

WARWICK TOWNSHIP

Board of Supervisors' Public Meeting Minutes
January 18, 2016

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

Others Present: Gail V. Weniger, Township Manager
Mary Eberle, Township Solicitor
Michele Fountain, Township Engineer
Catherine Topley, Recording Secretary

■ **CALL TO ORDER:**

The Warwick Township Board of Supervisors' January 18, 2016 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:**

- ⇒ Monday December 7, 2015 Board of Supervisor Minutes
- ⇒ Monday January 4, 2016 Board of Supervisor Re-Org Meeting Minutes
- ⇒ Tuesday January 5, 2016 Board of Supervisor Ambulance Construction Update Meeting Minutes.

Motion by Mr. Cox to approve the December 7, 2015, Monday January 4, 2016 and Tuesday January 5, 2016 Board of Supervisors' Meeting Minutes 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**

The Board of Supervisors' met in executive session prior to this evenings meeting to discuss matters of personnel and real estate.

■ **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Ms. Weniger, Township Manager noted that the Board will consider a proposal for an update of the Township's 537 plan under new business.

■ **CITIZEN COMMENT:**

Several Adams Way residents, including Randy Hulings, 1822 Adams Way, Mark Connery, 1800 Adams Way, and Robin Cherkin, 1808 Adams Way came to ask for the

Township to review their perceived drainage issue at the back of their homes. They reported that John Gamble, another property owner had previously complained in 2006 at a Board meeting and the issue still exists. The residents shared photos from December 22, 2015 featuring water behind Mr. Hulings patio and around his tree. He reports that the basin remains dry.

Ms. Fountain, Township Engineer, reported that she had been out to this site recently but will do another investigation per Ms. Algeo's request. Ms. Fountain stated t that it would take a little time depending on the weather as she would need to see the area when it is raining and when it is dry.

Ms. Weniger asked the neighbors present to send their email information to her and she will keep them in the loop as the investigation goes on.

■ **MANAGER'S REPORT:**

⇒ Life Saving Award

Chief Goldberg stated that on October 11, 2015 at 7:00 PM, EMS and Warwick Police Corporal Ogborn and Officer Szamboti were called to a home on Long Pond Drive for a reported patient choking. When the officers arrived, they found the patient in cardiac arrest on the floor. The officers immediately began CPR. Paramedics from Warminster arrived, and took over patient care. As a result of this cooperative effort, the patient survived and recovered from this most serious medical condition.

Based on their outstanding action, which resulted in the saving of a life, Corporal Ogborn and Officer Szamboti are hereby awarded the Warwick Township Commendation for Lifesaving.

Present tonight to join us in commending these officers are staff from Warminster Ambulance, and Mr. Thomas Werner, the resident who was saved by the actions of the emergency responders.

Ms. Algeo congratulated these officers and thanked them for their service.

⇒ Police Pension Ordinance 2016-01 Amendment – For Adoption

This ordinance was authorized for advertisement at the November 16, 2015 Board of Supervisors meeting and has been advertise for hearing and consideration of adoption this evening.

The proposed ordinance includes statutory changes in number of credits required from 12 to 7 for dependents to be benefit eligible and the addition of language per the last CBA limiting the disability pension for new hires to be capped at 50%. The PBA has reviewed through their counsel and agreed that the language change is consistent with Act 600.

Motion by Mr. Cox to approve adoption of Police Pension Ordinance 2016-01 as stated above.

Second to motion by Mr. Thompson

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

Motion passed unanimously

⇒ Stop Sign Ordinance Amendment – For Advertisement

Ms. Weniger explained that this is an Ordinance of the Warwick Township Board of Supervisors, amending the Warwick Township code to establish stop sign intersections. This amends current code to include all existing stop signs and to allow for appropriate stop sign enforcement.

Motion by Mr. Cox to approve for advertisement the Stop Sign Ordinance Amendment.

Second to motion by Mr. Thompson

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

Motion passed unanimously

⇒ RES 2016-14 to Amend and Restate 401 (a) plans

Ms. Weniger explained that this resolution is amending and restating the 401 (a) money purchase retirement plans in accordance with current IRS regulations. This is regarding Employer Plan #106443 and Employer Plan #107742. There are no changes in the plans.

Motion by Mr. Cox to approve RES 2016-14 to Amend and Restate 401 (a) plans.

Second to motion by Mr. Thompson

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

Motion passed unanimously

⇒ RES 2016-15 TAP Grant

Ms. Weniger explained that this resolution is authorizing the support of making application to PennDOT's 201 Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP)

The grant, if awarded, provides 100% reimbursement for construction and inspections of the Moland Park trail. The project, as presented and discussed a number of times, includes a trail that goes from the Moland House down along Route 263 and under the highway with a macadam trail. The trail then goes along a path away from the Creek and the project includes a pedestrian bridge to cross over to connect to the trail being added by Toll Brothers.

Kyle Seckinger, Assistant Manager, is heading this grant application and he, along with Dan Sharapan, Parks and Recreation Director have met with the Warwick Township Historical Society representatives and received their endorsement of the project.

At this time I'm asking for your support of this Grant application through this resolution.

**Motion by Mr. Cox to approve RES 2016-15 TAP Grant
Second to motion by Mr. Thompson**

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

Motion passed unanimously

⇒ Treasurers Report for November 2015
Fund balances for November, 2015 are as follows, subject to audit:

General Fund	\$	9,169,214
Firehouse and Equipment	\$	719,991
Road Machinery Fund	\$	87,363
General Obligation / Sinking Fund	\$	564,052
Open Space Fund	\$	24,378
Capital Projects Fund	\$	104,322
Highway Aid Fund	\$	201,784
Parks and Recreation	\$	546,035
Parks and Recreation Capital Fund	\$	1,068,312
Capital Reserve	\$	<u>418,343</u>
Total	\$	<u>12,903,794</u>

**Motion by Mr. Cox to approve the November 2015 Treasurers Report as prepared by Barbara Weinstein, Finance Director, 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 for 12/21/15 and 1/18/16

Ms. Weniger requested approval to pay the bills for December 21, 2015 totaling \$119,609.73 and for January 18, 2016 totaling \$186,714.80 as listed in the Bill Payment register, subject to audit.

**Motion by Mr. Cox to approve the December 21, 2015 and the January 18, 2016 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:**

■ **ENGINEER'S REPORT:**

⇒ LD 14-03: Mini Storage Warehouse Exp. – Certify Complete and Escrow Release

Ms. Fountain, Township Engineer stated that CKS is Certifying the project complete and is asking the Board for a full escrow release in the amount of \$126,103.53 for work completed.

**Motion by Mr. Cox to accept certification of project completion and the escrow release in the amount of \$126,103.53
Second to motion by Mr. Thompson**

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

Motion passed unanimously

⇒ LD 14-05: Stonyview – Escrow Release #2

Ms. Fountain, Township Engineer stated that she is asking the Board for escrow release #2 in the amount of \$21,566.00 for work completed.

**Motion by Mr. Cox to approve escrow release #2 in the amount of \$21,566.00
Second to motion by Mr. Thompson**

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

Motion passed unanimously

■ **OLD BUSINESS:**

■ **NEW BUSINESS:**

Ms. Weniger stated that they have been given a proposal for the update of the Act 537 plan, created by Ebbert Engineering and she has distributed this to you. At this time she is looking for approval to move forward with updating of this plan. Assistant Manager Kyle Seckinger would be the lead on this project.

Mr. Thompson asked what the timeline is for this project. Ms. Weniger states that as of now there is not one as it depends on the availability of the board, residents and others involved.

**Motion by Mr. Cox to approve re-writing the Act 537 plan.
Second to motion by Mr. Thompson**

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

Motion passed unanimously

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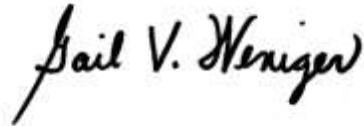
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■ **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

■ **ADJOURNMENT:**

The January 18, 2016 Warwick Township Board of Supervisors' public meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gail V. Weniger". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial 'G'.

These minutes were approved at the Board of Supervisors' meeting held:

Gail V. Weniger