

MINUTES OF THE
EAST COVENTRY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING HELD ON FEBRUARY 13, 2012
(Approved March 12, 2012)

The Board of Supervisors held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, February 13, 2012. 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 7:15 p.m. and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

Mrs. Geho called for a moment of silence in memory of Linwood Kolb

Mr. Hosterman stated that an executive session was held at 6:00 p.m. immediately preceding this meeting to discuss litigation concerning parking tickets issued in Coventry Glen and a real estate matter concerning the Creekview open space.

1. MINUTES

Minutes of January 9, 2012

Mr. Rinehart moved to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2012 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:

- PSATs – in the motion change ‘Mr. Rinehart called for the vote...’ to ‘Mr. Kolb called for the vote...’

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Robert Preston of 2013 East Cedarville Road noted that he distributed a sewage report to the Board of Supervisors and stated that if the Board had any questions they could contact him.

Melissa King of 10 Eleanor Drive read a letter written by Wayne Shych regarding the salary increases for township employees.

Dan Taormino of 11 Robin’s Nest Lane inquired about the ‘no parking’ signs in Creekview and stated that before he bought the property Ryan Homes told him that parking would be allowed on the sidewalk side of the street and Mr. Taromino feels that the ‘no parking’ issue could affect the value of his home

Mr. Kolb stated that the Board is looking into the ‘no parking’ issues.

Mary Ann Keen of 537 Sanatoga Road stated that she felt the township employees deserve a 3% salary increase.

Zena Gavin of 1112 Kulp Road made comment that she felt a 1.5% salary increase would have been enough due to the state of the economy and questioned the appropriateness of the vote.

Roger Kolb of 768 Ebelhare Road, Deputy Fire Chief, stated that the fire company is against parking in the street for safety reasons and noted that the fire company has reviewed development plans and requested there by no parking in the street.

Robert Gilleland of 45 Robin's Nest Lane stated that it was made very clear to him when he purchased his home that there was no parking on the street.

Ed Collins of 13 Larkspur Lane stated that a fire truck could get through with parking on one side.

Peter McKenney of 101 N. Savanna Drive felt the vote for the salary increases was appropriate. He also noted that he felt the condition of the roads in Coventry Glen during the latest storm was not acceptable.

A general discussion ensued regarding the no parking restrictions in the Coventry Glen and Creekview developments. Mr. Hosterman noted that there was a concern over the number of event parking requests and where space for event parking should be designated?

Mr. Rinhart moved to authorize the Traffic Engineer to investigate the possibility of designated event parking in Coventry Glen and Creekview. Mr. Kolb seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 5-0-0 vote.

Mr. Moyer thanked all those who came out for both sides of the salary vote issue and asked the Board if they would reconsider the vote and there was no response from the Board.

3. REPORTS

Township Manager's Report

Coventry Glen

Mr. Rodgers noted that Pipe Services, inc. had started televising the sanitary sewers in Coventry Glen and Woodcrest and should be completed in four weeks. Request for proposals for completion of the overall improvements will be distributed as soon as the Township Engineer is able to review the televising tapes and include any required sanitary sewer repair work.

Woodcrest Estates

Mr. Rodgers noted that a check in the amount of \$150,096.00 was received per the Financial Security Agreement for Woodcrest Estates to complete the improvements.

Fricks Lock Village

Mr. Rodgers noted that Exelon will be hosting a luncheon and informational session regarding Fricks Lock Village on May 24, 2012 at the Township Building. Elected officials, senators, state representatives and state agencies will be invited. A tour of the Village will also take place. This event is for the purpose of keeping all informed and educated regarding Fricks Lock Village.

Wineberry Estates Acquisition

Mr. Rodgers noted that the Township must have settlement and acquire the property and then request reimbursement through the approved grants from the County and State. To accomplish that, the Township must approve a short term borrowing in order to acquire the property. Therefore, a commitment letter from National Penn Bank dated February 8, 2012 in the amount of \$780,000 for a bridge loan is on the agenda to be considered for approval.

Mr. Rinehart moved to approve the commitment letter with National Penn Bank for the short term borrowing for the Wineberry Estates acquisition. Mrs. Nocella seconded the motion. Mr. Rinehart, Mrs. Nocella, Mr. Kolb voted yes. Mr. Moyer voted no. Mrs. Geho had temporarily left the meeting room. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 3-1-0 vote.

Mrs. Nocella moved to approve Resolution No. 2012-08 for authorizing the issuance of a tax and revenue anticipation note, in the amount of \$780,000.00 in anticipation of the receipt of current taxes and current revenues, to be sold at private sale to National Penn Bank; and providing for the filing of required documents for the Wineberry Estates acquisition. Mrs. Geho seconded the motion. Mr. Rinehart, Mrs. Nocella, Mr. Kolb, and Mrs. Geho voted yes. Mr. Moyer voted no. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 4-1-0 vote.

Mr. Moyer stated that he voted no because he was concerned that the taxpayers would get stuck if the grantees reneged.

Mr. Hosterman stated that an environmental study must be done prior to settlement and the seller is to put up an escrow for legal fees and the environmental study.

Act 101

Mr. Rodgers distributed information regarding Act 101 and noted that the township has to consider adopting and implementing a recycling ordinance by March 2013.

Scott Allen of 1898 East Cedarville Road noted concern regarding reckless burning in the township.

Public Works

Mr. Rodgers stated that the township would like to extend an offer of employment to an individual for the Operator/Mechanic position to begin employment on March 1.

Mr. Rinehart moved to extend an offer of employment to the individual selected for the Operator/Mechanic position subject to the satisfactory completion of a physical and a CDL alcohol/drug test. Mrs. Geho seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 5-0-0 vote.

Township Engineer's Report

Mrs. Geho moved to approve the "Topping off the Pump" article as presented by the Township Engineer to satisfy MCM#1 (Public Education and Outreach) requirements for placement in the

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

Mr. Moyer moved to approve the stream clean up date to be April 21, 2012 at 10:00 AM with a rain date of April 28, 2012. Mrs. Geho seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 5-0-0 vote.

Mr. Rinehart moved to approve the Township Engineer's Report and 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.

Reports from Various Departments and Committees

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4. SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENTS

5. ZONING HEARING BOARD APPLICATIONS

6. OTHER BUSINESS

Police Records Management System

Mr. Rinehart moved to approve the purchase of the CODY – Police Records Management System in accordance with the Chief of Police memorandum dated January 18, 2012. Mrs. Geho seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 5-0-0 vote.

Resolution No. 2012-05 – Emergency Operations Plan

Mr. Kolb moved to approve Resolution No. 2012-05 adopting the Emergency Operations Plan of East Coventry Township. Mr. Moyer seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 5-0-0 vote.

Resolution 2012-06 – Zoning Hearing Board Member

Mr. Moyer moved to approve Resolution No. 2012-06 appointing members of the Zoning Hearing Board of East Coventry Township. Mr. Rinehart seconded the motion. Mr. Moyer, Mr. Rinehart, Mr. Kolb and Mrs. Nocella voted yes. Mrs. Geho voted no. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 4-1-0 vote.

Resolution 2012-07 – Zoning Hearing Board Alternate

Mr. Moyer moved to approve Resolution No. 2012-07 appointing alternate members of the Zoning Hearing Board of East Coventry Township. Mrs. Geho seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 5-0-0 vote.

Community Day

Mr. Kolb moved to approve the date of Community Day to be June 9, 2012. Mrs. Geho seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 5-0-0 vote.

Fire Police Request

Mr. Kolb moved to approve fire police request for Twin Valley Fire Department-69 for May 12, 2012 for a parade. Mrs. Geho seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 5-0-0 vote.

PELRAS

Mr. Rinehart moved to authorize the Township Manager and Chief of Police to attend the 30th Annual PELRAS Training Conference. Mrs. Geho seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 5-0-0 vote.

CCATO

Mr. Kolb moved to authorize the Mrs. Geho and Mrs. Nocella to attend the CCTO Chester County Spring 2012 Convention on March 8, 2012. Mrs. Geho seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 5-0-0 vote.

7. PAYMENT OF THE BILLS

Mr. Kolb moved to pay bills as presented:

Capital Reserve Fund	\$79,000.00
Commerce Escrow Fund	\$790.00
Fire Hydrant Fund	\$471.43
General Fund	\$262,879.77
Heritage Escrow Fund	\$1,110.00
Sewer Operating Fund	\$11,602.85
Traffic Impact Fee Fund	\$576.00
<u>Highway State Aid Fund</u>	<u>\$31,075.70</u>
	\$387,505.75

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

Community Map

Mr. Kolb stated that a new Community Map should be printed since the last one was printed in 2006 and asked the Board for approval to move forward.

Mr. Rinehart moved to move forward with a new Community Map. Mr. Moyer seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 5-0-0 vote.

Tobacco Free Playground Signs

Mr. Kolb suggested the Board adopt a resolution to post ‘tobacco free playground’ signs where kids are playing.

Mr. Kolb moved to have a resolution prepared for the posting of ‘tobacco free playground’ signs where appropriate. Mr. Rinehart seconded the motion. Mr. Kolb called for the vote and **the motion** carried with a 5-0-0 vote.

Mr. Moyer stated that he wanted to recognize Linwood Kolb for his 55 years of service to the township. Mr. Moyer also noted that it is important for individuals to donate monies to the fire company because it is a volunteer based fire company.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Kolb moved to adjourn the monthly meeting at 8:45 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