

**East Rockhill Township Board of Supervisors
December 13, 2011
Work Session Meeting Minutes**

The work session of the East Rockhill Township Board of Supervisors was held at 7:00 p.m. on December 13, 2011 at the Township meeting room at the East Rockhill Township Municipal Building, 1622 Ridge Road, Perkasie, PA 18944.

Present:	John Cressman	Chair
	Gary Volovnik	Vice Chair
	James Nietupski	Member
	John B. Rice	Township Solicitor
	C. Robert Wynn	Township Engineer
	Marianne Morano	Asst Twp Secretary
	Jeff Scholl	Public Works Director

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by John Cressman

Minutes from November 8, 2011 Budget Meeting and November 8, 2011 Work Session

James Nietupski made a motion to adopt the meeting minutes from the November 8, 2011 Budget Meeting and the November 8, 2011 Board of Supervisors' Work Session meeting. Gary Volovnik seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Payment of the Bills

James Nietupski made a motion to approve and pay the bills on the Bill List dated December 9, 2011 in the amount of \$49,477.20. Gary Volovnik seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Public Comment #1

No formal action was taken by the Board.

Township Business Matters

Resignation of Anne Klepfer. Gary Volovnik made a motion to accept the resignation of Anne Klepfer. James Nietupski seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. James Nietupski made a motion to approve the separation Agreement for Anne Klepfer. Gary Volovnik seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. The Board asked if there were any public comments. Anne Fenley commented she was very disappointed she has done an excellent job.

Presentation of Amphibian Crossing Project. Laura Baird from Heritage Conservancy and volunteers of the amphibian crossing group presented to the Board information on the migration of amphibians in two locations on Rockhill Road in East Rockhill Township. The migration occurs between the end of February and the beginning of April on a rainy night. She and a group of volunteers are seeking permission to have access at the two locations, post barricades and close the roads except to homeowners when the event occurs. The project is to be coordinated.

Resolution 2011-17. Resolution fixing the Real Estate Tax Rate for 2012 at 5.225 mills General; 1 mill Fire; 1.26 mills Police Headquarters; and .65 mill for Infrastructure. After receiving no public comment, James Nietupski made a motion approving Resolution 2011-17. Gary Volovnik seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Resolution 2011-18. Resolution fixing a final 2012 budget totaling \$3,496,950 for all funds. Gary Volovnik made a motion approving Resolution 2011-18. James Nietupski seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Resolution 2011-19. Resolution setting the street light assessment at \$34 per affected property. James Nietupski made a motion approving Resolution 2011-19. Gary Volovnik seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Rockhill Road Bridge Proposal. James Nietupski had some questions about the proposal. A meeting to review the proposal is to be coordinated with McMahan Associates and C. Robert Wynn in January.

Public Works Report

The Police Commission would like the Police Chairperson's municipality to handle plowing for the Police Headquarters. West Rockhill will set the standard in 2012, with East Rockhill starting in 2013.

No formal action was taken by the Board.

Township Engineer's Report: C. Robert Wynn

No report.

Solicitor Report: John B. Rice, Esq.

The Solicitor announced that an executive session was held on November 23, 2011 to discuss personnel.

Oak Tree Recycling. There was a revised Development Agreement due to a decreased escrow for improvements done in advance. James Nietupski made a motion approving the revised Agreement. Gary Volovnik seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

The Solicitor announced that an executive session will follow the work session to discuss personnel.

Public Comment #2

David Nyman updated the Board on the possibility of the Senior Center having a generator for the Township. The Senior Center is still evaluating the need to keep the generator.

David Costello introduced himself and supplied his resume for the Township Manager position.

David Nyman inquired about the Police soliciting for sign donation and why the Police Commission does not use the existing sign.

Charles Turley questioned the meaning of affected properties in Resolution 2011-19, Street Light Assessment.

No formal action was taken by the Board.

Adjournment

James Nietupski made a motion to adjourn to executive session. Gary Volovnik seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.