

UWCHLAN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MEETING MINUTES October 2005

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The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Joseph E. Toner and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Supervisors: Joseph E. Toner, Frederick W. Gaines and Milton H. Bozarth; Township Manager Doug Hanley; Building/Zoning Officer Tom Cooke; Township Secretary Lynda Phiel; Township Treasurer Susan Bernhard and Chief Davis.

Minutes: The minutes of September 26, 2005 were approved by a motion made by Mr. Bozarth and seconded by Mr. Gaines. Mr. Toner asked for public comment. There being none, the motion was carried.

BUSINESS:

Police: Chief Davis reported that there were 352 traffic citations issued, 34 criminal arrests and 37 auto accidents during the month of September.

When asked where the majority of the auto accidents occurred, Chief Davis said there was no particular pattern.

Treasurer: Ms. Bernhard submitted her report for the month of September. The following is a list of revenues and expenses:

Fund	Revenues	Expenses
General	\$655,804.60	\$456,283.47
Hydrant	309.56	7,848.00
Sewer	65,288.98	435,897.33

Ms. Bernhard reported that the Township has collected approximately 90% of its budgeted revenues and spent 70% of its budgeted expenditures.

Road Department: Mr. Hanley reported that for the month of September the Road Department milled and blacktopped around various manholes; repaired catch basins and sinkholes; cleaned out a culvert on Taylor Rd.; completed new employee parking lot at Administration building; and serviced and repaired various equipment.

Mr. Bozarth asked about the cause of the sinkholes. Mr. Hanley thought they were the result of blasting within the newer developments, which causes sinking over subsequent years.

Sanitation Department: Mr. Hanley reported that for the month of September:

Daily Average Flow:

Downingtown 1.4 million gpd

There were 4 new sewer connections to the Eagleview Plant and one connection to DARA for the month of September.

The Township has received .84 inches of precipitation during September. Year-to-date, the total precipitation is ½" below average.

Mr. Hanley also reported that almost 7" of rain fell over the past weekend.

Fire Marshal: Mr. Hanley reported that Mr. Holmes answered 19 fire calls, 9 of which were during work hours; reviewed plans for commercial buildings and conducted inspections of those under construction; performed 8 hours of Fire Company related activity during working hours; and prepared for Fire Prevention Week, which is currently taking place.

Lionville Fire Co.: Mr. Hanley reported that the Fire Co. answered 32 alarms during the month of September, 22 of which were in Uwchlan Township. Also, the Fire Co. will be hosting an Open House on Thursday, October 13, 2005 from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.

Uwchlan Ambulance Corps: No one was present.

Facilities Committee: There was no report.

Mr. Toner asked Chief Davis if the Police Department had a recommendation regarding the use of taser guns. Chief Davis said no decision had been made, but if the Department decided to implement tasers, each platoon would likely have just one.

Mr. Toner also asked the Township to check into the installation of a sewer line currently underway on the Bittman and Yagle properties located on Route 113.

The Board accepted the Reports as submitted.

Hankin/Eagleview : Acceptance of Conditional Use Decision

The Township is in receipt of a letter from the Hankin Group accepting the Conditional Use Decision for the

Eagleview condominiums in the Eagleview Town Center.

Mr. Bozarth questioned the wording of the letter. After a brief discussion, the Board members acknowledged receipt of the letter and the acceptance of the Conditions.

Resolutions:

1. No. 2005-33: Amending the Investment Policy for the Police Pension Plan

Mr. Gaines made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2005-33 and Mr. Bozarth seconded the motion. Mr. Toner asked for public comment. There being none, the motion was carried.

2. No. 2005-34: Revising the Official Sewage Facilities Plan for Dewees Subdivision

Mr. Bozarth made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2005-34 and Mr. Gaines seconded the motion. Mr. Toner asked for public comment. There being none, the motion was carried.

3. No. 2005-35: Revising the Official Sewage Facilities Plan for the Grant Subdivision

Mr. Gaines made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2005-35 and Mr. Bozarth seconded the motion. Mr. Toner asked for public comment. There being none, the motion was carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. 10/13 - Historical Commission - 7:30 p.m. - Cadwalader House

2. 10/22 - David Good Memorial 5K Run - 9:00 a.m. - Eagleview

3. 10/24 - Board of Supervisors - Regular Meeting & Conditional Use - Lionville Shopping Center Redesign - 7:30 p.m.

4. 10/26 - Zoning Hearing Board - Variances - Lionville Shopping Center

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Mike Musheno, 506 Woodview Dr., thanked the Board members for their approval of the Whitford Estates Block Party, which was held in September.

Mr. Hanley reported that the Township has received a request from Joe DeMucci for a Conditional Use Hearing for the old Ficca property located on S. Village Ave. The Hearing was scheduled for November 14, 2005.

There being no other business, Mr. Gaines made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 p.m. Mr. Bozarth seconded and the motion was carried.

October 24, 2005

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Joseph E. Toner and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Supervisors: Joseph E. Toner, Frederick W. Gaines and Milton H. Bozarth; Township Manager Doug Hanley; Building/Zoning Officer Tom Cooke; Township Secretary Lynda Phiel; Township Treasurer Susan Bernhard and Township Solicitor Guy Donatelli.

Mr. Toner welcomed Scout Troop #220 to the meeting.

Minutes: The minutes of October 24, 2005 were approved with a minor amendment by a motion made by Mr. Bozarth and seconded by Mr. Gaines. Mr. Toner asked for public comment. There being none, the motion was carried.

BUSINESS

Presenting the 2006 Budget:

Mr. Hanley reported that the Budget and Tax Rate for 2006 has tentatively been set. There is to be no increase in local taxes for the 20th year in a row although planned expenses are up 5% mainly as a result of an increase in fees to the Hankin Group for sewer expenses at the Eagleview Plant. There also will be no increase in permit fees or sewer/trash fees.

Mr. Toner thanked the Township staff for their diligence in not raising taxes. He also said it is important for the Board members to listen to public opinion with regards to raising taxes.

Mr. Bozarth made a motion to give preliminary approval to the 2006 Budget as presented and Mr. Gaines seconded. Mr. Toner asked for public comment. There being none, the motion was carried.

Hankin - Eagleview Town Center - Condominiums: 60-Day Time Extension

The Township has received a letter from the Hankin Group granting the Township a 60-day extension until January 5, 2006 to review the plans for the condominiums.

The Board accepted the extension.

Permission to Advertise Ordinance Authorizing Intergovernmental Cooperation for the Verizon Franchise Negotiations:

Mr. Hanley explained that there are 15 municipalities interested in participating as a group to negotiate a franchise agreement with Verizon at a greatly reduced cost.

The Board members agreed that such an ordinance should be drafted and advertised for adoption.

Mr. Bozarth asked if Verizon had requested a Solicitor's Permit because 2 men representing Verizon knocked on his door recently to introduce him to their product. Mrs. Phiel said an independent company representing Verizon products are in the process of getting a permit, but have not received it yet. They are not permitted to go door-to-door without permission and have I.D. badges issued by the Township.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. 10/26 - Zoning Hearing Board - 7 p.m. - Wawa
2. 11/02 - Planning Commission Meeting - 7:30 p.m.
3. 11/07 - Park and Recreation Board Meeting - 7:30 p.m.
4. 11/10 - Historical Commission - 7:30 p.m. - Cadwalader House
5. 11/14 - Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting - 7:30 p.m. and DeMucci, 5 S. Village Ave. - Conditional Use Hearing

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Immediately following meeting - Wawa Conditional Use Hearing

There being no other business, Mr. Gaines made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m. Mr. Toner seconded and the motion was carried.