

**WEST PIKELAND TOWNSHIP  
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CHESTER SPRINGS, PA 19425**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGULAR SESSION**

**May 7, 2007**

The Board of Supervisors of West Pikeland Township met on May 7, 2007 at the Township Meeting Room. Those in attendance were Harold Hallman III, Chairman; Linda Glaum, Vice Chairman; William Cracas, Supervisor; Jeri L. Diesinger, P.G., Township Manager; Shane Clark, Chief of Police; Harry Miller, Director of Facilities, and Joan Matthews, Township Secretary.

**CALL TO ORDER – 5:30 P.M.**

**I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**II. BOARD RECOGNITION** – Michael A. Vigilante – The Board of Supervisors presented a Certificate of Appreciation and acknowledged their appreciation to Michael Anthony Vigilante on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout on April 17, 2007. Michael was recognized for his Eagle Scout project of building and staining for the Township eight wooden picnic tables, one being handicap accessible.

**III. EXECUTIVE SESSIONS** – The Supervisors had no Executive Sessions to report.

**IV. MEETING MINUTE APPROVAL**

**A. Meeting Minutes of April 2, 2007** – Mr. Cracas made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 2, 2007 Regular Session. Mrs. Glaum seconded the motion. After no further discussion, the motion was carried with all voting Aye.

**B. Meeting Minutes of April 25, 2007** – Mr. Cracas made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 25, 2007 Regular Session. Mrs. Glaum seconded the motion. Mr. Hallman III wished it noted that he was not notified of the change of the meeting date and therefore was not in attendance. After no further discussion, the motion was carried with all voting Aye.

**V. PERSONS WISHING TO BE HEARD**

**A. Lilla Smith** – Mrs. Smith stated that political signs posted on the Elmer White property were removed. Chief Clark stated that anyone caught removing political signs will be cited and prosecuted. Chief Clark further noted that signs could not be attached to street signs and utility poles.

**B. Jim Rowan** – Mr. Rowan stated that persons attending LYA games at Pine Creek Park are using air horns and asked if such a use is in violation of park rules. Mrs. Diesinger advised that she had already contacted Dorothy Foster to inform her of the

use of the horns and that this is a nuisance and is prohibited. Mrs. Diesinger also noted that she would also inquire into the use of the Park by LYA teams on Fridays.

**VI. BILLS SUBMITTED** - Mr. Cracas made a motion to approve the bills submitted. Mr. Hallman III seconded the motion. After no further discussion, the motion was carried with all voting Aye.

**VII. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Cultural Center**

1. *Municipal Parking Lot* – The Zoning Hearing Board met on May 2, 2007 for the parking lot hearing. The hearing will remain open until May 18, 2007 when briefs from both the Township and citizen group attorneys will be submitted. The Zoning Hearing Board will then close the hearing and present their decision after a final review.

**B. Land Development**

**C. General Government**

1. *Chester Springs Library* – Mr. Cracas made a motion to approve the receipt of the remaining donation for \$10,000. To the Chester Springs Library. Mrs. Glaum seconded the motion. After no further discussion, the motion was carried with all voting Aye.

**D. Motion to Accept Old Business**- Mr. Cracas made a motion to approve the items of Old Business. Mrs. Glaum seconded the motion. After no further discussion, the motion was carried with all voting Aye.

**VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Cultural Center –**

1. *Municipal Building Dedication* – Open House – Mr. Hallman III wished to acknowledge the Board's appreciation to the staff, committee members, performers and sponsors who prepared for the recent Dedication and Open House held on May 6, 2007. Mr. Cracas thanked Mrs. Diesinger and welcomed her again as the new Township Manager.
2. *Theatre and Meeting Room* – Mr. Cracas made a motion to approve the use of the Theatre and meeting room on June 10, 2007 from 1 to 4 p.m. to Noreen Vigilante for an Eagle Scout ceremony and luncheon. The rental fee shall be \$100.00. Mrs. Glaum seconded the motion. After no further discussion, the motion was carried with all voting Aye.
3. *Cultural Interchanges* – Karen Harlin of Cultural Interchanges presented a proposal to use the Black Box Theatre for performing art programs that would include fund raising and profit sharing projects that would benefit the program and Township. Mr. Cracas requested that Ms. Harlin meet with Mrs. Diesinger to formulate an agreeable proposal for consideration by the Board at the May 21, 2007 session. Mr. Hallman III wished Mrs. Diesinger to review the strategic plan that was formulated for the theatre.

4. *Performing Arts Grant* – Mr. Cracas made a motion to authorize the Township Manager to prepare bid documents and advertise for theatre seats and risers. Mrs. Glaum seconded the motion. After no further discussion, the motion was carried with all voting Aye.

**B. Land Development - Open Space Preservation Bond**- Ann Orth, President of the West Pikeland Township Land Trust requested that the Board of Supervisors consider to enact an Ordinance that would allow an Open Space Preservation Bond Referendum asking for the voters of the Township to consider whether they would agree to an additional earned income tax to be used to purchase and/or protect land for open space purposes. Ms. Orth presented a draft Ordinance. Mr. Cracas made a motion to move the draft Ordinance by the Township Land Trust and its consultants forward, authorizing a referendum to Township voters in November on the question of imposing an earned income tax increment for open space conservation to fund the easement and/or purchase of open space land and farmland and interests therein in West Pikeland, to the solicitor for review and that, subject to such review, the Ordinance thereafter be advertised for hearing and adoption at the June 4 regular meeting". Seconded by Mrs. Glaum. All voted Aye.

**C. General Government**

1. *Award of DCED grant for Horseshoe Trail flood remediation* – Mrs. Diesinger noted that the Township was granted \$10,000. from the Department of Community and Economic Development to study the Horseshoe Trail flooding. Mrs. Diesinger expressed thanks to Mrs. Matthews for writing and submitting the grant.
2. *Special Events Permit* – Mr. Cracas made a motion to extend a Special Event Permit for use of the Washington Building to Historic Yellow Springs Inc. to May 20, 2007. Mrs. Glaum seconded the motion. After no further discussion, the motion was carried with all voting Aye.
3. *Ethics Seminar* – Mr. Cracas made a motion to authorize the payment of \$575.00 to reserve registration at the PSATS presentation of the Pennsylvania Leadership Institute lecture on Wednesday, June 13, 2007 in Lehigh Valley. Mrs. Glaum seconded the motion. The Board of Supervisors, Township Manager, Chief of Police, Sergeant, and Township Secretary will attend. After no further discussion, the motion was carried with all voting Aye.

**D. Motion to accept New Business** – Mr. Cracas made a motion to approve the items of New Business. Mrs. Glaum seconded the motion. After no further discussion, the motion was carried with all voting Aye.

**ADJOURNMENT**- Mr. Cracas made a motion to adjourn at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joan C. Matthews, Township Secretary