

# WEST MANHEIM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

## WORK SESSION

**Thursday, September 6, 2018 - 7:00 p.m.**

Chairman Hartlaub called the Work Session to Order at 7:05 p.m., followed by the Pledge to the Flag and Invocation by Supervisor Ault.

ROLL CALL: Present were Supervisors Ault, Blettner, Hartlaub, Ryneerson, Staaf, Solicitor Walter Tilley, III, and Township Manager, Marc Woerner. Township Engineer, Chis Toms was not present. A quorum was present.

Chairman Hartlaub announced that the Board of Supervisors held an executive session before the meeting to discuss sewer system sale.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Chairman Hartlaub asked all present if anyone wanted to address the Board. Mr. Michael Cundiff, 55 Sara Lane came forward to bring his concerns on the proposed apartment building located on Pumping Station Road and the impact it will have on the schools, infra-structure, police and fire departments.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Supervisor Ault made a motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of Tuesday, August 21, 2018, seconded by Supervisor Ryneerson. **Motion carried.**

CORRESPONDENCE: Chairman Hartlaub noted the Board received an invitation to attend the 102<sup>nd</sup> Annual York County Association Convention, November 15, 2018.

APPROVAL OF DISBURSEMENTS: The Disbursements from all Funds were approved, as listed, in a motion by Supervisor Ault, seconded by Supervisor Ryneerson. **Motion carried.**

ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

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- A. Request for zoning change for 961 Fuhrman Mill Road

Supervisor Ault made a motion to deny the request for zoning change for 961 Fuhrman Mill Road because spot zoning is illegal in the State of Pennsylvania, seconded by Supervisor Staaf. **Motion carried.**

### DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Draft Copy of the Grass Ordinance – Tabled
- B. Memo from Ruth Neiderer, Tax Collector on Eliminating the Per Capita Tax

Ruth Neiderer, Tax Collector for West Manheim Township, came before the Board to explain the reason for eliminating the Per Capita Tax, which would be beneficial to the Township residents. A copy of her memo to the Board members can be found in the township files.

C. Funding Emergency Services (Blettner & Staaf)

Chairman Hartlaub informed those present in the audience that Supervisors Blettner and Staaf attended a meeting concerning emergency services. Chairman Hartlaub acknowledged that funding emergency services is and has always been difficult since those services rely on volunteers and donations.

EMA Director, Mike Hampton explained the difficulties is raising the necessary funds. He explained that 4,000 newsletters in the spring requesting donations. Out of the 4,000 sent, about 700 are returned with anywhere for \$2 to \$1,000, the average being \$20. Emergency services depend a great deal on fundraisers to supplement their budget. They currently have a list of 75 volunteers to help with those fundraisers and out of those 75 are 20 volunteers who are dedicated to the work necessary to have a successful fundraiser. He expressed that emergency services in the township is struggling but are luckier than others.

The Board members reinforced their dedication in providing help to meet the challenges emergency services face.

SUPERVISORS AND/OR PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Chairman Hartlaub asked if any audience members wanted to address the Board. Mr. Andy Hoffman, 2527 Baltimore Pike approached the Board to express his support for eliminating the per capita tax and increasing taxes to help fund emergency services.

Mr. Jason Mangus, 35 St. Georgia Drive, brought two concerns before the Board. His first concern was the condition on Fairview Drive. His second concern is the safety of the children in the South Pointe subdivision.

Mr. Phillip Diener, 422 Pumping Station Road, brought his concern of the impact the new development will have on the creek that runs beside his home.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS: Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting – Tuesday, September 18, 2018 at 7 p.m. with Supervisor Caucus at 6 p.m. Work Session Meeting – Thursday, October 4, 2018 at 7 p.m. with Supervisors Caucus at 6 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: Supervisor Ault made a motion to adjourn the work session at 8:05 p.m., seconded by Supervisor Staaf. **Motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

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Miriam Clapper, Secretary

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Chairman