

WORK SESSION
May 19, 2010

A Work Session of the Whitpain Township Board of Supervisors was held on Wednesday, May 19, 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 May 19, 2010 Supervisors' Meeting. Chairman Joseph J. Palmer was present with Supervisors Brian W. Young, Adam D. Zucker and Frederick Conner. Township Manager Phyllis C. Lieberman, Assistant Township Manager/Township Engineer Roman M. Pronczak, Director of finance John Marcarelli, Police Chief Mark Smith, and Director of Public Works Ronald J. Cione were also present. Supervisor Anthony f. Greco, Solicitor James J. Garrity, Director of Code Enforcement Michael E. McAndrew, Fire Marshal David M. Camarda, and Director of Parks and Recreation Kurt W. Baker were absent. One member of the public was present.

The Supervisors reviewed the agenda discussing an announcement that the Verizon Government Access Channel is now up and running, a motion to declare Monday, June 14, 2010 as Military and Armed Services Appreciation Day in Whitpain Township, a motion to approve the minutes of the May 4, 2010 Supervisors' Meeting a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of April 2010, consideration of a request from Hansen Properties for a waiver from the requirement of preparing a land development plan at Normandy Farm, 1401 Morris Road for a 1,476 square foot bar addition for which conditional use application was previously approved, authorization for the Chairman and Secretary to sign on behalf of the Township a Pillar Agreement to allow installation of a Belgian block driveway apron within the right-of way at 902 Deerpath Road, a motion to advertise proposed Ordinance #4-229 regulating LED signs, and several Zoning Hearing Board applications.

Mrs. Lieberman noted that Mr. Garrity had advised that there were provisions in the recently enacted Act 44 that regulate Pension Consultant requirements. This includes the selection process for Investment Advisors and Actuaries. The process now requires bidding procedures. The Finance Committee had been looking into Investment Advisors and was getting ready to do it as a professional service. There was some discussion about what is required and Mrs. Lieberman said that our consultants are researching it.

Mrs. Lieberman reminded the Supervisors that they will need to fill the vacancy on the Planning Commission. Mr. Palmer and Mr. Zucker said that they would interview the applicants. The Board suggested that previous applicants be asked if they still wished to be considered.

Mrs. Lieberman noted that Joe Bagley had been negotiating a new lease for the telecommunication tower and had made a recommendation which had been passed on to

the Supervisors. The Supervisors agreed and Mrs. Lieberman will place it on the next public agenda for action by the Board.

The Supervisors then left for the public meeting.

The Work Session was reconvened at 8:10 PM. Dave Cavanaugh joined the meeting.

The Supervisors then discussed one legal matter, Wings Field.

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At approximately 9:35 PM, the Work Session was adjourned.

Phyllis C. Lieberman
Whitpain Township Manager

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The second monthly meeting of the Whitpain Township Board of Supervisors was held Wednesday, May 19, 2010 at the Whitpain Township Building, 960 Wentz Road, Blue Bell, PA. Supervisors Joseph J. Palmer, Brian W. Young, Adam D. Zucker, and Frederick R. Conner, Jr. were present. Township Manager, Phyllis C. Lieberman, Township Engineer/Assistant Township Manager Roman M. Pronczak, Finance Director John Marcarelli, Police Chief Mark A. Smith, Public Works Director Ronald J. Cione, and Recording Secretary Michele Alifano were also present. Supervisor Anthony F. Greco, Township Solicitor James J. Garrity, Code Enforcement Officer Michael E. McAndrew, Park and Recreation Director Kurt W. Baker, and Fire Marshal David M. Camarda were absent. There were two members of the public in attendance.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the meeting was called to order by Chairman Palmer at 8 p.m.

An announcement was made that the Government Access Channel for Whitpain Township is now functional, and may be accessed at Channel 30 on Verizon.

A motion was made by Mr. Zucker, duly seconded by Mr. Young to declare Monday, June 14, 2010 as Military and Armed Forces Appreciation Day in Whitpain Township. In appreciation for the services provided by these fine men and women, Meadowlands Country Club will be inviting local service people to be their guests to use their facilities for the day.

A motion was made by Mr. Conner, duly seconded by Mr. Zucker to approve the minutes of the May 4, 2010 Supervisors' meeting. 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 approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of April, 2010. Chairman Palmer called for any discussion. There being none, the motion unanimously passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Young, duly seconded by Mr. Conner to waive the requirement of preparing a land development plan for a 1,476 square foot bar addition for which a conditional use application was previously approved, for Hansen Properties, Inc. This addition would be constructed on the southwestern end of the large barn at Normandy Farm, located at 1401 Morris Road. Chairman Palmer called for any discussion. There being none, the motion unanimously passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Conner, duly seconded by Mr. Zucker to authorize the Chairman and Secretary to sign on behalf of the Township a Pillar Agreement with George D. and Patricia G. Carson, owners of 902 Deerpath Road. This agreement will permit the installation of a Belgian block driveway apron within the right-of-way of Deerpath Road, on the condition that the apron will be removed if any future road

widening, repair or excavation is necessary. Chairman Palmer called for any discussion. There being none, the motion unanimously passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Young, duly seconded by Mr. Zucker, and unanimously passed to table proposed Ordinance #4-229, an Ordinance amending Chapter 160 of The Code of The Township of Whitpain (also known as The Zoning Ordinance of Whitpain Township), for the purposes of amending Article XXVI, Signs, to provide new subsections §160-189.O and §160-189.B. (1) and repealing all Ordinances or portions of Ordinances inconsistent therewith. This amendment would regulate LED signs. Chairman Palmer explained that following some discussion in the pre-meeting, it was decided not to proceed with the advertisement of the Ordinance at this time.

The Board of Supervisors took no action regarding the following applications to the Zoning Hearing Board:

NO: 1861-10: Application filed by Jeffrey Bydalek, as owner of the property located at 1582 Sylvan Drive, Blue Bell, PA, 19422 for variances from the terms of Article VII, Section 160-34 and Article XXVIII, Section 160-203 to allow a 20' x 30' garage addition to the side of the house reducing the minimum required side yard from 25' to 15' and reducing the minimum required aggregate side yard from 60' to 40' at the subject property. The zoning classification of the subject property is "R-2" Residence District.

NO: 1862-10: Application filed by Donald M. & Nancy N. Ball, as owners of the property located at 467 Kurt Drive, Blue Bell, PA, 19422 for variances from the terms of Article V, Section 160-19 and Article XXVIII, Section 160-204 to allow an 8' x 16' addition to the rear of the house reducing the minimum required rear yard from 75' to 67' at the subject property. The zoning classification of the subject property is "R-1" Residence District.

NO: 1863-10: Application filed by John K. & Margaret G. Ostrander, II, as owners of the property located at 961 Stony Brook Drive, Blue Bell, PA, 19422 for variances for the following relief to construct an L-Shaped Deck to the side and rear of the existing house on the subject property:

1. Variances from the terms of Article V, Section 160-17 and Article XXVIII, Section 160-203 to reduce the minimum required side yard from 45' to 34'.
2. Variances from the terms of Article V, 160-19 and Article XXVIII Section 160-204 to reduce the minimum required rear yard from 75' to 32.9'.

The zoning classification of the subject property is "R-1" Residence District.

NO: 1864-10: Application filed by Rajendra & Swapna Padhye, as owners of the property located at 690 Wyndrise Drive, Blue Bell, PA, 19422 for variances from the terms of Article V, Section 160-17 and Article XXVIII, Section 160-203 to allow an 18' x 42' one-story addition to the side of the house reducing the minimum required side yard

from 45' to 32' at the subject property. The zoning classification of the subject property is "R-1" Residence District.

At this time, Mr. Young called for any old or new business for discussion from the Board. There was none. He then called for any old or new business discussions from the audience. There was none. There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m. upon motion by Mr. Young.

Respectfully submitted,

Anthony F. Greco
Secretary