

**MINUTES OF THE
THE EAST ROCKHILL TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

July 15, 2008

The Regular Meeting of the East Rockhill Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman David Nyman, who led the Salute to the American Flag. Also present were Vice Chairman John Cressman, Supervisor Gary Volovnik, Solicitor Patrick Armstrong, Esquire, Engineer C. Robert Wynn, P.E., Township Manager Anne Klepfer and members of the press and public.

Item #1: Approval of Minutes

On motion by Mr. Volovnik **seconded** by Mr. Cressman, the minutes of June 17, 2008 were approved **unanimously**.

Item #2: Payment of Bills

Mr. Cressman **moved** to approve payment of the bills list dated July 15, 2008 totaling \$183,387.60, **seconded** by Mr. Volovnik and **approved 3-0**.

Public Comment I – There were no comments at this time.

Item #3: Manager's Report: Anne Klepfer

Fall Leaf Collection: Dates for the curbside leaf collection have been set for the first three weeks in November, with the Township being divided into two districts, each with a different week assigned. The third week will be used to clean up or respond to missed collections. Mrs. Klepfer also stated that she heard from Hilltown Township and that they were concerned by the news accounts of why East Rockhill Township is purchasing a new leaf collector. Hilltown Township did not say that they wanted their equipment returned, only that they may need it as a back-up.

Bids for Sale of Township Property: By **motion** of Mr. Cressman and **seconded** by Mr. Volovnik, the Board **unanimously** authorized Mrs. Klepfer to advertise and receive bids for the sale of a used 1989 Pick-up truck and a 1997 used Ford Crown Victoria.

CDBG Grant Contract: By **motion** of Mr. Cressman and **seconded** by Mr. Volovnik the Board **unanimously** authorized Mrs. Klepfer to execute the CDBG Grant Contract subject to review by the Township Solicitor and herself. The contract is for funding to fire proof Sheard's Mill Bridge.

By motion of Mr. Volovnik and **seconded** by Mr. Cressman, the Manager's Report was **unanimously approved**.

Item #4: Planning Commission Report:

Anne Fenley reported that the Planning Commission reviewed and recommended approval of the School District's Artificial Turf Land Development Plan and also reviewed the Holly Brook Farms Subdivision. They also reviewed the Ridge Investment Project (Stan's Stop) Planning Module.

By motion of Mr. Volovnik and **seconded** by Mr. Cressman, the Planning Commission Report was **unanimously approved**.

Item #5: PWTA Report:

Mr. Cressman reviewed the Minutes of the last PWTA meeting and indicated that East Rockhill will receive an additional 19 EDUs of allocated capacity that became available after analysis of the savings in capacity from recycling waste water.

By motion of Mr. Volovnik and **seconded** by Mr. Nyman, the PWTA Report was **unanimously approved**.

Item #6: Engineer's Report: C. Robert Wynn, P.E.

Pennridge High School Artificial Turf Land Development Plan: The plan was recommended for Preliminary/Final Plan approval subject to compliance with the Zoning Hearing Board Order dated July 15, 2008 and the C. Robert Wynn Associates Letter dated May 1, 2008 with a few minor adjustments agreed upon by the Planning Commission. Representatives from D'huy Engineering Inc., the Project Engineer, and the Pennridge School District were present. The plan was reviewed and the applicant's willingness to comply with the Zoning Hearing Order of July 15th and the Township Engineer's letter as modified by the Planning Commission acknowledged. A new letter with conditions of approval will be prepared by the Township Engineer. **By motion** of Mr. Cressman and **seconded** by Mr. Volovnik, preliminary/final plan approval was **unanimously granted** subject to compliance with the Zoning Hearing Order of July 15, 2008 and the C. Robert Wynn Associates letter as modified by the Planning Commission.

Extensions: Extensions were received from High Tract through January 21, 2009, B&D Custom Builders through December 31, 2008 and the Goepfert Minor Subdivision through October 30, 2008.

Vouchers: **By motion** of Mr. Volovnik and **seconded** by Mr. Cressman the Board **unanimously approved** Vouchers from the Pennridge School District (\$827.50 for construction services), Rockhill Crossing Sanitary Sewer (\$342.33) and Crest View Subdivision (\$333.61).

By motion of Mr. Cressman and **seconded** by Mr. Volovnik, the Engineer's Report was **approved 3-0**.

Item #7: Solicitor's Report: Patrick Armstrong, Esq.

Solicitor Armstrong did not have any business items for action by the Board.

By motion of Mr. Cressman and **seconded** by Mr. Volovnik the Solicitor's Report was accepted **unanimously**.

Item #8: Emergency Services Report:

The Board acknowledged reports from Perkasio and Dublin Fire Companies, **by motion** of Mr. Cressman, **seconded** by Mr. Volovnik, **voting 3-0**.

Item #9: Other Business:

There was none.

Public Comment II

Boy Scouts Will Marven, Joe Koch, and Bobby Lawson attended the meeting as a requirement for a merit badge. Bobby Lawson asked why the installation of a traffic pre-emption device is a requirement of the School District's football field. Chairman Nyman replied that it is for the good of the community since the improvements will increase the usage of the facility which in turn will increase traffic. Joe Cook and Will Koch each asked a question also. The first question was "how will the new turf field be funded"? Mr. Nyman explained that the Township's job is to review and approve the design of the proposed improvements and see that necessary public improvements are required. The project applicant is the School District and it will be their job to figure out how to pay for it. The Board clarified that the School Board is a separate entity and that they make their own decisions. The second question was where the Township got the money to buy the new tractor and leaf collector. Both items were either partially paid for or entirely paid for with grants from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The tractor was partially paid for with a grant and the remainder was financed. The leaf collector was paid for with the Township's recycling performance grant money.

Item #10: Adjournment:

On motion by Mr. Cressman, **seconded** by Mr. Volovnik, the Board adjourned at 7:50 P.M. With no additional comment, **all voted in favor**.

The next Regular Meeting – August 19, 2008, 7:00 PM. .

Respectfully Submitted,

Anne W. Klepfer, Secretary / Township Manager

Date Approved