

MINUTES OF THE
THE EAST ROCKHILL TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

January 19, 2010

The Regular Meeting of the East Rockhill Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman John Cressman, who led the Salute to the American Flag. Also present were Vice Chairman Gary Volovnik, Supervisor Jim Nietupski, Solicitor John B. Rice, Engineer Steve Baluh, and members of the press and public.

Item #1: Approval of Minutes

By **motion** of Mr. Nietupski and **second** by Mr. Volovnik, the minutes of December 15, 2009 were unanimously **approved 3-0**.

Item #2: Payment of Bills

On **motion** by Mr. Volovnik, **seconded** by Mr. Nietupski, the Bills List of January 19, 2010 totaling \$130,862.62 and the Bill List of December 2009 bills dated January 18, 2010) totaling \$18,975.16 were **approved 3-0**.

Public Comment I- Non Agenda Items:

There was none.

Conditional Use Hearing

AT&T Cell Tower Old Bethlehem Pike. Chairman Cressman announced that the Board of Supervisors would now conduct a Conditional Use Hearing to consider an application to construct a Cellular Communications Tower on a residential property fronting on Old Bethlehem Pike. He turned the hearing over to Solicitor Rice. Solicitor Rice summarized the application, stated for the record that it had been advertised in accordance with the law and that the application was reviewed by the Township Planning Commission. He advised the Board that they were to hear the testimony of the applicant and that they could testify and ask questions if they so desired. He determined that there were no other interested parties who wished to become a party to the application. The Hearing began at 7:08 PM and concluded at 8:40 PM. The Township Board of Supervisors will take the testimony under advisement, will consult with their Solicitor in an executive session and will issue a decision within 45 days.

Item #3: Manager's Report: Anne Klepfer

Bucks County Redevelopment Authority Grant: Mrs. Klepfer explained that Perkasio Borough Authority has submitted a payment request to the Bucks County Redevelopment Authority for the EPA funds earmarked for the Cedarview Water Line Extension project. The Authority requires that the Township approve the payment request and authorize payment directly to PBA. By **motion** of Mr. Volovnik and **second** by Mr. Nietupski, the Board **voted 3-0** to authorize the payment request in the amount of \$80,000.00 and direct payment to Perkasio Borough Authority.

The Manager's Report was approved **3-0** by **motion** of Mr. Volovnik and **second** by Mr. Nietupski.

Item #4: Planning Commission Report: The Planning Commission Reviewed the Village Commercial Zoning Amendment and voted to send it to the Bucks County Planning Commission for Review. The Planning Commission also reviewed the AT&T Conditional Use application and voted to advise the Board that they reviewed it and had no comments on it.

The Planning Commission Report was **approved 3-0** by **motion** of Mr. Volovnik and **second** by Mr. Nietupski.

Item #5: PWTA Report: John Cressman

Mr. Cressman reported that PWTA had just a brief end of the year meeting for regular business items.

By **motion** of Mr. Volovnik and **second** by Mr. Nietupski, the PWTA Report was approved by a **vote of 3-0**.

Item #6: PACC Report: The next meeting is January 28, 2010 and will be attended by Mr. Cressman.

Item #7 Engineer's Report: Steve Baluh P.E.

Draft SALDO Amendment. Mr. Baluh reviewed the draft SALDO Amendment that proposes to update the Township's Traffic Impact Study requirements. Mr. Cressman indicated that he would like to formalize how impact fees are determined. By **motion** of Mr. Volovnik and **second** by Mr. Nietupski the Board **voted 3-0** to send the draft Ordinance Amendment to the Township Planning Commission for review.

Cloonan Subdivision Request for Time Extension to Complete Public Improvements. By **motion** of Mr. Nietupski and **second** by Mr. Volovnik the Board **voted 3-0** to approve a 24-month extension for the Cloonan Subdivision improvements subject to confirmation by the Solicitor that the existing Letter of Credit is satisfactory.

Voucher's Dated January 8, 2010: Engineer Baluh noted one voucher listed on his Voucher Report. It is for Bucks County Community College for construction observation /escrow administration in the amount of \$335.27 made payable to C. Robert Wynn Associates. By **motion** of Mr. Volovnik and **second** by Mr. Nietupski, the Board voted **3-0** to approve the Voucher Report dated January 8, 2010.

High Tract: By **motion** of Mr. Volovnik and **second** by Mr. Nietupski, the Board voted **3-0** to deny the High Tract Subdivision due to the defects outlined in the December 27, 2004 review by the Township Engineer.

By **motion** of Mr. Nietupski and **second** by Mr. Volovnik, the Engineer's Report was **approved 3-0**.

Item #8 Solicitor's Report: John B. Rice, Esquire.

Suburban Zoning District Amendment Ordinance: At 9:15 PM Chairman Cressman re-opened the Public Hearing on the proposed Suburban Zoning Ordinance Amendment that was continued from the December 15, 2009 Board of Supervisors Meeting. Mr. Cressman stated that in light of the proposed Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance being considered, he would like more time to consider the Suburban Zoning District Amendment and inquired from the Solicitor if the Public Hearing could be continued until April 20, 2010? The Solicitor answered in the affirmative be advised that it should be re-advertised. The Board was in agreement to continue the Public Hearing until April 20th subject to re-advertising and by **3-0 vote** did so by **motion** of Mr. Nietupski and **second** by Mr. Volovnik.

By **motion** of Mr. Volovnik and **second** by Mr. Nietupski, the Solicitor's Report was **approved 3-0**.

Item #9: Emergency Services Report:

On motion by Mr. Nietupski, **seconded** by Mr. Volovnik, the Board acknowledged monthly and year-end reports from Perkasio, Sellersville, Haycock and Dublin Fire Companies. With no discussion, **all voted in favor**.

Item #10: Other Business: None

Public Comment II – There was none.

Adjournment:

On motion by Mr. Volovnik, **seconded** by Mr. Nietupski, the Board adjourned the meeting at 9:25 PM With no additional comment, all voted in favor.

The next Regular meeting will be February 16, 2010.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anne W. Klepfer, Secretary / Township Manager

Date Approved