

EAST COCALICO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
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The advertised, regularly scheduled meeting of the East Cocalico Township Board of Supervisors was held at 100 Hill Rd., Denver, PA 17517 in the Township Building Meeting Room.

ATTENDEES:

Supervisors: Chairman Douglas Mackley, Vice Chairman Alan Fry, and Secretary Noelle Fortna

Manager Karen Koncle

Fire Chiefs: Harvey Achey, Reamstown; Todd Muiznieks, Smokestown; Chad Weaver, Stevens, Fireman Harry Fasig, and Ambulance Director Shirley Achey

Visitors: Bob Roggenburg; Mark Stanley, Esquire, Representing the Benderson Rezoning Petitions

Reporter: Reading News Reporter Val Lasic

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Mackley called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG: Chairman Mackley asked all to rise and recite the Pledge to the Flag.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was no public comment at this time.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

MOTION: Noelle Fortna made a motion to approve the May 03, 2006, 7:00 p.m. Special Meeting Minutes, and Alan Fry seconded. Douglas Mackley asked for questions. There being no questions, the Board unanimously approved the minutes as written for the Special Meeting.

MOTION: Noelle Fortna made a motion to approve the May 03, 2006, 7:40 p.m. Regular Board Meeting and Alan Fry seconded. Douglas Mackley asked for questions. Board Members discussed the Township Transportation Engineer analysis of the Denver Road Bridge with regard to the bridge plans and the bridge standards. There were no other questions. The Board approved the minutes as written for the regular meeting held on May 03, 2006.

MOTION: Noelle Fortna made a motion to approve the April 20, 2006 Board of Supervisors Workshop Meeting and Alan Fry seconded. Douglas Mackley asked for questions. There being none, the Board approved the minutes as written.

LIST OF BILLS: The list of bills was reviewed noting the amount in General Fund – \$150,011.40, State Fund - \$14,055.39, Light Fund - \$10,380.21, and Capital Reserve Fund - \$410.25.

MOTION: Noelle Fortna made a motion to approve the List of Bills for payment and Alan Fry seconded. Douglas Mackley asked for questions. There being none, the Board unanimously approved the Bills List for payment as presented.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Elwood Schwartz noted the report distributed to the Board detailing the revenues received from Hydrant, Light, and General Fund taxes, and the quarterly Cable Franchise Fee, and noted the good rate that was negotiated for our CD's. Mr. Schwartz informed the Board he will attend the Pennsylvania Economy League's meeting in York on 05/23/06 for discussions on pensions and health care costs in PA. Mr. Schwartz noted last week he attended the Cocalico Consortium Meeting and the program was on health care cost containment. The Treasurer ended his report noting that all bills have been paid and all accounts reconciled.

The Supervisors expressed appreciation for the Treasurer's efforts.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM STATE FUND SAVINGS ACCOUNT TO STATE FUND CHECKING ACCOUNT - \$14,005.39:

MOTION: Douglas Mackley made the motion to transfer \$14,005.39 from State Fund Savings Account to State Fund Checking Account to pay the bills. Noelle Fortna seconded. Mr. Mackley asked if there were any questions. There being none, the Supervisors unanimously approved the transfer.

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-05: THE COMMONWEALTH OF PA HAS DESIGNATED MAY 18, 2006 AS "EMS SERVICES DAY" TO ACKNOWLEDGE AND RECOGNIZE THE AMBULANCE SERVICES, FIRE DEPARTMENTS AND POLICE DEPARTMENTS WHO PROVIDE AND SUPPORT EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES IN THIS COMMONWEALTH, AND PARTICULARLY EAST COCALICO TOWNSHIP AND THE SURROUNDING AREA. THE SUPERVISORS OF EAST COCALICO TOWNSHIP RECOGNIZE THIS VALUABLE SERVICE AND THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE EMS COMMUNITY.

MOTION: Alan Fry made the motion to adopt Resolution No. 2006-05 and seconded by Noelle Fortna. Mr. Mackley asked for questions. There being none, the Supervisors unanimously adopted and executed Resolution No. 2006-05. The Supervisors expressed their collective appreciation to the EMS Service Personnel.

ANNUAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO EMERGENCY SERVICES, AND ADAMSTOWN LIBRARY:

Douglas Mackley presented the annual East Cocalico Township Contributions to: Reamstown Fire Company and Reamstown Ambulance to Fire Chief Harvey Achey, (Shirley Achey, Director of Reamstown Ambulance, had to leave for an ambulance call); Smokestown Fire Company to Fire Chief Todd Muiznieks; Stevens Fire Company to Chad Weaver, Fire Chief; and to Elwood Schwartz, Trustee of the Adamstown Library. The Supervisors noted their appreciation for the valuable community service.

LEONARD MARTIN WAIVER REQUEST FOR SETBACK REQUIREMENT FOR SEPTIC SYSTEM:

Douglas Mackley explained that the Township Sewage Enforcement Officer (SEO) has investigated a failing on-lot septic system at the Leonard Martin property located at 230 E. Church St., Stevens, PA. It was noted that the property

has limiting constraints to replace the system: a drainage swale on the north side of the property, steeper slopes to the rear of the property, with slope not in the right direction rendering a small portion not usable for a sewage system, and the old system is as close to the well as the new system will be. Based on these limitations, the SEO recommends the Board grant approval to allow the new system to have a setback be at a minimum of 73 ft. from sewer to well so the sewage system can be located on a usable part of the property.

MOTION: Douglas Mackley made a motion to grant the waiver request to regulations permitting the new sewage system to have a minimum setback of 73 ft. for the sewer to the well per the SEO's recommendation dated 04/25/06. Noelle Fortna seconded the motion. Mr. Mackley asked for questions. There being no questions, the Supervisors voted unanimously to approve the waiver request.

MOTION FOR REFERRING BENDERSON REZONING PETITIONS TO TOWNSHIP AND COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSIONS:

Noelle Fortna made a motion, seconded by Alan Fry, to refer the Benderson Rezoning Petitions to the Township and County Planning Commissions for review and comment to the Board of Supervisors.

ROY WISE (BOWMANVILLE ASSOCIATES WEST) ESCROW RELEASE:

Becker Engineer, Township Land Planning Engineer, has reviewed the request for escrow reduction, and recommends a motion to acknowledge the prior termination of the 18 month maintenance period and to authorize the complete release of the remaining 15% Maintenance Security associated with the Bowmansville Associates West project.

MOTION: Noelle Fortna made the motion and Alan Fry seconded. Mr. Mackley asked if there were any questions. There being none, the Supervisors unanimously approved the motion as recommended by Becker Engineering.

NPDES MS4 PERMIT YEAR THREE ANNUAL REPORT:

MOTION: Noelle Fortna made a motion to authorize the Township Manager to sign the MS4 "Permit Year Three Annual Report" so Becker Engineering can submit the appropriate information to DEP by the June 09, 2006 deadline. Alan Fry seconded the motion. Douglas Mackley asked if there were any questions. There being none, the Supervisors voted unanimously to approve the motion.

TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER: The Manager noted that the Transportation Engineer is completing the Denver Road Bridge Weight Restriction Analysis and will be forwarding the information to the Board upon completion. The Engineer will also be updating you on the Stone Hill Road Project, the Col. Howard Blvd./Pepperidge Farm Blvd. Project, the drafting of revisions to the Driveway and Street Opening Permit Ordinance, and the updating of the Traffic Signal Construction Specifications.

SOLICITOR:

RENTAL EQUIPMENT: The Solicitor confirms the rental of a temporary traffic signal must be bid.

CODIFICATION: The Solicitor and the Committee have completed their review of the final draft of the Codification of Township Ordinances, and the Solicitor recommends the Supervisors authorize the advertisement of the Ordinance to Codify.

MOTION: Douglas Mackley made the motion and Noelle Fortna seconded. Douglas Mackley asked for questions. There being none, the Supervisors voted unanimously to authorize the Solicitor to advertise the Ordinance to Codify the Township Ordinances.

POLICE DEPARTMENT: Douglas Mackley noted the Supervisors have received the Police Chief's monthly report and that the Board will be meeting with the Chief tomorrow evening. It was noted the list of mal-functioning street lights reported by the PD was forwarded to PPL for repairs.

Bob Roggenburg inquired who monitors the street lights. Douglas Mackley noted the Police Department does monitoring, as well as Supervisors. Mr. Roggenburg noted he counted 7 lights out from Adamstown line to Hill Rd. Mr. Mackley noted there are 10 listed on the PD Report and PPL has been notified.

ZONING OFFICER: Noelle Fortna inquired about receiving a draft ordinance concerning barking dogs. It was noted the sample legislation will be ready for the June Workshop discussions with the Zoning Officer.

ROADMASTER: Assistant Roadmaster Noelle Fortna noted the Highway Department Staff Meeting will be held tomorrow at 9:30am. The Supervisors inquired about Dale Witmer and noted their well wishes for a speedy recovery.

SUPERVISORS:

Noelle Fortna noted the receipt of a PSU Local Water Resourced Questionnaire. The Manager will see that the ECTA gets the survey for completion.

DCNR Workshop on Grant Application Process: Noelle Fortna will attend on 05/25/06. Alan Fry noted he had nothing further for tonight.

Douglas Mackley informed Bob Roggenburg that ECT is still awaiting a letter from DEP with the written determination about the wetland delineation in the small area of Quail Hollow. Official notification has not yet been received.

Douglas Mackley noted Staff is set with pool preparations.

Recycling area for woody waste was noted. This matter is under study by the Recycling Coordinator and her Committee. A recommendation will be forthcoming.

Recycling Coordinator and Assistant Coordinator provided a detailed report to the Supervisors from the recently attended County Solid Waste Management Authority Meeting. Also, Recycling Coordinator Arlene Crouse forwarded a draft letter to the Board for review. This is a letter of appreciation to businesses for their recycling efforts in the Township, which provides a substantial allocation from the State.

TOWNSHIP MANAGER:

LCPC PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN FOR TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING information was received and is available for public participation.

LCPC DRAFT 2007-2010 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) AND THE AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY REPORT was received and is available for public awareness.

PPL ELECTRIC UTILITIES CORPORATION NOTIFICATION OF RECONSTRUCTION OF THE SOUTH AKRON-BERKS 230Kv TRANSMISSION LINE information was received and is being circulated. This information is also available for public awareness.

OLD HOMESTEAD PARK PROJECT ENGINEERING CONTRACT AGREEMENT is under review by the Engineer and Solicitor.

REQUEST LETTER OF SUPPORT OF ECTA WATER SOURCING is in draft form. The Supervisors will review and advise.

ADJOURN: there being no other business to come before the Board and on a motion by Noelle Fortna, seconded by Alan Fry, the Board unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Noelle B. Fortna, Secretary