

WILLISTOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES
688 SUGARTOWN ROAD, MALVERN, PA
NOVEMBER 27, 2017 AT 7:00 PM

The Regular Meeting of the Willistown Township Board of Supervisors came to order at 7:00 PM. Supervisors William R. Shoemaker, George J. McHugh, IV, and Robert T. Lange were present. Also present was Township Manager David R. Burman, Chief of Police John M. Narcise and Zoning Officer Neil D. Vaughn.

Chief Narcise led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, followed by a moment of silence for our troops.

Announcements

The Board of Supervisors met in Executive Session following the meeting on November 13, 2017 to discuss legal and personnel matters.

The Board of Supervisors will convene a Special Meeting at 7:00 PM on December 11, 2017 in the cafeteria of Sugartown Elementary School to consider Ordinance Amendments concerning the keeping of animals. Additional details are available on our website and a full presentation and discussion will take place at the meeting on December 11th.

New Business

Mr. McHugh moved to approve the Minutes of the meeting held November 13, 2017. Mr. Lange seconded the motion. There were no comments from the Board or the public, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. McHugh moved to approve the list of disbursements and Interfund transfers dated November 27, 2017. Mr. Lange seconded the motion. There were no comments from the Board or the public, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. McHugh moved to approve the recording of the Procurement Card Reconciliation for October, 2017. Mr. Lange seconded the motion. There were no comments from the Board or the public, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. McHugh moved to approve Resolution 25 of 2017, prohibiting Category 4 gaming facilities in Willistown Township, pursuant to Act 42 of 2017. Mr. Lange seconded the motion. Dan Higgins of Boot Road asked for clarification regarding the ability of future Boards to rescind this Resolution. Mr. Shoemaker reported that, once rescinded, the Township would not be permitted to re-adopt the Resolution, but future Boards would not have to act if they agree with the Resolution. Jack McGinley of Second Avenue inquired as to the size of a Category 4 facility. Mr. McHugh described the size as a "casino-ette", of sorts. Barbara Handelin of Lloyd Avenue inquired about what other nearby Township are doing. Mr. Shoemaker reported his understanding is that just about all nearby Township are adopting the Resolution. Dr. Handelin also asked whether there have been any proposals for Category 4 gaming facilities in the Township. Mr. Shoemaker reported that there have

not. There were no further comments from the Board or the public, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. McHugh moved to authorize advertising the proposed budget for calendar year 2018. Mr. Lange seconded the motion. There were no comments from the Board or the public, and the motion carried unanimously.

Police Report

Chief Narcise reported on the fundraising efforts of the Police Department in which the officers donate funds to charity and, in exchange, are permitted to grow beards. Donations will be split between Unite for Her (Breast Cancer) and Mile for Marc (Lung Cancer). Chief Narcise reported that the effort has been so well-received and successful that the campaign will be extended until the end of December.

Chief Narcise updated the Board on the proposed crosswalk across Grubb Road at Third Avenue. Officer Will studied the situation and, with input from nearby residents and the Township's Traffic Engineering Consultant, recommends a reduction in the speed limit on Grubb Road. Officer Will recommends reducing the speed limit from 35 MPH to 25 MPH on Grubb Road from King Road to Devon Road, with appropriate striping and warning signage for the crosswalk at Third Avenue. Mr. McHugh moved to authorize the drafting of an Ordinance for this purpose. Mr. Lange seconded the motion. There were no comments from the Board or the public, and the motion carried unanimously.

Chief Narcise updated the Board on the proposed safety improvements for Dutton Mill Road at West Chester Pike. The chief indicated that he and Township Manager Burman had worked very hard with representatives of PennDOT's Local Transportation Assistance Program to obtain approval of PennDOT for the proposed improvements. The proposed improvements include the prohibition of left hand turns from Dutton Mill Road northbound and southbound onto West Chester Pike, and the installation of "quick curb" delineators on West Chester Pike to prevent motorists from crossing the median. Chief Narcise advised that PennDOT would permit the safety improvements, but would not pay for them. Mr. Burman reported that the proposed "quick curbs" come from a Pennsylvania COSTARS vendor with an estimated cost of \$15,000 to \$20,000, and that the proposed unbudgeted expenditure would come from the General Fund, where sufficient funding is available. Mr. Shoemaker moved to authorize the drafting of an ordinance to prohibit left hand turns from Dutton Mill Road northbound and southbound onto West Chester Pike, and to authorize the expenditure of the required funds from the General Fund for a Pennsylvania COSTARS vendor to install the safety improvements. Mr. McHugh seconded the motion. There were no further comments from the Board or the public, and the motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearings

Mr. Shoemaker introduced a hearing to consider of an Ordinance amending Chapter 123 of the Code of Ordinances of Willistown Township, being the Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance, in order to create plan expiration provisions for Final Plans. A court reporter was present and a transcript of the hearing is on file in the Township offices. Mr. Shoemaker explained the proposed Ordinance in detail. There were no public comments during the hearing. At the

conclusion of the hearing, Mr. McHugh moved to adopt the Ordinance. Mr. Lange seconded the motion. There were no comments from the Board or the public, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Shoemaker then introduced a hearing to consider approval of Conditional Use Application C-3-17, the Application of Seth Hofmann for conditional use approval pursuant to §§73-62.A(2)(a) and B(1)(a) of the Willistown Township Code in order to construct a driveway in the Riparian Zone 1 and 2 buffer area. The property consists of one parcel known as tax parcel #54-3-331, with an address of 724 Hillview Road, Malvern, PA 19355. A court reporter was present and a copy of the transcript is on file in the Township offices. The Board continued the hearing until January 22, 2018 at 7:00 PM.

Citizens' Comments

Dan Higgins of Boot Road inquired as to why the name of his street, which says East Boot Road on his deed, was change to Boot Road. Mr. Higgins wanted to know why the East was eliminated. Mr. Shoemaker advised that, to the Township's knowledge, this road has always been referred to as simply Boot Road.

Next Meeting

As special meeting will take place at Sugartown Elementary School, 611 Sugartown Road, Malvern, PA on December 11, 2017 at 7:00 PM.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors will be held on Monday, December 18, 2017 at 7:00 PM at 688 Sugartown Road.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



David R. Burman
Secretary