

# WEST MANHEIM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

## WORK SESSION

**Tuesday, January 17, 2012 - 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, Parr, Staaf, and Woerner. Supervisor Gobrecht was absent. Also present were Solicitor Linus Fenicle, Mike Knouse from C. S. Davidson, Inc. and Manager Kevin Null.

VISITORS: Visitors register attached.

Supervisor Hartlaub mentioned that an executive session was held prior to the start of the Regular Meeting to discuss personnel issues.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The Agenda was approved with the changes as noted in a motion by Supervisor Parr and seconded by Supervisor Woerner. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of the Re-Organizational Meeting of January 3, 2012, were approved, as submitted, in a motion by Supervisor Woerner seconded by Supervisor Parr and carried.

APPROVAL OF DISBURSEMENTS: There were no Disbursements for approval.

### DISCUSSION ITEMS:

(A) 2012 Road Projects:

Mike Knouse, C.S. Davidson reviewed the summary of the 2012 Proposed Road Projects including the locations and estimated costs, as distributed to the Board of Supervisors.

(B) Appointment to fill vacancy of Elected Auditor:

Kevin Null, Township Manager said that the elected auditor position was on the ballot in November 2011. There was a candidate that received four write-in votes and has since declined the position. There is currently an opening and according to the Second Class Township Code the Board of Supervisors needs to make an appointment by the end of the month. He asked if anyone is interested in the vacant position to let him know.

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(C) Appointment to fill vacancy of Zoning Hearing Board Member:

Kevin Null, Township Manager said there is an opening for a member on the Zoning Hearing Board. In a unanimous roll call vote of members present, the Board approved by Resolution to appoint Holly Zumbrum as a member to the Zoning Hearing Board. The motion carried.

(D) EMA Services Issues:

Supervisor Woerner said for the past eighteen months to two years West Manheim Township as well as other Townships and Boroughs as well as other assisting emergency responders, have encountered emergency services issues with the 911 digital radio systems.

Ted Clouser, Fire Chief, Pleasant Hill Volunteer Fire Company explained that during the recent calls in December they encountered problems with the patching system, which puts together York County; Adams County and Carroll County, Maryland companies, and it prevented them from communicating with other emergency responders. He said the proper complaint forms were filled out for both instances and sent to the York County 911 Center. They received confirmation from York County that the forms were received and informed it would be investigated. They have not received a satisfactory answer as of today. The administrative personnel at the 911 center stated that part of the problem stemmed from the firefighters in the field not being properly trained in the use of the radio system. He believes that the safety of the emergency responders and other departments that assist is compromised each time they respond to an incident. He said the system isn't working and the problems that exist with the radio system need to be addressed and corrected.

Supervisor Woerner submitted a letter to the Board of Supervisors that he would like to forward to the York County Board of Commissioners, the 911 Center and the Governor on behalf of our emergency services personnel, explaining the areas of concern related to the functionality of the York County's emergency radio system and the safety of our emergency responders. Supervisor Woerner made a motion to forward the letter to the above, seconded by Supervisor Parr. The motion carried.

(E) Correspondence:

Supervisor Hartlaub said the Board received letters from C.S. Davidson and Reager & Adler, PC thanking the Township for their reappointment.

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Supervisor Woerner said the Board received a letter from York County Board of Commissioners dated January 9, 2012 outlining two repeated issues raised by York County residents regarding the raising of their taxes and property tax reform. A letter was received from the South Hanover Little League thanking the Township for their past support and included sponsorship information for the 2012 season.

Supervisor Hartlaub opened the floor for residents concerns and comments:

Lisa Kane and Judy Maust, Guthrie Memorial Library, said they would like to request to be added to the meeting agenda for the regular meeting in February.

Frank Kadyszewski, 265 Valley View Road, expressed his concern that the Township should let the residents choose which organization they donate monies.

Supervisor Woerner said Mr. Kadyszewski has a valid point. He said anytime an organization comes to the Township asking for a donation they try to take into account if it will benefit the entire community. He said this is something the Supervisors should consider.

**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:** Supervisors Regular Meeting - Thursday, February 2, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. with Supervisors Caucus at 6:00 p.m. Work Session Meeting - Tuesday, February 21, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. with Supervisors Caucus at 6:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The Work Session Meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m. in a motion by Supervisor Woerner, seconded by Supervisor Staaf and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Gately  
Secretary