

WARWICK TOWNSHIP
Board of Supervisors' Public Meeting Minutes
JUNE 5, 2006

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

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

■ **CALL TO ORDER:**

The Warwick Township Board of Supervisors' June 5, 2006, public meeting, held at Warwick Township Administration Office, 1733 Township Greene, Jamison, PA., was called to order at 7:05 p.m., by Judith Algeo, Chair, who then led attendees in the pledge of allegiance.

■ **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

— May 15, 2006 (exhibit)

**Motion by Mr. Parrish to approve the Board of Supervisors' public meeting minutes for May 15, 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 matters of litigation.

■ **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

There were no announcements.

■ **CITIZENS' COMMENT:**

There were no Citizens' Comments.

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■ **MANAGER'S REPORT:**

— Recognition – Beth Chupalio (exhibit)

The Board of Supervisors, presented a Certificate of Recognition to Warwick resident, Beth Chupalio for her gold medals, accomplishments and successful competition in the Special Olympics. Beth and her parents were present for this recognition.

— Parks and Recreation Comprehensive Plan Committee – Consider Appointments (exhibit)

Ms. Weniger presented a request from the Director of Parks and Recreation for the Board of Supervisors to appoint the Parks and Recreation Open Space and Comprehensive Plan Committee. Ms. Weniger explained that the list of interested individuals submitted for consideration, represents a variety of demographic groups in the Township.

**Motion by Mr. Thompson to appoint Joe Ballasy, Lou Zabielski, Rich Duffy, Hannah Cryne, Margaret Trageser, Mary Beth Cracknell, Lyn Connaghan, Frank Jarrett, Alex Hamilton and Bob Snyder, to the Parks and Recreation Open Space and Comprehensive Plan Committee.
Second to motion by Mr. Parrish.**

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

Motion passed unanimously.

— Request for Voter Registration Set-Up at Concerts (exhibit)

Ms. Weniger presented a request for a voter registration set-up at the concerts. Ms. Weniger reminded that the Township plans on setting up to receive donations for the hurricane Katrina victims, but would like the Board to determine policy in regard to groups setting up tables at the concerts.

Mr. Parrish believes this is an evening of summer relaxation and there should not be anything available to distract from that. Even if our policy means that we have to withdraw the hurricane Katrina benefit, Mr. Parrish would not like the voter registration to be done at the concerts.

Ms. Algeo does not have a problem with voter registration, but it should be limited to no more than the two major parties. Ms. Algeo does not feel we should be open to every social organization in town to come out to the concerts.

Mr. Thompson has a problem with people being bombarded with political handouts. Mr. Thompson suggested the possibility of limiting the number of concerts where they could set up. Mr. Thompson also feels this group is riding on the tails of others who have paid to sponsor the concerts. They can come to Warwick Day and set up a booth.

After discussion, it was determined that Mr. Thompson and Mr. Parrish were not in favor of voter registration setup at the concerts. Ms. Algeo said voter registration should be allowed at the concerts.

- Public Works – Consider Bid for Garage Floor (exhibit)
- Public Works – Consider Bid for Garage Door (exhibit)

Ralph Carp, Public Works Director, reported that the numbers came in a lot higher than anticipated and only one bid was received for the floor. Ralph stated that he will re-bid the garage door with a lesser gauge of metal, bringing the price down. He is looking into alternate treatments for the garage floor. Mr. Carp requests the Board to not award either contract.

**Motion by Mr. Thompson not to accept the Bid for garage door replacement at the Guinea Lane Public Works Facility; and not to accept the Bid for concrete floor replacement at the Guinea Lane Public Works Facility.
Second to motion by Mr. Parish.**

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

Motion passed unanimously.

- House Bills to Amend the MPC – Discussion

Ms. Weniger presented House Bill 2355 and House Bill 2040 for discussion.

After brief discussion of House Bill 2355, Ms. Algeo and Mr. Parrish feel we should leave things as they are and we have no need for an alternate. Mr. Thompson said he has no problem with the bill.

Ms. Weniger presented House Bill 2040, which is about public notification and would allow residents to supply the Township Administrative Office with a stamped, self-addressed for notification of a certain item. Ms. Weniger points out that we have the open records act, which allows people to come in and request records, and we fill their requests at cost. After some discussion of this Bill as to how record keeping for the requests would be handled, the Board of Supervisors determined that the legislature should be informed that this Bill would be an impractical burden to the Township.

- Bill Payments – June 5, 2006

General Fund check No. 12531 - 12594	\$	120,160.49
Parks & Recreation Fund check No. 3586 - 3610	\$	11,695.45
Capital Projects Fund check No. 901 904	\$	17,025.00
Highway Aid Fund check N ^o . 2523 - 2525	\$	5,890
Open Space Fund check N ^o . 3571 – 3585	\$	266.00
TOTAL		<u>\$ 155,037.73</u>

**Motion by Mr. Thompson to approve Bill Payments for June 5, 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 – April 2006

General Fund	\$	3,135,588
Firehouse and Equipment		642,961
Road Machinery Fund		142,005
General Obligation / Sinking Fund		492,087
Open Space Fund		32,570
Capital Projects Fund		1,103,082
Highway Aid Fund		286,115
Park and Recreation		516,533
Capital Reserve		<u>569,015</u>
	Total	<u>\$6,919,956</u>

**Motion by Mr. Thompson to accept the Treasurer's Report for April 2006, as prepared by Rose Christie, 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'S REPORT:**

There was no assistant manager report this evening.

■ **SOLICITOR'S REPORT:**

— Ordinance Amendment - Public Hearing (exhibit)

Mary Eberle, Township Solicitor, presented an ordinance amendment regarding limiting parking in Stover Mill. This public hearing has been legally advertised for tonight and the chief had previously presented the details to the Board at their public meeting.

Ms. Algeo called the public hearing to order and invited comment or discussion. There being none, Ms. Algeo called for a motion.

**Motion by Mr. Thompson to adopt Ordinance N° 2006-01, amending article IV, chapter 177, section 26 of the Warwick Township code to prohibit parking on the east side of Stover Street between Tarleton Place and Beechwood Place.
Second to motion by Mr. Parrish.**

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

Motion passed unanimously.

— Acceptance of Deed of Dedication, Hidden Pond, Phase III, Open Space (Lots 136 and 137)
– Resolution N^o 2006-16

Mary Eberle, Township Solicitor, presented this matter for discussion. Ms. Weniger states these are overgrown wooded lots, which the Township has been doing maintenance on, such as trees needing to be cut down. Ms. Eberle said these lots have been offered for dedication as open space. Dave Connell, Township Engineer, pointed out the area on the plan and described steep sloping.

**Motion by Mr. Thompson to Accept Deed of Dedication, Hidden Pond, Phase III, Open Space (Lots 136 and 137), Resolution N^o 2006-16.
Second to motion by Ms. Algeo.**

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

Motion passed unanimously.

■ **ENGINEER'S REPORT:**

The Engineer has no report this evening.

■ **OLD BUSINESS:**

There was no old business to discuss.

■ **NEW BUSINESS:**

Mr. Thompson said that Carl Halter called him about the detention basins being sprayed and all the growth has been killed. Ms. Weniger noted the Township is starting the naturalization of the basins. Mr. Thompson asked about the danger of what is being used to kill the growth. Ms. Weniger stated that the license to apply weed killer in public areas is specific and require appropriate public notifications to people with allergies.

■ **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

□ Joe Gable, Heritage Creek, spoke of the street lights in Heritage Creek that are not working since March and asked if the Township can get Mignatti to address these. Ms. Weniger said that Dave Connell has noted them on a punch list and the Township is trying to get Mignatti out to look at them at night.

□ Ms. Algeo reminds that the concert series starts June 11 and that we are using the concerts as an opportunity to raise funds that will enable the Waveland, Mississippi's local government, victim of hurricane Katrina, to pay for the cost of a public works employee for a year.

■ **ADJOURNMENT:**

The June 5, 2006, Warwick Township Board of Supervisors' meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail V. Weniger,
Township Manager/Secretary

These minutes were approved at the
Board of Supervisors' meeting held: **June 19, 2006**