

**WILLISTOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
**May 24, 2021 AT 7:00 pm via Zoom**

The Regular Meeting of the Willistown Township Board of Supervisors came to order at 7:00 pm. Supervisors William R. Shoemaker and Robert T. Lange were present. Also present were Township Manager Sally Slook, Det. Sgt. Steve Jones, Finance Director Martin McKenzie, Director of Planning and Zoning Robert Smiley, Assistant to the Township Manager Jennifer Jacobs, and Solicitor Bill Christman.

Supervisor Shoemaker led a moment of silence for military personnel, first responders, and all front-line workers in the current pandemic.

### **Announcements**

Ms. Slook announced an error made at the April 26, 2021 meeting regarding an award to TS Morris Landscaping for the 2021/2025 Grounds Maintenance Contract. The Township made a motion to pass the contract for a total of \$73,575 per year. The actual number \$39,795 per year. With the error being, the sewer property mowing was listed at \$39,795. The correct number is \$8,975 per year. Supervisor Shoemaker moved to approve the 2021/2025 Grounds Maintenance Contract in the amount of \$39,795 per year. Supervisor Lange seconded. Julie Frissora asked which sewer properties were mowed under this contract. Ms. Slook explained five pump stations as well as around the spray fields and lagoon at Penns Preserve. There were no further comments from the Board or the public, and the motion carried 2-0.

### **New Business**

**Minutes** – Supervisor Shoemaker moved to approve the minutes of the meeting of May 10, 2021. Supervisor Lange seconded the motion. There were no comments from the Board or the public, and the motion carried 2-0.

**Expenditures** - Supervisor Lange moved to approve the list of expenditures and interfund transfers dated May 21, 2021. Supervisor Shoemaker seconded the motion. There were no comments from the Board or the public, and the motion carried 2-0.

**Police Report** – Det. Sgt. Jones reported the Department arrested a 24-year-old for drug possession as a result of a traffic stop. A resident was defrauded of \$35,000 by an online vehicle purchase, and \$6,000 was stolen from an account in Florida from a national ring that has made its way to Willistown. The Department is still investigating the theft of catalytic converters from Toyota Prius vehicles from Bryn Mawr Rehab and Penns Lane. An intensive investigation into the sexual assault of a 78-year-old in the hospital was determined to be unfounded. A 30-year-old counselor at the Devereux Center was arrested for assaulting a 13-year-old child. This is the third arrest there within the last 12 months. Supervisor Shoemaker asked if there is anything Prius owners can do to protect their vehicles from theft. Det. Sgt. Jones recommends parking vehicles in well-lit, busy areas with camera protection if possible.

**Subdivision and Land Development** – Supervisor Lange moved to approve Application S-02-21, entitled “Final Minor Subdivision Plan/Lot-Line Change for David Gregory for 128 & 130 Davis Road prepared by Howell Kline Surveying, LLC, dated March 15, 2021, last revised April 16, 2021, consisting of 1 sheet, subject to the granting of waivers from Sec 123-18.B.3 & 18B.4 (conservation and improvement construction plans) and any conditions imposed by the Board of Supervisors. Supervisor Shoemaker seconded. There were no comments from the Board or the public, and the motion carried 2-0.

**Discussion of Customer Benefits Fund Committee (CBF) Recommendation**- Supervisor Shoemaker explained this Committee was set up a few months back to recommend to the Board how the proceeds from the sale of the sanitary sewer should be allocated. The Committee recommended \$5 million dollars to be deposited in CBF Fund

with \$5 million also deposited in a newly created Sewer Reserve Fund and the remaining balance, after expenses, to be placed in the Township General Fund and use determined by a newly created Sewer Advisory Board. The other plan proposed by the concerned sewer ratepayers' citizens is a direct cash payment of funds to each current sewer ratepayer of \$5500. Every sewer customer with a pump grinder system would receive an additional \$2500. Supervisor Shoemaker announced that while the Board has received many written comments, the Board would open the meeting to hear comments from citizens until 9:30 pm.

The citizens who commented are listed below. The majority of the commenters favored the direct cash payment because the ratepayers have built the sewer system. They also asked the Township to continue managing the system and pull out off or hold off on the sale so the Township can observe how Aqua manages other municipal systems they have purchased over the next several years.

John McGowan, 149 Grubb Road  
Frank Mayer, 126 Richmond Road  
Charles Lyddane, 10 Woodford Lane  
Carol Meerschaert, 133 Spruce Lane  
Jerry Childers, 8 Colonial Way  
Harry Ashjean, 20 Lloyd Avenue  
Kevin Rice, 6 Colonial Way  
Robert Smith, 13 Devon Road  
Karen Eriksen, 110 Gable Road  
Richard McDonnell, 7 Greenstone Way  
Mary Arranz, 16 Chetwynd Road  
Henry Yordan, 152 Grubb Road  
Joseph Tabella, 9 Woodford Lane  
William Gordon, 42 Meadow View Lane  
Vincent McAneney, 25 Chetwynd Road  
Tatiana Miller, 21 Devon Road  
Brian Evarts, 224 Paoli Pike  
Keith Greathouse, 12 Fox Ridge Drive  
Bill Lordan, 112 Spruce Lane  
Meredith Haab, 151 Grub Road  
Denise Muchnick, 29 Chetwynd Road  
Jackie Springman, 36 Chetwynd Road  
Dina Dinacci, 28 Wistar Road  
Marshall Salyers, 641 South Warren Avenue  
Julie Frissora, 34 Chetwynd Road  
Pamela Schafer, 129 S Cedar Hollow Road  
Louis Pettinos, 6 Applewood Road  
Stephen Madjar, 151 Grub Road  
Jake Venable, 14 Callery Way  
Kevin Rice, 6 Colonial Way  
Kim Harrigan, 1505 Weatherstone Drive

### **Citizens' Comments**

Jackie Springman, 36 Chetwynd Road, asked when the next shredding event will be. Ms. Slook replied she didn't have the date in front of her, but the recycling events are scheduled for the fall.

### **Next Meeting**

The next regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors will be on Monday, June 14, 2021, at 7:00 pm via Zoom.

**Adjournment**

Seeing no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Sincerely,



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Sally Slook, Township Manager