

WORK SESSION
April 20, 2010

A Work Session of the Whitpain Township Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday, April 20, 2010 at the Whitpain Township Building, 960 Wentz Road, Blue Bell, PA at 7:30 PM for the purpose of reviewing the agenda of the April 20, 2010 Supervisors' Meeting. Chairman Joseph J. Palmer was present with Supervisors Brian W. Young, Anthony F. Greco, and Adam D. Zucker. Township Solicitor James Garrity, Township Manager Phyllis C. Lieberman, Assistant Township Manager/Township Engineer Roman M. Pronczak, Director of Finance John Marcarelli, Police Chief Mark Smith, Director of Public Works Ronald J. Cione, Director of Code Enforcement Michael E. McAndrew, Fire Marshal David M. Camarda, and Parks and Recreation Director Kurt W. Baker, and Communications Consultant Tom Gailey were also present. One member of the public was present. Supervisor Frederick Conner was absent.

The Supervisors reviewed the agenda discussing approval of the minutes of the April 6, 2010 Supervisors' Meeting, approval of the Treasurer's Report for March 2010, a motion to authorize the Township Manager to advertise for bids for sanitary sewer relining for 2010, a motion to adopt resolution No. 912, endorsing and adopting the amended Articles of Agreement for the Montgomery County Consortium of communities, a motion to authorize the Township Manager to advertise proposed ordinance #236-2 regarding Public Fire Protection Services in Whitpain Township, and a motion to authorize the township Manager to advertise proposed Ordinance #89-2 adopting the 2009 International Code Council International Fire Code and making modifications as noted.

Tom Gailey gave a short report to the Supervisors about the status of the new communications system. He noted that in a very short time people had signed on for e-mail blasts and tweets. He said that he expected that the system will be quite successful as it moves forward. His next step is working with the department heads on updating the Township website. The Supervisors thanked him for his report.

The Supervisors then left for the public meeting.

The Work Session was reconvened at 8:15 PM. Tim Hartman, Executive Director of the Waste System Authority and two representatives of Gannett Fleming Engineers joined the group to discuss what will happen when the service agreement with Montenay at the Trash to Steam Plant expires in 2015. They discussed the options available to the Township and offered their services in helping the Township choose what it wishes to do. They discussed, in particular, contracting with a single hauler. After the Supervisors asked numerous questions, they thanked the gentleman for coming.

The Supervisors then discussed two legal matters.

At approximately 9:30 PM, the Work Session was adjourned.

Phyllis C. Lieberman
Whitpain Township Manager

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The regular monthly meeting of the Whitpain Township Board of Supervisors was held Tuesday, April 20, 2010 at the Whitpain Township Building, 960 Wentz Road, Blue Bell, PA. Supervisors Joseph J. Palmer, Brian W. Young, Anthony F. Greco, Adam Zucker were present. Township Manager Phyllis Lieberman, Township Engineer/Assistant Township Manager, Roman Pronczak, Township Solicitor, James J. Garrity, Director of Finance, John Marcarelli, Code Enforcement Officer Michael E. McAndrew, Police Chief Mark A. Smith, Parks & Recreation Director, Kurt W. Baker, Director of Public Works, Ronald J. Cione, Fire Marshal David M. Camarda, and Recording Secretary Michele Alifano were also present. There was one member of the public in attendance at the meeting. Supervisor Frederick R. Conner, Jr. was absent.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Chairman Palmer called the meeting to order at 8:00 PM.

A motion was made by Mr. Zucker, duly seconded by Mr. Greco to approve the minutes from the April 6, 2010 Board of Supervisors' meeting. Chairman Palmer called for any discussion. There being none, the motion unanimously passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Greco, duly seconded by Mr. Zucker to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of March, 2010. Chairman Palmer called for any discussion. There being none, the motion unanimously passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Zucker, duly seconded by Mr. Young to authorize Manager to advertise for bids for sanitary sewer relining for 2010. Chairman Palmer then called for any discussion. There being none, the motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Greco, duly seconded by Mr. Zucker to adopt Resolution Number 912, a Resolution endorsing and adopting the amended Articles of Agreement for the Montgomery County Consortium of Communities. Chairman Palmer called for any discussion. There being none, the motion unanimously passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Greco, duly seconded by Mr. Young to authorize the Township Manager to advertise proposed Ordinance # 236-2, an Ordinance regarding Public Fire Protection Services in Whitpain Township. Chairman Palmer then called for any discussion. There being none, the motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Greco, duly seconded by Mr. Young to authorize the Township Manager to advertise proposed Ordinance # 89-2, an Ordinance adopting the 2009 International Code Council International Fire Code and making modifications as noted. Chairman Palmer then called for any discussion. There being none, the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Young then called for any comments or questions from the Board or the floor. Mr. Matthew Hillbush asked if the proposed Ordinances pertaining to updates of the Fire Code will require sprinklers for residences. Fire Marshal, David M. Camarda responded that the Fire Code does not dictate what needs to be installed in a building, but rather those requirements are covered under the Building Code. Code Enforcement Officer, Michael E. McAndrew provided further information to clarify, stating that currently sprinklers are required in multi-family residences, and as of January, 2011, they will be required in single family dwellings.

Mr. Young noted for the record the passing of Mr. John Todd, a former member of both the Whitpain Township Planning Commission, as well as the Shade Tree Commission, following a prolonged battle with illness. He thanked Mr. Todd for his years of dedicated service to the Township.

There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion made by Mr. Young the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Anthony F. Greco, Secretary