

**WORCESTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS BUSINESS MEETING
WORCESTER TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY HALL
FAIRVIEW VILLAGE, WORCESTER, PA
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15, 2018 – 7:30 PM**

CALL TO ORDER by Chair DeLello at 7:52 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ATTENDANCE

PRESENT: RICK DELELLO [X]
SUSAN CAUGHLAN [X]
STEVE QUIGLEY [X]

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- Tommy Ryan, Township Manager, announced that following the July 18 Business Meeting the Board of Supervisors met in Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter, in specific a performance review of a Township employee. Mr. Ryan announced that following this evening's Business Meeting the Board of Supervisors will meet in Executive Session to discuss a matter of real estate, in specific a possible lease of property to a utility, and a personnel matter, in specific a benefit provided by the Township. No decisions on these matters are expected to be made at this evening's Business Meeting.
- Chair DeLello announced the televising of public meetings will be added to this evening's agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Wini Hayes, Worcester, commented on the televising of public meetings, Center Point Village Zoning Ordinance planning efforts to date, permitted residential density in Center Point Village, utilization of transfer development rights, and architectural controls for development in Center Point Village.
- Bob Andorn, Worcester, commented on public comment procedures, the televising of public meetings, and Center Point Village Zoning Ordinance planning efforts to date.
- Maeve Vogan, Worcester, commented Center Point Village Zoning Ordinance planning efforts to date, and on the televising of public meetings.
- Rob Hayes, Worcester, commented on the utilization of transfer development rights, Center Point Village Zoning Ordinance planning efforts to date, revisions to the proposed Center Point Village Zoning Ordinance. Supervisor Caughlan commented on Center Point Village Zoning Ordinance planning efforts.

- Jim Mollick, Worcester, commented on comments made by a Planning Commission member regarding potential financial gains to a Center Point Village property owner, utilization of transfer development rights, Supervisor Caughlan’s legal work, the permitted residential density noted in the *Center Point Village Vision Plan*, school students generated by housing type, and the townhomes approved at the Reserve at Center Square development.
- Karen Arena, Worcester, commented on Supervisor Caughlan’s knowledge of stormwater concerns at her property, and on Township permitting procedures.

OFFICIAL ACTION ITEMS

- a) Consent Agenda – Chair DeLello asked if any Member wished to remove an item from the consent agenda. There were no requests to remove an item from the consent agenda.

Supervisor Caughlan made a motion to approve a consent agenda that includes (a) the Treasurer’s Report and other Monthly Reports for July 2018, (b) bill payment for July 2018 in the amount of \$198,151.69; (c) the July 18, 2018 Work Session minutes; and, (d) the July 18, 2018 Business Meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Quigley.

Dr. Mollick commented on the Township Solicitor invoice, and on past legal expenses.

By unanimous vote the Board adopted the motion to approve.

- b) Resolution 2018-31 – Mr. Ryan provided an overview of a proposed two-lot subdivision at Hollow Road. Joe Nolan, Township Engineer, noted there were no outstanding issues for this application.

Supervisor Caughlan made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-31, to grant Preliminary/Final Plan approval for Adesso, a two-lot subdivision at Hollow Road. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Quigley.

There was no public comment.

By unanimous vote the Board adopted the motion to approve.

- c) Resolution 2018-32 – Mr. Ryan provided an overview of a proposed plan of lot consolidation at Conestoga Lane. Mr. Nolan noted there were no outstanding issues for this application.

Supervisor Caughlan made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-32, to grant Preliminary/Final Plan approval for Gambone, a plan of lot consolidation at Conestoga Lane. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Quigley.

There was no public comment.

By unanimous vote the Board adopted the motion to approve.

- d) televising public meetings – Supervisor Caughlan commented on the manner of televising public meetings.

Chair DeLello commented on the posting of video to various platforms.

Supervisor Caughlan commented on personnel and equipment requirements. Chair DeLello commented on the potential use of equipment owned by the Methacton School District.

Supervisor Quigley commented on the manner of televising public meetings.

Supervisor Caughlan commented on the potential airing of personal attacks.

Supervisor Quigley commented on the manner by which another municipality's televises its public meetings.

Ms. Vogan commented on the televising of public meetings, options available to televise public meetings, and public participation at public meetings. Mr. Andorn commented on next steps to be taken in the review of televising of public meetings. Dr. Mollick commented on the utilization of his video equipment to televise public meetings.

Mr. Ryan will collect information, and submit this to the Members for review at the September 19 Work Session.

- e) Public Hearing – At 8:48 pm Chair DeLello opened a Public Hearing to consider Ordinance 2018-278, to amend stormwater regulations.

Bob Brant, Township Solicitor, noted the ordinance had been posted to the Township website and in the lobby of the Township Building on June 1, submitted to the *Times Herald*, Montgomery County Planning Commission and Montgomery County Law Library on June 4, submitted to the Worcester Township Planning Commission on June 22, and advertised in the *Times Herald* on July 27 and August 3.

Mr. Brant noted the Board had considered the same ordinance at two Public Hearings in past months, taking no action on the ordinance on those occasions.

Mr. Nolan provided an overview of ordinance provisions and the MS4 permitting process.

Chair DeLello commented on stormwater planning and improvement thresholds. Mr. Nolan noted he and staff worked to make the ordinance requirements as user-friendly as permitted by Federal and State law.

Supervisor Quigley commented on Federal and State stormwater mandates, and on the mandates' impact to private property owners.

Supervisor Caughlan commented on off-site stormwater impacts.

Chair DeLello commented on the Township not considering the ordinance. Mr. Nolan commented on this Federal and State mandate, and on the MS4 permitting process.

Mr. Nolan commented on the modeling efforts of the Skippack Creek Watershed Alliance, and on the resulting decrease to municipal wasteload allocations. Mr. Nolan commented on estimated improvement costs to meet the total wasteload allocation for the Skippack Creek Watershed Alliance municipalities.

Dr. Mollick commented on a stormwater concern at private property on Bethel Road.

Mr. Nolan noted the ordinance deletes stormwater requirements in the Subdivision chapter of the Township Code, and creates a “stand-alone” Stormwater chapter in the Township Code.

Mr. Nolan noted municipal property is subject to the proposed stormwater regulations.

Chair DeLello called for additional public comment, and there was none.

The Public Hearing was closed at 9:13 pm.

- f) Ordinance 2018-278 – Supervisor Quigley made a motion to table consideration of Ordinance 2018-278. There was no second to the motion.

Supervisor Caughlan made a motion to approve Ordinance 2018-278, to amend stormwater regulations. The motion was seconded by Chair DeLello.

There was no public comment.

The motion was approved by a 2-1 vote, with Supervisor Quigley voting no.

- g) Resolution 2018-33 – Mr. Ryan provided an overview of the 2017 update to the Montgomery County Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Supervisor Caughlan commented on eligibility for Federal and State disaster relief funds. Supervisor Quigley commented on municipal approvals for Federal and State disaster relief funds.

Supervisor Caughlan made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-33, to approve the 2017 update to the Montgomery County Hazard Mitigation Plan. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Quigley.

There was no public comment.

By unanimous vote the Board adopted the motion to approve.

- h) Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) – Mr. Ryan provided a brief overview of the 2019 MMO contributions to the defined-benefit and defined-contribution pension plans.

Supervisor Caughlan commented on pension costs for uniform and non-uniform personnel.

Chair DeLello commented on the contribution amounts for the defined-benefit and defined-contribution pension plans.

Supervisor Caughlan made a motion to approve the 2019 MMO contributions to the Township's defined-benefit and defined-contribution pension plans. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Quigley.

There was no public comment.

By unanimous vote the Board adopted the motion to approve.

OTHER BUSINESS

- Supervisor Caughlan commented on roadway surface treatments.
- Supervisor Quigley commented on ponding conditions along State-owned roadways.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Dr. Mollick commented on a stormwater concern at private property on Bethel Road.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business brought before the Board, Chair DeLello adjourned the Business Meeting at 9:36 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:

Tommy Ryan
Township Manager