

**MINUTES OF
THE WORK SESSION OF
THE EAST ROCKHILL TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
September 14, 2004**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mr. Cressman , Mr. Volovnik and Mr. Nyman as well as John Rice, Steven Funk, Bob Wynn and John Cornell and members of the Public.

Public Comment: Mr. Cressman opened the meeting to public comment.

- Mr. Ken Texter questioned why the Board was not pursuing a ballot referendum for the covered bridge issued. It was explained state law requires ballot questions have a specific financial obligation for the voters. Mr. Texter also stated his support of a new concrete bridge and opposed the rebuilding of the covered bridge.
- Mr. Clyde Bryan requested the Township request again that Penn Dot lower the speed limit on 5th Street. It agreed the manager would send a letter with input from the Chief of Police.
- Ms. Kathleen Schulman presented a petition in support of rebuilding the bridge.
- Mr. John Miller shared his support for rebuilding the covered bridge.

Being no additional public comment the meeting resumed.

Approval of Minutes: At this time, by way of motion vote all in favor the minutes of August 10, 2004 was approved as presented.

Item #1. Manager's Report: Mr. Cornell presented two letters for approval and signature by the Board. Mr. Cornell read a letter indicating support for rebuilding the bridge addressed Mr. Andrew Warren of Penn Dot, the Board members then signed the letter. Next Mr. Cornell read a letter addressed to the Bucks County Commissioners requesting the County take ownership of the bridge once rebuilt by Penn Dot, the Board then signed the letter. Next Mr. Cornell presented a resolution supporting the Liberty Bell Trial, by way of motion by Mr. Nyman second by Mr. Cressman, vote all in favor the resolution was approved and signed. Lastly Mr. Cornell reminded the Board and Public of a meeting scheduled September 15th at Perkasio Borough to discuss vandalism along the walking path. The Manager's report was then accepted as presented.

Item #2. PWTA Report: Mr. Cressman reported on the last meeting held at PWTA. The PWTA report was then accepted as presented

Item #3. Solicitor Report: Under his report Mr. Rice discussed a request from Mr. John Grim for the Township to consider abandoning a portion of East Rock Road, Mr. Rice presented the Bucks County Community College land development and escrow agreements for signature as well as the Beres/Wert Subdivision agreements. Mr. Rice discussed the maintenance of the roads in the Eastern Equities project and also the status of the Cinnabar Farms project. Further Mr. Rice discussed the issues surrounding the development district and density requirements related to the comprehensive plan currently under review. Lastly Mr. Rice requested an executive session to discuss real estate.

Item #4. Engineer's Report: Mr. Wynn and Mr. Funk discussed their investigation into fields for the soccer. It was agreed the township would allow the use of stock piled millings to be used for the parking area construction at the Iron Bridge field, and also authorized the Engineer to proceed with the E&S permitting. They also discussed the concept of constructing two fields at the Markey Centennial Park. Mr. Wynn also discussed the use of speed humps on branch road and traffic calming. It was agreed to obtain the Chief of Police' input on the matter. The Engineer's report was then accepted.

Item #5. PACC: Mr. Nyman presented a written report on the last PACC meeting.

Item #6. Other Business: Mr. Nyman questioned the status of the revised subdivision and land development submittal review check list. He presented a copy of Plumstead Townships' form. Mr. Nyman also requested Mr. Wynn evaluate the basin next to the Bridge View development. He had been informed that it was silted. Mr. Cressman requested a letter be sent to the Pennridge School District requesting the buses adhere to the posted speed limits along Branch Road and also consider accessing Callowhill in place of Blooming Glen.

Public Comment: Mr. Cressman opened the meeting for public comment, being no public comment the meeting was adjourned into executive session.

Item #7. Adjournment: the meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm into executive session, following the session the evening concluded, no formal action was taken.

Respectfully Submitted,

John V. Cornell, Township Manager