

Minutes of the East Rockhill Township Board of Supervisors
Re-Organization Meeting
Monday, January 3, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by 2010 Chairman John Cressman, who led the Board in a Salute to the Flag. Also in attendance were 2010 Vice-Chairman Gary W. Volovnik and Supervisor James C. Nietupski as well as Solicitor Patrick Armstrong, Esq., Township Engineer C. Robert Wynn, P.E., Township Manager Anne W. Klepfer, and Public Works Director Jeffrey Scholl.

Mr. Cressman asked Solicitor Armstrong to act as the Temporary Chair and assist the Board with selecting a new Chairman.

Chairman of the Board of Supervisors: Mr. Armstrong asked for nominations for Chairman of the Board. Mr. Volovnik nominated John Cressman for Chairman. Mr. Nietupski seconded the nomination. There being no further nominations Mr. Armstrong called for a vote and Mr. Cressman was **unanimously (3-0) voted** 2011 Chairman of the Board of Supervisors for East Rockhill Township. Mr. Armstrong turned the Meeting back over to Mr. Cressman for further activity.

Vice-Chairman of the Board of Supervisors: Chairman Cressman asked for nominations for Vice-Chairman of the Board of Supervisors. Mr. Nietupski **moved** to nominate Gary Volovnik for Vice-Chairman. Mr. Cressman **seconded** the nomination. There were no further nominations and Mr. Nietupski's motion was **approved 3-0**.

Item #1 –Resolution No. 2011-01

Mr. Cressman, read each article of **Resolution 2011-01** aloud. Following the reading of each Article, the Articles were approved as follows:

ARTICLE 1 – Board Appointments, PSATS Voting Delegate, Vacancy Board, Auditors: **Motion** by Mr. Nietupski **Seconded** by Mr. Volovnik and **approved 3-0**.

ARTICLE II – Staff Positions and ARTICLE III Financial Institutions: **Motion** by Mr. Nietupski, **Seconded** by Mr. Volovnik and **approved 3-0**.

ARTICLE IV- Planning Commission Appointments and ARTICLE V- Zoning Hearing Board Appointments: Mr. Nietupski stated that he is not in favor of re-appointing Mr. Nyman to the Planning Commission. He feels that there should be term limits and new people should be given a chance to serve. He also noted that Mr. Nyman's position on the Bucks County Planning Commission gives him an opportunity to review East Rockhill Township plans. **Motion** Mr. Volovnik moved to approve ARTICLE IV and ARTICLE V as presented. **Seconded** Mr. Cressman the motion by Mr. Volovnik and the motion was **approved 2-1 with Mr. Nietupski opposed**.

ARTICLE VI- Park and Recreation Board Appointments and ARTICLE VII- Joint UCC Appeals Board Appointments: **Motion** by Mr. Nietupski, **Seconded** by Mr. Volovnik and **approved 3-0**.

ARTICLE VIII- Tax and Assessment Rates: **Motion** by Mr. Nietupski, **Seconded** by Mr. Volovnik and **approved 3-0**.

ARTICLE IX- TAX EXEMPT TOWNSHP PROPERTIES: **Motion** by Mr. Nietupski, **Seconded** by Mr. Volovnik and **approved 3-0** to exempt Township owned properties at 1920 Ridge Road and 1802 Ridge Road from Township Real Estate Tax.

ARTICLE X- Bonds for Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer, ARTICLE XI-Employee Wage and Benefits and Article XII Meeting Schedule: **Motion** by Mr. Nietupski, **Seconded** by Mr. Volovnik and **approved 3-0**.

Having adopted each Article individually, Chairman Cressman asked for a motion to adopt **Resolution No. 2011-01**. **Motion** by Mr. Nietupski, **Seconded** by Mr. Volovnik and **approved 3-0**.

Item #2 Other Business

Separation of Employment for Kimberly Mauer: By **motion** of Mr. Nietupski and **second** by Mr. Volovnik, the Board **voted 3-0** to approve the separation agreement dated December 30, 2010 between Mrs. Mauer and the Township

Old Bethlehem Pike: Mr. Volovnik asked Mr. Wynn his thoughts on the possibility of reducing the speed limit on Old Bethlehem Pike in East Rockhill Township from 35 to 25 mph. Mr. Wynn responded that it would be difficult given the classification of the road.

Public Comment

Mr. David Nyman suggested the Board diligently seek to replace Mr. Martin on the UCC. He informed the Board that the Dublin Hearing was difficult to schedule because one of the West Rockhill Township Board members didn't respond to inquiries.

Mr. Nyman also clarified that while he is on the Bucks County Planning Commission he does not perform the Subdivision Reviews of East Rockhill Township applications. He also stated that he is disappointed that Mr. Nietupski would not vote to re-appoint him to the Township Planning Commission and hopes that Mr. Nietupski will be consistent with his position on Term Limits when voting on other appointments and offices.

Item #3

Adjournment: Being no further business, Mr. Volovnik **moved** to adjourn into the January Work Session. Mr. Nietupski **seconded** the motion which **carried 3-0**. The Reorganization Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anne W. Klepfer, Township Manager

Approved: _____