

UWCHLAN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 13, 2020

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this meeting was held virtually. Questions and comments from the public were received through typed submission in chat format.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Bill Miller.

Present: Supervisors: Bill Miller, Mayme Baumann and Kim Doan; Township Manager Scott Greenly; Assistant Township Manager/Secretary Katie Churchill; Building & Zoning Official Tara Giordano; Township Treasurer Sue Bernhard; Fire Marshal Mike Holmes; Police Chief Scott Alexander; Township Engineer Dan Daley and Township Solicitor Mark Freed

Minutes: *Mrs. Baumann made a motion to approve the Minutes of March 9, 2020 and Dr. Doan seconded. Mr. Miller asked for public comment. There being none, the motion was carried unanimously.*

REPORTS:

Police: Chief Alexander reported that there were 50 traffic citations, 20 traffic accidents and 24 criminal arrests during the month of March. Motor Carrier details conducted resulted in one truck being taken out of service.

Chief Alexander also noted that domestic related incidents from March 13th through April 13th totaled 19, an increase from the same time frame last year where the Department had only 5. He encouraged anyone having difficulty during this time of social distancing to call the Police. The Department can provide contact information in the mental health discipline to those in need.

Treasurer: Ms. Bernhard noted that to date, the Township has collected approximately 23% of its budgeted revenues and spent about 22% of its budgeted expenses.

Public Works: Mr. Greenly reported that for the month of March the Public Works Department marked for PA One Calls, televised Marchwood areas sewer lines, made repairs to sinkhole on Shelmire Rd., performed weekly meter checks and grease trap checks, and performed general maintenance.

Fire Marshal: Mr. Holmes reported that during the month of March he accepted limited permit applications due to limitations set forth by Governor Wolfe. No residential permits are being reviewed and only four commercial projects are considered essential. Mr. Holmes also investigated four burning complaints.

Lionville Fire Co.: Mr. Holmes reported that the Fire Company answered 20 alarms during the month of March, 10 of which were in Uwchlan Township.

Uwchlan Ambulance Corps: No one was present.

Mrs. Baumann made a motion to accept the reports as submitted and Dr. Doan seconded. Mr. Miller asked for public comment. There being none, the motion was carried unanimously.

BUSINESS:

Resolutions:

1. No. 2020-09: West Whiteland Mutual Aid Agreement
2. No. 2020-10: Chester County Mutual Aid Agreement

Mr. Greenly explained that the Township has had two emergency meetings with regards to the COVID-19 pandemic at which time these two Resolutions were passed. The Township made a Disaster Declaration on March 13, 2020, which was then continued until March 27th and, again, extended until termination, date at this time unknown.

The Mutual Aid Agreements are in place if, and when, outside resources are needed. An example would be if there is a shortage of police personnel available at a given time, the Department would then ask for help from West Whiteland until such time as staffing has returned to normal. It would prevent calls from the public to not go unanswered.

Mrs. Baumann made a motion to ratify the passing of Resolution Nos. 2020-09 & 2020-10 and Dr. Doan seconded. Mr. Miller asked for public comment. There being none, the motion was carried unanimously.

Awarding Bid for Sealer for the Road Materials for 2020 Roadway Improvement Projects:

The Township did not receive any bids for this project when advertised last month. As a result, another request for bid was advertised and the Township received one bid from AMS on April 9, 2020. All documents were in order and the bid price was similar to last year's amount.

Mrs. Baumann made a motion to award the bid for sealer to AMS and Dr. Doan seconded. Mr. Miller asked for public comment. There being none, the motion was carried unanimously.

Letter of Support for Brandywine Creek Greenway Grant Application:

This is the second year that the Brandywine Creek Greenway organization will be applying for grant money to fund nearly 30 miles of corridor with trails and parks. Uwchlan Township has been asked to write a letter of support for this application.

Mrs. Baumann made a motion to approve the letter of support and Dr. Doan seconded. Mr. Miller asked for public comment. There being none, the motion was carried unanimously.

Hankin Group – Eagleview Lot #58: Request for Extension

The Hankin Group has requested an additional 30-60 day extension for this plan to build a 50,000 s.f. 3-story office building on Lot #58 in Eagleview. The re-submitted preliminary/final

plan must be presented to the Planning Commission first for their comments. Due to the pandemic, this has not been possible yet.

Mrs. Baumann made a motion to accept the request for extension and Dr. Doan seconded. Mr. Miller asked for public comment. There being none, the motion was carried unanimously.

Hankin Group – Eagleview Town Center 44 Apartments: Preliminary/Final Land Development Plan Submission & Request for Extension until September

The Hankin Group has submitted their Preliminary/Final Land Development Plan, which will need to be sent out for review. The plan will then be presented to the Planning Commission for their comments. Due to the uncertainty of the pandemic, the Applicant has requested an extension until September 30, 2020 for the Township to review their plan.

No motion was required.

Vanguard: Request for 5-Year Extension – Until January 2026

The Township has received a letter from Denise Yarnoff, Attorney for Vanguard, requesting an extension for the completion of construction for Vanguard on the Happy Days Farm property along Route 100. There have been several extensions granted in the past.

Dr. Doan made a motion to grant the 5-year extension for Vanguard until January 2, 2026 and Mrs. Baumann seconded. Mr. Miller asked for public comment. There being none, the motion was carried unanimously.

Sunoco Update:

Mr. Miller stated that there is no activity in Uwchlan Township due to the order of Governor Wolfe. The only activity permitted is general maintenance, only.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Meetings will be held pending outcome of non-essential business closure order being lifted

1. 4/15 – Environmental Advisory Committee – Workshop – 6:30 p.m.
2. 4/17 – Uwchlan Township Industrial Development Authority – 9:00 a.m.
3. 4/20 – Community Day Committee – 7:00 p.m.
4. 5/04 – Park & Recreation – 7:30 p.m.
5. 5/06 – Planning Commission – 7:30 p.m.
6. 5/11 – Board of Supervisors – 7:30 p.m.
7. 5/14 – Historical Commission – 7:30 p.m. @ Cadwalader House

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR QUESTIONS & COMMENT

While waiting for questions to be submitted through the chat format, Mr. Greenly thanked all the staff for their work during these trying times.

1. How are sewer/trash bills being handled? These bills were mailed last week and the due date has been extended until May 15th. No bulk or yard waste is being currently collected until further notice.
2. Has Sunoco been granted any waivers to allow them to work? No, they are still pending.
3. Are permits required for food trucks to be operating in the Marchwood Shopping Center? The Township is currently looking into this.
4. Are permits being processed on-line? Government and construction is currently considered non-essential so no residential permits are being issued unless an emergency.
5. Will yard waste be picked up with regular trash? No, all yard waste pickup has been suspended until further notice. Residents may be able to take their yard waste to the Lanchester Landfill but they should call first for operating hours.

Mrs. Baumann thanked the public for their social distancing practices and noted that if we all work together, we will get through these trying times.

There being no other business, Mrs. Baumann made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 p.m. and Dr. Doan seconded. The motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie Churchill
Assistant Township Manager/Secretary

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