

WARWICK TOWNSHIP
Board of Supervisors' Public Meeting Minutes
JANUARY 19, 2010

Members Present: Judith A. Algeo, Esq., Chair
Edward P. Thompson, Vice Chairman
John W. Cox, Member

Others Present: Gail Weniger, Township Manager
Bryan M^cAdam, P.E., Township Engineer
Mary Eberle, Esq. Township Solicitor
Linda Grant, Recording Secretary

■ **CALL TO ORDER:**

The Warwick Township Board of Supervisors' January 19, 2010 public meeting, held at Warwick Township Administration Office, 1733 Township Greene, Jamison, PA., was called to order at 7:00 p.m., by Judith Algeo, Chair, who then led attendees in the pledge of allegiance.

■ **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

⇒ December 7, 2009 (exhibit)

Motion by Mr. Thompson to approve the December 7, 2009 Board of Supervisors' Public Meeting Minutes, as submitted.
Second to motion by Mr. Cox.

Chair Algeo invited comment or discussion. There being none, the vote was called.

Motion passed unanimously.

⇒ December 14, 2009 (exhibit)

Motion by Mr. Thompson to approve the December 14, 2009 Board of Supervisors' Public Meeting Minutes, as submitted.
Second to motion by Mr. Cox.

Chair Algeo invited comment or discussion. There being none, the vote was called.

Motion passed unanimously.

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⇒ January 4, 2010 (exhibit)

**Motion by Mr. Thompson to approve the January 4, 2010 Board of Supervisors' Public Reorganizational Meeting Minutes, as submitted.
Second to motion by Mr. Cox.**

Chair Algeo invited comment or discussion. There being none, the vote was called.

Motion passed unanimously.

■ **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Chair Algeo announced that the Board of Supervisors' had met in executive session prior to this evening's meeting to discuss matters of personnel and litigation.

■ **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Ms. Algeo announced that Hatboro Federal Savings has donated \$2,000 for Warwick's 2010 Egg Hunt.

■ **CITIZEN COMMENT:**

There were no Citizen Comments this evening.

■ **MANAGER'S REPORT:**

Warwick Township Employee Handbook Revision – Amendment (exhibit)

⇒ Ms. Weniger reported that she had discussed amendments regarding time off changes to be PTO (paid time off) previously with the Board, and subsequently with all non-uniformed employees, including union employees. Ms. Weniger also reported that mileage reimbursement for Township business while using a personal vehicle was previously set yearly by the Board of Supervisors. The handbook now states that mileage reimbursement will be set by Federal Standards which has been the practice for a number of years. The other changes are a requirement that employees use direct deposit and there is no smoking allowed in township vehicles.

**Mr. Thompson made a motion to approve the Warwick Township Employee Handbook as amended.
Second to motion by Mr. Cox.**

Chair Algeo invited comment or discussion. There being none, the vote was called.

Motion passed unanimously.

⇒ Work Policies 2005-05 and 2004-06, Revisions (exhibit)

Ms. Weniger presented work policy 2004-05 and 2004-06, amended to coordinate with the amended employee handbook.

**Motion by Mr. Thompson to approve Work Policy 2004-05 and Work Policy 2004-06, as presented.
Second to motion by Mr. Cox.**

Chair Algeo invited comment or discussion. There being none, the vote was called.

Motion passed unanimously.

⇒ 2395 York Road – Eastcom Wireless – C.O.D. Sign (exhibit)

Ms. Algeo noted that the Board likes to approve signs because it is important that signs are appropriate for the corridor overlay district. Applicant clarified illumination and lighting, as asked by Mr. Thompson.

The Board of Supervisors had no objection to applicant's sign as presented.

⇒ Police Regionalization Resolution Proposed by Doylestown Township – Discussion (exhibit)

Ms. Weniger is asking for direction as to how to respond to the resolution. Mr. Thompson said he was unaware of the Resolution prior to its adoption and would like Ms. Weniger to get more information on the study and expressed concern that the Township would be bound to the findings.

Mr. Cox said he is not interested in a higher price for a police department and we need to make sure we can have the same or better service without additional cost.

Ms. Algeo said she is not willing to discuss moving forward with the study until we have more information.

Ms. Weniger will put a draft response together based on their comments to her and email it to the Board members for their review before sending to the other communities.

⇒ Bill Payments - December 21, 2009 (exhibit)

General Fund		
Check N ^o 17219 through 17277	\$	91,513.87
Park & Recreation Fund		
Check N ^o 5331 through 5338	\$	46,566.89
Parks and Recreation Capital Projects Fund		
Check N ^o 1024	\$	3,648.80
Firehouse & Equipment Fund		
Check N ^o 230	\$	5,900.52
Road Machinery Fund		
Check N ^o 154	\$	1,182.49
General Obligation Fund		
Check N ^o 1013	\$	<u>18,859.27</u>
Total -	\$	167,671.84

**Motion by Mr. Cox to approve the December 21, 2009 Bill Payments, subject to audit.
Second to motion by Mr. Thompson.**

Chair Algeo invited comment or discussion. There being none, the vote was called.

Motion passed unanimously.

⇒ Bill Payments - January 4, 2010 (exhibit)

General Fund		
Check N ^o : 17278 through 17321	\$	59,575.44
Park & Recreation Fund		
Check N ^o : 5339 through 5343	\$	400.15
Capital Projects Fund		
Check N ^o : 1138	\$	<u>510.00</u>
Total -	\$	60,485.59

**Motion by Mr. Cox to approve the January 4, 2010 Bill Payments, subject to audit.
Second to motion by Mr. Thompson.**

Chair Algeo invited comment or discussion. There being none, the vote was called.

Motion passed unanimously.

⇒ Bill Payments - January 19, 2010 (exhibit)

General Fund – First National Bank Account		
Check N ^o : 17322 through 17383	\$	137,870.15
General Fund – TD Bank Account		
P Cards 12/04/2009	\$	20.00
P Card 01/03/2010	\$	5,625.02
Parks and Recreation Fund		
Check N ^o : 5344 through 5356	\$	3,362.12
Parks and Recreation Capital Fund		
Check N ^o : 1025	\$	5,814.00
Capital Projects Fund		
Check N ^o : 1139 through 1140	\$	<u>3,220.00</u>
Total -	\$	155,911.29

**Motion by Mr. Cox to approve the January 19, 2010 Bill Payments, subject to audit.
Second to motion by Mr. Thompson.**

Chair Algeo invited comment or discussion. There being none, the vote was called.

Motion passed unanimously.

■ **SOLICITOR'S REPORT:**

⇒ Ordinance Revision – Chapter 63 – Dogs and Other Animals (exhibit)

Mary Eberle, Township Solicitor, presented a draft ordinance amendment that regulates dog barking for more than ten (10) minutes straight or intermittently for thirty (30) minutes or more. It is recommended that the fine should be \$200.

Mr. Thompson believes there should be language to allow police the discretion for giving a warning before giving someone a \$200 fine. Chief Costello notes it is normal to give a warning first but there have been instances that we have been unable to enforce because we don't have an ordinance.

Mr. Cox asked how the ordinance would affect the exotic zoo. Ms. Eberle said the ordinance does not mention a zoo situation but would apply to a dog kennel.

**Motion by Mr. Thompson to authorize advertisement of the draft ordinance revision – Chapter 63, as presented.
Second to motion by Mr. Cox.**

Chair Algeo invited comment or discussion. There being none, the vote was called.

Motion passed unanimously.

■ **ENGINEER'S REPORT:**

⇒ LD 04-06 – Pizzo Tract, Escrow Release N^o. 4 (final release) (exhibit)

Bryan M^cAdam, Township Engineer, presented Pizzo Tract, Escrow Release N^o. 4, noting that this is a final escrow release for this project.

**Motion by Mr. Thompson to approve LD 04-06 – Pizzo Tract, Final Escrow Release, N^o. 4, in the amount of \$8,708.00 (leaving a balance of 0), as presented by the Township Engineer.
Second to motion by Mr. Cox.**

Chair Algeo invited comment or discussion. There being none, the vote was called.

Motion passed unanimously.

⇒ LD 08-03 Fry - Certification of Project Completion

Bryan M^cAdam, Township Engineer, reported that everything is done for this project.

■ **OLD BUSINESS:**

Mr. Thompson asked about the time for clearing sidewalks. Ms. Weniger noted that as we are reviewing our ordinances, we need to address this issue and give a more realistic time for clearing.

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■ **NEW BUSINESS:**

➤ Ms. Algeo asked John Gamble, school board member, if he would please submit reports to the Board of Supervisors with information about what is going on with the School Board. Mr. Gamble said he will.

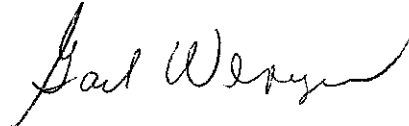
■ **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

➤ John Gamble asked when the work on Route 263 will happen. Ms. Weniger said that the schedule is for the final plan to be presented by PADOT in Spring 2010.

■ **ADJOURNMENT:**

The January 19, 2010, Warwick Township Board of Supervisors' public meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Gail V. Weniger,
Township Manager/Secretary

These minutes were approved at the
Board of Supervisors' meeting held: **February 2, 2010**