

WARWICK TOWNSHIP
Board of Supervisors' Public Meeting Minutes
April 17, 2006

Members Present: Judith A. Algeo, Esq., Chair
Edward P. Thompson, Vice Chairman
Bert Parrish, Member

Others Present: Gail Weniger, Township Manager
Dave Connell, P.E., Township Engineer
Peter Nelson, Esq., Township Solicitor
Tom Scott, Assistant Manager
Linda Grant, Recording Secretary

■ **CALL TO ORDER:**

The Warwick Township Board of Supervisors' April 17, 2006, 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:**

— April 3, 2006 (exhibit)

**Motion by Mr. Parrish to approve the Board of Supervisors' public meeting minutes for April 3, 2006, as submitted.
Second to motion by Mr. Thompson.**

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

Motion passed unanimously.

■ **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Ms. Algeo reported that the Board of Supervisors had met in Executive Session, prior to this evening's meeting to discuss some personnel matters.

■ **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

There were no announcements this evening

■ **CITIZENS' COMMENT:**

There were no Citizens' Comments this evening.

■ **MANAGER'S REPORT:**

— Bucks Consortium Road Materials – Award Bid (exhibit)

Ms. Weniger presented a recommendation from the Public Works Director to award the Bucks Consortium Road Materials bid to Eureka Stone Quarry, Inc., 800 Lower State Road, Chalfont, Pa, 18914.

Mr. Thompson questioned that the recommended bid may not be the lowest bid.

Discussion took place during which it was noted that that the recommended bid doesn't appear to be the lowest bid in all categories. It was further clarified that delivery costs add to the overall cost of the materials and the recommended bidder is a local vendor which makes the total bid the lowest. Mr. Thompson would like to ascertain that Eureka is indeed the low bidder. Ms. Weniger reports that we have sixty days to award the bid. Ms. Weniger will look into this matter.

Mr. Thompson made a motion to award the 2006 Bucks Consortium Road Materials Bid to Eureka Stone Quarry, Chalfont, PA., as recommended by the Public Works Director, subject to reviewing the bid along with the hauling rates. Second to motion by Mr. Parrish.

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

Motion passed unanimously.

— Police Vehicle Light Bars – Award Bid (exhibit)

Lt. Goldberg presented a recommendation for light bar purchase. Lt. Goldberg noted that this bid process only realized two bids. The low bidder is Auto Port, Inc., New Castle, Delaware with a bid of \$13,160.00. Lt. Goldberg also noted that installation charges are not included in the bids received. He reminded the Board that this same bidder was awarded a bid on a police vehicle last year and was not able to deliver

Mr. Thompson asked if the budget for the item is for purchase and installation. Lt. Goldberg said yes, and the installation is approximately \$250 per car. Mr. Thompson asked if Lt. Goldberg would consider holding off on this until the Board hears and decides on the pre-empt radio system antennae installation. Lt. Goldberg said both items are important, but believes that this project is important on a day to day basis for the safety of our officers. Mr. Thompson suggests awarding the bid to Mellor Auto since the low bidder has not delivered in the past. He also noted that Mellor has a history of good service with the Township and are local in case of any problems. After noting that Auto Port was not considered a responsible bidder, discussion ensued regarding the differences in the prices, noting that the Police Department would have to make it up somewhere else in the budget.

Motion by Mr. Thompson to award the Capital Purchase – Light Bar to Mellor Auto Electrics, Chalfont, PA, in the amount of \$14,700. Second to motion by Mr. Parrish.

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

Motion passed unanimously.

— Letter of Opposition re: Prevailing Wage Mandate for Road Maintenance Projects (exhibit)

Ms. Weniger explained a new mandate requiring prevailing wages for road projects and also reported that Governor Rendell has suspended this policy until he looks into it further to see what economic impact there will be on municipalities. Ms. Weniger is asking the Board of Supervisors to send a letter to voice opposition to the new mandate for prevailing wages.

Motion by Mr. Thompson to send a letter to Governor Rendell opposing the prevailing wage mandate.

Second to motion by Mr. Parrish.

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

Motion passed unanimously.

— Bill Payments for April 17, 2006 (exhibit)

General Fund check No. 12356 - 12423	\$	88,821.52
Parks & Recreation Fund check No. 3528 - 3551	\$	12,243.80
Capital Projects Fund check No. 889- 892	\$	5,311.00
Firehouse & Equipment Fund check No. 201	\$	49,423.00
Open Space Fund check No. 313	\$	<u>104.00</u>
TOTAL	\$	<u>155,903.32</u>

Motion by Mr. Thompson to approve Bill Payments for April 17, 2006, subject to audit.
Second to motion by Mr. Parrish.

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

Motion passed unanimously.

— Treasurer's Report - March 2006 (exhibit)

Ms. Weniger presented the March 2006 Treasurer's Report as follows:

General Fund	\$	2,725,226
Firehouse and Equipment		643,291
Road Machinery Fund		127,166
General Obligation / Sinking Fund		287,820
Open Space Fund		32,619
Capital Projects Fund		1,052,325
Highway Aid Fund		32,803

	453,751
Park and Recreation	
Capital Reserve	<u>567,086</u>
Total	<u>\$5,922,087</u>

Motion by Mr. Thompson to accept the Treasurer's Report for March 2006, as prepared by Rose Christie, Finance Director, subject to audit. Second to motion by Mr. Parrish.

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

Motion passed unanimously.

■ **ASSISTANT MANAGER/ZONING REPORT:**

The Assistant Manager has no report this evening.

■ **SOLICITOR'S REPORT:**

— Pizzo Development/Financial Agreement

Ms. Weniger noted this item was not listed on the agenda since the document was not given final approval by the solicitor until Friday evening. Ms. Weniger notes that the Board has been sent an electronic file of the agreement for review prior to this evening's meeting.

Peter Nelson, Esquire, reported that this is a four lot subdivision along Long Lane. Mr. Nelson noted that hours of operation are not included in the development agreement. The applicant has agreed to the hours of operation provision being written in and initialed.

There was brief discussion as to hours of operation with Mr. Connell noting that 7:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m., with no work on Sundays are the usual hours of operation for development agreements.

Ms. Weniger suggested that we look into changing our land development ordinance to address hours of operation, which we have been trying to capture in the development agreements. Mr. Connell suggested that the addition be made to the zoning ordinance and the and the fencing in of equipment be added as well.

■ **ENGINEER'S REPORT:**

— The Engineer has no report this evening.

■ **OLD BUSINESS:**

— There was no old business to discuss.

■ **NEW BUSINESS:**

— There was no new business to discuss.

■ **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

□ A resident spoke about police officers being out during a storm at night and is concerned that the officers are difficult to see. The resident suggests that the Township should look into buying Warwick's police officers lighted vests to help with the safety of these officers and allow them to be seen.

Ms. Algeo asked Chief Costello to look into the lighted vests.

□ Ms. Algeo asked about the status of the collection of escrow with St. Cyrils. Peter Nelson, Township Solicitor, said there is no news. Mr. Thompson and Mr. Parrish said they will call the Monsignor this week.

■ **ADJOURNMENT:**

The April 17, 2006, Warwick Township Board of Supervisors' meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail V. Weniger,
Township Manager/Secretary

These minutes were approved at the
Board of Supervisors' meeting held: **May 1, 2006**

