr. Coriniti stated that he has spoken with the School District and it is waiting for him to submit a proposal. He provided a brief description of the project which would include athletics, tutoring, daycare, and a senior center.

Mr. Kolb asked what the hours of operation would be and Mr. Coriniti stated that the facility would not be open past 10:00 p.m. Mr. Kolb noted a concern regarding more noise and traffic.

Mr. Rodgers stated that the use as discussed would be considered commercial and would not be permitted in a residential zoning district unless the zoning ordinance was amended.

Mr. Hosterman noted that if Mr. Coriniti wanted to move forward his consultants would need to put something together with more specifics.

A brief discussion ensued and Mr. Coriniti thanked the Board for its time.

Agricultural Security Area Advisory Committee

Mr. Moyer moved to appoint Arthur Kulp, Leroy Kolb, Robert Hewitt, Michael Moyer and Robert Preston to the Agricultural Security Area Advisory Committee. Mrs. Geho seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 5-0-0 vote.

Parks, Recreation and Conservation Committee

Mrs. Geho moved to accept the resignation of Michael Hott as a member of the Parks, Recreation and Conservation Committee and to appoint Anne Sage as a member to the Parks, Recreation and Conservation Committee. Mr. Moyer 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	\$187,679.53
Fire Hydrant Fund	\$473.23
Sewer Operating Fund	\$14,464.71

Traffic Impact Fee Fund	\$1,641.01
Capital Reserve Fund	\$9,933.90
<u>Highway State Aid Fund</u>	<u>\$14,850.45</u>
	\$229,042.83

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

2nd Amendment

Mr. Moyer thanked everyone for supporting the 2nd Amendment Preservation resolution.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Geho moved to adjourn the monthly meeting at 8:35 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