

Minutes of the
July 19, 2011
Board of Supervisor's Regular Meeting

The Regular Meeting of The Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors was held at 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, June 19, 2011 in the Doylestown Township Municipal Building, 425 Wells Road, Doylestown, PA. Members of the Board of Supervisors in attendance included Chairman; Barbara N. Lyons, Vice Chairman; Richard F. Colello, Supervisors; E. Thomas Scarborough, Jr. and Cynthia M. Philo. Others in attendance included Township Manager; Stephanie J. Mason, Township Solicitor; Jeffrey P. Garton, Chief of Police; Stephen J. White and Township Engineer; Mario Canales

Absent: Supervisor; Barbara Eisenhardt and Director of Operations; Richard E. John

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Board met in Execution Session, prior to the meeting, to discuss matters of personnel and litigation.

PRESENTATION:

Retirement of Detective Frank Bochenek

Chief White announced the retirement of Detective Frank Bochenek effective August 8, 2011, after 32 years of serving the Doylestown Police Department. Chief White then proudly read the resolution recognizing Corporal Bochenek's many achievements and history as an outstanding police officer.

Mr. Scarborough made a MOTION; seconded by Ms. Philo the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors adopts the resolution recognizing Corporal Frank T. Bochenek for his 32 years of service to Doylestown Township and accepts his retirement with regrets.

MOTION was ADOPTED 4 to 0.

The Board presented Corporal Bochenek with a plaque and gift in show of their appreciation.

Telecommunication Advisory Board – Web Streaming

Chairman; Kurt P. Krause presented the Board with a proposal the Doylestown Township Television (DTV) access Board and Commissions' meetings through the township's website for residents. While providing power point slides of existing programming from other municipalities, Mr. Krause explained the new programming will enable Supervisors' meeting to be archived through videos while providing self service and on demand video streaming access for the public through the township's website. It will also link associated meeting documents to the website, such as, agendas and minutes.

Upon approval, the programming will begin as a trial period in October, 2011 and be funded by special franchise grant from Verizon of \$3,600.00. After the trial period, the TAB will continue to fund the project for one year from the recent sale of surplus equipment and grants, so there is no budget impact for 2011 and 2012. The trial period is also to determine the demand and usage from residents.

Mr. Garton informed the township will have to amend their documents to include streaming of videos will be eliminated upon the one year trial period.

Mr. Scarborough made a MOTION; seconded by Ms. Philo the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors approve, as a one year trial period, the Telecommunication Advisory Board deliver Doylestown Township Television (DTV) programming and documents via computer and mobile device access through the township's website within \$3,600.00 budget.

MOTION was ADOPTED 4 to 0.

Mr. Krause then presented the Board with a proposed new tree logo for DTV, designed by Special Projects manager; Sandra Zadell. The Board agreed by a vote of 4 to 0 to approve the new logo.

VISITOR / PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Community Event to Celebrate the opening of Wells Road

Resident; Chris Suessenguth of 133 Wells Road requested the Board's approval to hold a block party to celebrate the opening of Wells Road between the East and West side of the Bridge. Mr. Suessenguth explained the event will run as a Community Event and proceeds raised will go towards the Park and Recreation Department.

Mrs. Lyons questioned what exactly the plan is. Mr. Suessenguth clarified a committee will be formed, where a request will be made to close the streets from Radcliffe Drive to Lower State Road. The food will be provided by neighbors as "pot luck". In order to raise funds, a raffle will be held for prizes donated by local businesses.

Ms. Philo asked if there is a time frame of when the event is scheduled. Mr. Suessenguth answered; upon Board's approval the residents are prepared to begin. Mrs. Lyons then asked if this would be a weekday or weekend event. Mr. Suessenguth indicated it would be a Saturday or Sunday event and advertisements will only be issued to neighboring residents.

Mr. Scarborough made a MOTION; seconded by Mr. Colello the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors approve a Block Party Event be held to celebrate the opening of Wells Road along the East and West side of the bridge.

Ms. Philo requested the Board be informed of details of the event as it becomes available prior to holding the event. Such as, how many people and the exact date.

MOTION was ADOPTED 4 to 0.

Central Bucks West High School Senior Project

Central Bucks West Senior; Matthew McGurk requested the Boards approval to mark water drains with epoxy plastic markers to bring awareness of illicit dumping in the township storm waters that may contaminate township's drinking water.

For his graduation project, Mr. McGurk's goal is to keep anyone from pouring toxins and other liquids down the drains that will affect local waterways by utilizing epoxy markers to paint "no dumping" signs

along Bristol, Turk, Almshouse and Upper State Road's storm drains. Each marker is \$2.65 each, plus the necessary epoxy at \$11.00 for 60 drains. This program will save on time, money and labor from spray paint previously used. To cover enough materials and cost for over 300 storm drains, Mr. McGurk would also like to begin a storm drain donation program by advertising in the next township's newsletter.

Ms. Philo made a MOTION; seconded by Mr. Scarborough the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors approve the Storm Drain Donation program be included in the next Township's Newsletter as a fund raising project for Mr. McGurk's senior project.

MOTION was ADOPTED 4 to 0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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MINUTES APPROVAL:

Mr. Scarborough made a MOTION; seconded by Ms. Philo to approve the June 21, 2011, Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors Regular meeting minutes.

MOTION was ADOPTED 4 to 0.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

REPORTS

SOLICITOR No Report

TOWNSHIP ENGINEER: No Report

POLICE CHIEF: No Report

TOWNSHIP MANAGER:

Open Space – Keely Avenue

Ms. Mason presented the Board with a letter dated June 23, 2011 from Dan Ventresca owner of a property at 225 Keeley Ave. requesting an appraisal be completed on the property, so it may be considered for the County's Municipal Open Space Preservation Program.

For the Board's information, Mrs. Lyons indicated an appraisal was completed on the property years ago. However, since a new owner of the property has refurbished the home and demolished an existing barn. Mrs. Lyon encouraged the Board to approve the appraisal, because the ten acres land will be a welcome addition to the Open Space program and park facilities.

Mr. Scarborough made a MOTION; seconded by Ms. Philo the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors approve an appraisal be made to the property located at 225 Keeley Ave. in order to preserve under the Municipal Open Space Program as per the encouragement of Mrs. Lyons.

MOTION was ADOPTED 4 to 0.

SUPERVISORS:

Mrs. Lyons announced the Board agreed to hold the Doylestown Oktoberfest in place of the PA State Fair in October of 2011. After continued discussions, Reithhoffer Group is willing to address several concerns of the Board by scaling down the size of the fair to 20%, traffic and parking and reduce hours of the event.

Mrs. Lyons is confident the event will maintain control, as well as, increase local economy by using local residents and providers. Reithhoffer Group will also provide educational programs and top notch amusement rides for children. The economic revenue to the township will be 20% proceeds from the event and amusement rides, plus \$50,000.00 towards the Parks and Recreation department. Finally, the event will protect the dog park and have no events near Turk Park II.

Mr. Scarborough added clean up costs and any damaged caused during the event will be the responsibility of Reithhoffer and believes this is a “win win” situation for the community.

Mr. Scarborough made a MOTION; seconded by Mr. Colello the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors approve the Oktoberfest event to be held in Doylestown Township.

Mr. Colello feels it’s a great way to have the Oktoberfest event back in Doylestown and feels confident all issues will be addressed.

Ms. Philo is very appreciative of the proposal that will assist the township’s revenue in current economic times. The event will be a great support for roads, police and parks. She then asked for Chief White’s thoughts.

Chief White indicated if the event was larger than the proposed Oktoberfest he would have concerns and can have a better prospective once he views the parking plans.

Resident: Chris Suessenguth questioned if the event can be held in 2012 back in Central Park for better control. Mrs. Lyons believes the event will be manageable.

MOTION was ADOPTED 4 to 0.

Mr. Colello reported...

- a) Planning Commission reviewed and provided comments regarding the Delaware Valley College land development plan for 99 additional parking spaces.
- b) The Environmental Advisory Council is assisting the Planning Commission with the Heritage Tree ordinance by providing a list.
- c) Next week the Traffic Advisory Board will finalize the Street Hierarchy ordinance.
- d) To date, the Park and Recreation department has received 194 transactions at \$30,200 since the website credit card system has been implemented. This placed a rise in attendance at events due to the efficiency of the system.

Ms. Philo questioned if there is a procedure in place to prevent motor vehicles from blocking the box at the intersections. Chief White indicated volume is the main cause of this problem and will speak with PennDOT for further options, because this would be a state issue. Ms. Philo honored local team, The Skunks who won Thunderbird Bowling League.

Mr. Scarborough reported over 5,000 residents attended the delayed, July 10th Concert and Firework event in Central Park and thanked the Park and Recreation Department for their hard work.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

PUBLIC HEARING:

Non-Uniform Employee Pension Amendment – 5% Contribution

Mr. Scarborough made a MOTION; seconded by Ms. Philo the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors approve and adopt an amendment to the Non-Uniform Employee Pension Plan Ordinance by requiring members of the plan contribute five (5%) percent of their compensation to the Retirement Plan.

Public Comment: None

MOTION was ADOPTED 4 to 0.

NEW BUSINESS:

Eagle Scout Proclamation – Matthew Robert/ Troop 48

Mr. Scarborough made a MOTION; seconded by Ms. Philo the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors recognizing Matthew Robert of Boy Scout Troop 48 rank of Eagle Scout at the August, 2011 Court of Honor ceremony.

MOTION was ADOPTED 4 to 0.

Eagle Scout Proclamation – Luke W. Neal/ Troop 71

Mr. Scarborough made a MOTION; seconded by Ms. Philo the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors recognizing Luke W. Neal of Boy Scout Troop 71 rank of Eagle Scout at the July 31, 2011 Court of Honor ceremony.

MOTION was ADOPTED 4 to 0.

Request Authorization to Advertise Proposed Ordinance – Outdoor Furnace

Ms. Mason explained the Outdoor Furnace is currently regulated through the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). Tonight's approval will assist the township in regulating outdoor wood burning furnaces through an ordinance allowing use within restrictions.

Mr. Scarborough made a MOTION; seconded by Mr. Colello the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors authorizes advertisement of the Outdoor Furnace Ordinance to the Code of Ordinances of the Township of Doylestown as recommended by the Planning Commission and Environmental Advisory Council.

MOTION was ADOPTED 4 to 0.

Resolution – DEP restore small project exemptions to the regulatory requirements of the Act 167/Neshaminy Creek Watershed Ordinance

Mr. Colello made a MOTION; seconded by Ms. Philo the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors authorizes the resolution be sent to the Department of Environmental Protection requesting to restore small project exemptions to the regulatory requirement of the Act 167 / Neshaminy Creek Watershed Ordinance.

MOTION was ADOPTED 4 to 0.

Sewage Facilities Planning Modules – 545 East State Street /Emergency Connection

Mr. Scarborough made a MOTION; seconded by Mr. Colello the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors authorizes an emergency public sewer system connection to the property located on 545 East State Street, Doylestown PA from the Green Street Treatment Plant.

MOTION was ADOPTED 4 to 0.

Sewage Facilities Planning Modules – Thompson Organization – 450 West Broad Street

Mr. Scarborough made a MOTION; seconded by Ms. Philo the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors authorizes a proposed sewage disposal method connection from the Thompson Organization located on 450 West Broad Street, Doylestown PA to the Chalfont-New Britain Waste Water Treatment plant.

MOTION was ADOPTED 4 to 0.

Delaware Valley College Parking Lot Project – Preliminary /Final Land Development

Mr. Garton informed the Board, representative from Gilmore & Associates are requesting approval for their Preliminary/Final Land Development Plan to construct 99 space parking facility to serve the adjacent athletic fields and supplement the main parking lot with one point of access from Farm View Road. Additionally, an underground water management facility will be installed beneath the proposed parking lot. Gilmore & Associates prepared the Preliminary Plans on June 7, 2011, last revised on July 5, 2011.

Gilmore & Associates' engineer; Justin Gennotti added the parking lot is to support the overflow of parking demands from soccer and baseball games, as well as the main parking lot. The stormwater will be controlled by two underground basins within township requirements.

Upon approval from the Board of Supervisor, Delaware Valley College is required to comply with the following conditions, set forth by Mr. Garton:

1. Compliance with the Boucher & James report dated July 14, 2011 with the understanding that the Board of Supervisors granted waivers from the following provisions of the Subdivision Land Development Ordinance:
 - (a) Section 153-28.F so as to not require that the parking lot be surrounded by a dense buffer but instead, the existing tree grove shall remain;
 - (b) Section 153-28.G which would have required the planting of four (4) islands within the

parking lot but instead, the Applicant shall be permitted to plant two (2) parking lot islands in accordance with the requirements of the Subdivision Land Development Ordinance.

- (c) Section 153-20.E so as to not require a traffic impact study;
 - (d) Section 153-28.D.(3) so as to permit the driveway to be a width of twenty-two (22') feet and the aisle width of eighteen (18') feet; and
 - (e) Section 153-42.A so as to not require all electric, telephone and communication facilities to be installed underground;
2. Compliance with the Pickering, Corts & Summerson report dated July 13, 2011;
 3. Compliance with the Decision of the Doylestown Township Zoning Hearing Board dated June 6, 2011;
 4. Receipt of all permits from any agencies having jurisdiction over such matters including, but not limited to, Bucks County Conservation District;
 5. Compliance with the comments from the Bucks County Planning Commission dated June 9, 2011;
 6. Compliance with the Doylestown Township EAC recommendations as set forth in a Memorandum dated June 17, 2011;
 7. Funding and execution of Development and Financial Security Agreements;
 8. Applicant to reimburse the Township for any and all expenses incurred with respect to the Application including professional fees.

On behalf of Delaware Valley College, Mr. Gennotti agreed and will comply with the conditions set forth by Township Solicitor; Jeffrey P. Garton.

Mr. Scarborough made a MOTION; seconded by Mr. Colello the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors approve Delaware Valley College Preliminary/Final Land Development to construct 99 space parking facility with one point of access from Farm View Road and an underground water management facility to be installed beneath the proposed parking lot with the conditions set forth by Township Solicitor; Jeffrey P. Garton.

MOTION was ADOPTED 4 to 0.

Bid – Pedestrian Crossing & Ramp Upgrades for Lower State Road and Memorial Drive

Mr. Scarborough made a MOTION; seconded by Mr. Colello the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors award the Pedestrian Crossing & Ramp Upgrades for Lower State Road and Memorial Drive bid to Professional Construction Contractors, Inc. of Bethlehem, PA in the amount of \$84,902.60.

MOTION was ADOPTED 4 to 0

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Scarborough made a MOTION; seconded by Ms. Philo the Doylestown Township Board of

Supervisors approve the July 19, 2011 Treasurer's Report.

MOTION was ADOPTED 4 to 0

BILL'S LIST

Mr. Scarborough made a MOTION; seconded by Ms. Philo, the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors approve the July 14, 2011 Bill's List, in the amount of \$676,548.99.

MOTION was ADOPTED 4 to 0

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ADJOURNMENT: 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by;

Stephanie J. Mason, Secretary