



West Pikeland Township
1645 Art School Road
Chester Springs, Pennsylvania
Board of Supervisors
August 1, 2022

ATTENDING BOARD OF SUPERVISORS	ATTENDING TOWNSHIP PERSONNEL
Carin Mifsud, Chair	Barbara Kelley, Township Manager
Noreen Vigilante, Vice Chair [via phone]	Melissa Geoghegan, Township Secretary
Harold Hallman III, Supervisor	Shane Clark, Chief of Police
Richard Bright, Supervisor	
Steve Costa, Supervisor	

Ms. Mifsud called the meeting to order on August 1, 2022, at 7:30 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Costa motioned to approve the agenda with the following changes: under New Business add: Zoning Ordinance 2022-01, Police Contract, and MECO Constructors. The motion was seconded by Dr. Bright and unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Ms. Mifsud requested of the Board any corrections to the Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes from July 18, 2022. Ms. Mifsud motioned to approve the minutes with a correction to Executive Session to read July 14, 2022. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hallman and unanimously approved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

REPORTS

Environmental Advisory Council, Bryan Maher: Mr. Maher requested approval to pursue the purchase of a sign in Pine Creek Park near the recent tree plantings explaining streamside buffers. The approximate cost will be between \$1,000 and \$2,000 and EAC will work with Parks and Recreation to see if cost sharing is an option. The Board approved the concept of the sign and will vote on purchase approval at a later meeting.

Chester Springs Library, Nancy Niggel: YTD total circulation is up 6%, door count is up 43.7% YTD and the library hosted 27.6% more programs in June compared with last June. The library has achieved Silver Star Library status. 419 people are participating in Summer Reading. Yoga in the Park is scheduled for this fall at Pine Creek Park. Mr. Costa thanked the library for it's Seed Connection program.

PUBLIC COMMENT

John Matthews, Township Resident: Mr. Matthews thanked township police for assisting with traffic at Miss Betty's Camp in Pickering Grove Park. He noted that it is a beautiful park and Miss Betty's Camp has held successful camps for children over many years. He also thanked the township for allowing the camp to continue to use the park.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Township Storage Facility: Bob Linn Architects volunteered to get general estimates for the storage facility before the next board meeting.

Zoning Ordinance Amendment Hearing: Ms. Mifsud opened the hearing for the proposed Ordinance No. 2022-01, an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance of the Township of West Pikeland Township, Chester County, Pennsylvania amending the township Zoning Ordinance 2005-01 provisions concerning Section 603: Area and Bulk Regulations. There was no public comment.

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance 2022-01: Mr. Costa motioned to discuss Ordinance 2022-01. The motion was seconded by Dr. Bright and unanimously approved. Mr. Costa noted that the amendment is adding “except as to Municipal Use” to amend Section 603: Area and Bulk Regulations of Ordinance 2005-01. Dr. Bright had concerns that the Phoenixville Regional Planning Committee stated this amendment is not consistent with regional planning. He was also concerned that this ordinance amendment affected all Village Preservation Districts. Township Manager Barbara Kelley stated that the township solicitor informed her that this ordinance is not inconsistent with our recent proposal to the region’s planning or with regional impact by virtue of the proposed amendment. Ms. Mifsud motioned to adopt Ordinance 2022-01. The motion was seconded by Dr. Bright. Voting aye were Ms. Mifsud, Ms. Vigilante, Mr. Hallman, and Mr. Costa. Dr. Bright voted nay. The motion was approved.

Police Contract: Mr. Costa motioned to approve the Police Contract for the term January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2024. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hallman and unanimously approved.

MECO Constructors: The Board directed Ms. Kelley to consult with the township solicitor to send a letter to MECO Constructors informing the contractor that they are not to solicit for additional work from township residents while paving township roads nor are they to perform additional paving for township residents while paving township roads. Mr. Costa directed Ms. Kelley to begin the Road Bid process earlier in the year in the future.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next Board of Supervisors meetings are scheduled for Monday, August 15, 2022 at 7:30 PM and Tuesday, September 6, 2022, at 7:30 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Costa motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 PM. The motion was seconded by Dr. Bright and unanimously approved.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:06 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Geoghegan

West Pikeland Township Secretary