

WEST MANHEIM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

WORK SESSION

Tuesday, August 16, 2011 - 7:00 p.m.

The Public Work Session was called to Order by Chairman Hartlaub at 7:00 p.m., followed by the Pledge to the Flag and Invocation.

ROLL CALL: Present were Supervisors Hartlaub, Woerner, Williams and Gobrecht. Supervisor Parr was absent. Also present were Solicitor Linus Fenicle, Mike Knouse from C. S. Davidson, Inc. and Manager Kevin Null.

VISITORS: Visitors register attached.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The Agenda was approved with the addition of Item 7. C - Orchard Estates Extension Request, in a motion by Supervisor Woerner and seconded by Supervisor Gobrecht. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of the Worksession meeting of July 19, 2011, were amended and approved, as submitted, in a motion by Supervisor Woerner, seconded by Supervisor Gobrecht and carried.

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 4, 2011 were approved, as submitted, in a motion by Supervisor Williams, seconded by Supervisor Woerner and carried.

APPROVAL OF DISBURSEMENTS: The Disbursements for the Month of July, 2011, from all Funds, were approved as listed in a motion by Supervisor Woerner, seconded by Supervisor Gobrecht and carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

(A) Mike Knouse presented the draft Storm Water Management Ordinance which is part of the Act 167 study performed by York County. In the study there was an Integrated Water Resource Plan, and as part of this included a model Stormwater Ordinance. The plan was adopted by York County and submitted to DEP for approval. DEP approved the Integrated Water Resource Plan and the proposed model ordinance. He said from this all municipalities received a letter requiring them to adopt the model Stormwater Ordinance by October 12, 2011. The Ordinance will make the Township in full compliance with the (NPDES) National Pollution Discharge Elimination System Permit Program which currently subdivisions fall into that are over an acre and any new impervious surface falls under the storm water ordinance. DEP is making no exemptions and everything will require stormwater management. They have met with Township staff to make them aware of the requirements. He said the Ordinance will need to be adopted by October 12, 2011. They are recommending authorizing the Solicitor to advertise in preparation for the

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September worksession meeting. In a motion by Supervisor Williams, seconded by Supervisor Woerner and carried, the Board authorized the advertisement of the Stormwater Management Ordinance for adoption at the worksession meeting on September 20th. After further discussion Supervisor Woerner stated that this requirement to adopt this ordinance without any exception for a small shed or short walkway is an overreach by the State and it is ridiculous burden on our residents.

(B) Supervisor Hartlaub said the South Western Senior Football Players Parent Committee has requested permission to have five bonfires at the Township building again this year before the home games. After discussion with the Township Manager the Board has agreed to allow the Committee to have their first bonfire on Thursday, September 8th with the approval of the Fire Department. If the Committee does not take the necessary steps to clean up the area after the event the Board will not allow them to hold another bonfire, and the Township can stop them at any time for any reason. In a motion by Supervisor Gobrecht, seconded by Supervisor Woerner and carried, the Board approved to allow the South Western Senior Football Players Parent Committee to have a bonfire at the Township building on Thursday, September 8th on a trial basis.

(C) Carl Gobrecht said he would not be able to attend the next Board of Supervisors meeting and the families Orchard Estates Land Development Plan is due for an extension request. He would like to request a 30 day extension to October 6, 2011. In a motion by Supervisor Williams, seconded by Supervisor Woerner and carried, the Board approved the 30 day extension request to October 6, 2011.

Carl Grubb, Impounding Dam Road, said he has no problem with the stuff in the newspaper that is true, but he does want to make a couple corrections. It was not in Harrisburg but it was in York. He said the night before his attorney received an email that the insurance company was trying to make a settlement that they weren't coming the next day. He can say this stuff wasn't right because they also made contact the day before because the attorney in Philadelphia had no intentions of showing up. The attorney in Philadelphia also called the three that were on the Board in York and said they weren't coming and that they were going to pay and that it's done and over with. He said the attorney wasn't out in a traffic jam which is something he wanted to clear up.

Supervisor Hartlaub said this is the information that was given to the Township by the insurance company.

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Carl Grubb said this needs to be corrected in the paper, that the insurance company did not get the right information because this was not true. He doesn't think anyone knew what the insurance company was doing. He said the other question he has is just a yes or no answer. Is it true that the Township employee that was fired has filed a lawsuit against the Township?

Solicitor Fenicle said to Mr. Grubb there is a lawsuit that was filed by Gregory Smith that is being handled solely by the insurance company, and not the same insurance company that handled his case.

Carl Grubb said he thinks the public needs to know that there has been a lawsuit filed.

Solicitor Fenicle said it is being handled by the insurance company with appointed counsel and it's in their hands.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS: Supervisors Regular Meeting - Thursday, September 1, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. with Supervisors Caucus at 6:00 p.m. Work Session Meeting - Tuesday, September 20, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. with Supervisors Caucus at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: The Work Session Meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m. in a motion by Supervisor Williams, seconded by Supervisor Woerner and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Gately
Acting Secretary