



West Pikeland Township
 1645 Art School Road
 Chester Springs, Pennsylvania
 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
 May 2nd, 2016 at 7:30 p.m.

ATTENDING BOARD OF SUPERVISORS	ATTENDING TOWNSHIP PERSONNEL
Richard R. Bright, Jr., Chair	Jim Wendelgass, Township Manager
Harold Hallman, Vice Chair	Shane Clark, Chief of Police
Ernie Holling, Supervisor	
Charlie Humphreys, Supervisor	
Pam Conti, Supervisor	

Chairman Bright called the meeting to order at 7:31 P.M. at the Township Building and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

OATH OF OFFICE FOR JIM WENDELGASS

The Chairman welcomed Jim Wendelgass as the new Township Manager. He was not sworn in because the notary was not present.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was amended to set a date for reopening the hearing on the proposed Ordinance on septic systems.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Chairman Bright opened the floor for additions or corrections to the minutes of April 25, 2016. Hearing none, the Chairman approved the minutes as submitted.

PERSONS WISHING TO BE HEARD

The Chair asked if any one wished to present issues not on the agenda. Mr. Kocher commented on planning and priorities.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The Chairman reopened the hearing on draft Ordinance 2016-2, which would require the assignment and posting of numbers to each building, tract, lot or parcel of land in the Township

with shared driveways. Supervisor Holling summarized the proposed Ordinance. There was a discussion of the number of properties which might be affected by the proposed Ordinance. Chief Clark explained that there have been several problems with emergency services finding the correct location when a shared driveway was involved. Supervisor Humphreys proposed that residents be informed on where they can get the signs and where they need to be posted before the Ordinance is adopted. There was a discussion of the proposed penalties. The Board directed the Township Manager to determine the parcels on shared driveways which might be affected, and send them a letter identifying a source for the signs and making clear where the signs need to be placed. The Board continued the hearing until the Board meeting on June 20th and closed the hearing for the evening.

The Board obtained updates from Township Engineer Giacomis regarding the Horseshoe Trail Bridge and the development of the park at the White property. With respect to the park, plans for the initial work have been completed and will be submitted for review to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection ("DEP") and the Chester County Conservation District. Once the reviews are completed, the intent is to out to bid and start construction in the August to September time frame. There was a discussion on naming the park.

With respect to the bridge, DEP is still review the submissions. The intent is to go out to bid on the construction in late Summer.

With respect to the date for reopening the hearing on the proposed Ordinance regarding septic systems, the Board set June 20, 2016 as the date for that hearing.

NEW BUSINESS

Ted Giacomis appeared on behalf of the Open Space Committee and Jack Stefferud appeared on behalf of Natural Lands Trust. They brought before the Board a proposal for a conservation easement of a 137 acre parcel on Bodine Road. The owner has agreed to a conservation easement, which would be paid for by a combination of funds from the Township, Chester County and a grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Natural Resources ("DCNR"). There was a discussion of the project. Supervisor Holling made a motion that the Board commit \$802,890 in open space funds to the project so that a conservation easement could be obtained on the property with the condition that if additional funds could be obtained from DCNR, the commitment would be reduced proportionately. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Conti. It was approved unanimously.

Ted Giacomis made a presentation to the Board on having signage for preserved properties in the Township and for trail easements. There was a discussion on such signage. The signage is to be acquired by the West Pikeland Land Trust and deployed by it.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman announced the next meeting of the Board of Supervisors is scheduled for Monday, May 16, 2016 and for Monday June 6, 2016.

ADJOURNMENT

Supervisor Holling made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Supervisor Hallman. It was approved unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.

Jim Wendelgass
Township Manager Acting Secretary