

WORCESTER TOWNSHIP
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WORCESTER TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY HALL
FAIRVIEW VILLAGE, PA
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2008 7:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Supervisors was called to order by Mr. Harris at 7:30 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ATTENDANCE

PRESENT:

JOHN R. HARRIS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
STEPHEN C. QUIGLEY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
ARTHUR C. BUSTARD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

INFORMATIONAL ITEM

John Harris, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, announced that under the “Other Business” section of the agenda there will be two items of discussion: 1. A proposal for the new public works building and 2. A request for a monetary contribution from the Methacton Football Association

The multi-way stop sign at Stump Hall Road and Green Hill Road has been approved and will be installed by Penn DOT.

EXECUTIVE SESSION REPORT

James Garrity, Township solicitor, announced that there have been no executive sessions since the last one was announced.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

None

1. READING AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 17, 2008

A motion by Mr. Bustard and seconded by Mr. Quigley and unanimously approved to dispense with the reading of, and approve the minutes of September 17, 2008 as written. (Copies were available for review.)

2. TREASURER’S REPORT

The Treasurer’s report for September, 2008 net change on cash basis:

September 2008 Report:

General Fund	\$405,391.72
State	\$59,990.19
Capital Reserve	\$25,526.15

A motion by Mr. Bustard, seconded by Mr. Quigley and passed unanimously to accept the Treasurer's Report for September, 2008 net change on a cash basis.

3. PAYMENT OF THE BILLS OF THE TOWNSHIP

A motion by Mr. Bustard, seconded by Mr. Quigley and approved by all to pay the bills of the Township in the amount of \$ 451,342.38

4. STONY CREEK FARMS – RIPARIAN ZONE CONDITIONAL USE

A Conditional Use application was received on September 23, 2008. The public hearing was advertised on the property and in the newspaper, with notices mailed to neighboring properties within 500 feet. CKS Engineers, in their review letter of October 1, 2008, recommended granting approval with conditions.

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING

Mr. Garrity opened the Public Hearing at 7:36 P.M.

PRESENTATION OF THE FACTS

Mr. Garrity gave a brief explanation

Christen Pionzio, attorney for the applicant, gave a presentation of facts.

A court reporter was in attendance for a transcript of the proceedings.

There were no questions from the public.

Mr. Garrity closed the public hearing at 7:50 P.M.

A motion by Mr. Bustard, seconded by Mr. Quigley and passed by all to approve the conditional use application subject to the three conditions, one being that the plan be re-recorded to show the new trail and riparian crossing for protection of future property owners.

5. ZONING HEARING BOARD REPORT – NEXT HEARING OCTOBER 28, 2008

All applications and related drawings are available for public review at the township office, 1721 Valley Forge Road, from 8:00 am- 4:30 pm Monday through Friday.

The Zoning Hearing Board will render the decision on Skippack Pike, LC.

Four new applications have been received as follows:

08-10, 2120 Schultz Road, side yard setback and building envelope

08-11, 1811Hollow Road, rear yard setback for pool

08-12, 1722 Kriebel Mill Road side yard setback for addition

08-13, 2564 Preble Circle, side and rear yard set backs for pool

6. OTHER BUSINESS

1. The Public Works Building:

With the construction of the new Worcester Volunteer fire house, the township lost a public works building. At the October work session, several options were discussed including three types of modular buildings or a pole barn. The options were viewed again noting that proposed building B is a modular construction and Building D is a pole barn type building with a \$4,000 difference in price. Building D is considered the best deal for township.

Steve Quigley noted that it would be more aesthetic, considering the surrounding park.

Art Bustard concurs with Building D, noting that the price and looks are best and provides a room for seminars that can be utilized for safety meetings.

Steve Quigley added that it could also serve for community group sports registration since it has public access on one side.

The building will be located behind the existing green storage building, with a corridor between them.

John Cornell, township manager, thanked the Board for direction.

2. Methacton Football request for donation and if it is appropriate use of township funds?

Steve Quigley inquired what the association has done to raise their own funds.

John Harris said it is an important part of the community, and would consider a small donation.

Arthur Bustard stated that he felt it was not an appropriate use of taxpayer funds and it opens the door to requests from many more charities. He suggested allowing the use of the concession stands in Heebner Park to raise funds.

The Board determined it will wait and get more information on their need.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (ANY TOPIC- 2 MINUTE LIMIT)

Kim McClintock addressed mosquito concerns and asked if the Montgomery County Department of Health has done any spraying along North Wales & Township Line Roads. He requested the email address for DEP and the Montgomery County Health Department.

David Brooks (addressed removed for privacy) asked for the status of the stop sign study at Bean and Whitehall Roads. Joseph Nolan, township engineer, responded that he saw a draft from PENN DOT but had received a formal report.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business brought before this Board, Mr. Harris adjourned the regularly scheduled meeting at 8:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur C. Bustard