

Tredyffrin Township**Minutes – October 20, 2008**

The second regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Tredyffrin Township for the month of October was held on the above date at the Township Building. Board members present included Warren Kampf, Chairman; Robert Lamina, Vice Chairman; Mark DiFelicianantonio, Bill DeHaven, John DiBuonaventuro, Judy DiFilippo, and Paul Olson. Also in attendance were Mimi Gleason, Township Manager; Stephen F. Norcini, Director of Public Works; David Brill, Finance Director; Stephen Burgo, Township Engineer; Superintendent Andrew Chambers; Thomas Hogan, Solicitor; Lt. Anthony Giaimo; and Jolene Buffman, Recording Secretary.

Call to Order

Mr. Kampf called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Minutes

Motion was made by Mr. Olson, seconded by Mrs. DiFilippo, and passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held October 6, 2008, as amended.

Announcements

On October 29th, the Environmental Advisory Council and the Department of Environmental Protection are sponsoring a special talk on how homeowners and business owners can take advantage of the new Pennsylvania Alternative Energy Investment Act. It will be held at 7:00 pm at the Township Building.

Miscellaneous - Presentation of Certificates to Devon Strafford Little League

Mr. Kampf presented Certificates of Recognition to members of the Devon Strafford Little League International Team who were the 2008 Pennsylvania State Champions. Members receiving the certificates included: Andrew Born, Stephen Born, Max Dolente, Alec Gagne, Christopher MacGibbon, John Miller, Colin Murphy, Riley Pritchett, Thomas Richter, Austin Shirley and Kyle Stefanic. The team manager was Glen MacGibbon, and coaches were Robert Shirley and Bill Richter. Mr. Kampf thanked the team for doing an unprecedented job and for putting Tredyffrin Township baseball on the map.

Miscellaneous - Swearing in of new Superintendent of Police

Mr. Kampf said the Board of Supervisors has selected Captain Andy Chambers as the next Superintendent of Police for Tredyffrin Township. The Honorable Anthony A. Sarcione administered the Oath of Office to Supt. Chambers in front of a packed audience. Mr. Kampf said this is a very important job, and the Board took the selection process very seriously. He said Supt. Chambers has dedicated his life to the police profession, and the Board recognized his

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27 years of service to the Township and its residents. Supt. Chambers received well wishes from representative of local police, fire departments, first responders, former police officers, State Representative Carole Rubley, Attorney General Thomas Corbett, County Commissioner Carol Aichele, Chester County District Attorney, Joe Carroll, and Chester County Sheriff, Bunny Welsh.

Mr. Kampf called for a 15 minute recess.

Miscellaneous – PA State Fire Commissioners Special Training Recognition to Berwyn Fire Company

Edward Mann, State Fire Commissioner, honored Berwyn Fire Company for its commitment to training and firefighter safety. The fire company has attained gold level participation, which means 100% of Berwyn firefighters, 18 years of age and older, have completed Firefighter I training. Berwyn becomes the first fire company in Tredyffrin and Easttown Townships, and only one of two Chester County fire companies with volunteers to receive the 100% distinction.

Fire Company Reports

Jim Curran presented September's report for the Paoli Fire Company. There were 10 fire calls and 50 EMS calls, as well as 10 false alarm calls in Tredyffrin. He said there has been a 35% response from residents for the fund drive and 7% from businesses. An additional mailing has been sent out to residents and businesses.

Eamon Brazunas said the Fire Commissioner's recognition would take the place of Berwyn's monthly report in the interest of time.

Mr. Kampf adjourned the public meeting at 8:35 p.m. to hold the Public Hearing.

Public Hearing - Consider adoption of a new Comprehensive Plan

At the end of discussion, it was decided to continue the public hearing to consider adoption of a new Comprehensive Plan to December 1, 2008.

Complete notes of testimony were taken by Elaine Parrish, Court Reporter, and are on file at the Township Building.

Mr. Kampf reconvened the public meeting at 10:25 p.m.

Financial Report

Mr. Brill presented the Financial Report for September 2008:

Financial Performance Year-to-Date versus Budget

	<u>YTD vs. Budget – Fav (Unf)</u>			<u>Concerns</u>	<u>Yr. Forecast</u>
	<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Total</u>		
General Fund	(597,713)	461,324	(136,389)	Real Estate Market	On Budget
Sewer Utility Fund	17,913	410,377	428,290	None	Favorable to budget
Valley Creek Trunk Sewer Fund	5,490	72,718	78,208	None	On budget
Township Wide Expenses		922,069			Favorable to budget

Cash & Investment Position - Reserves and cash flow remain healthy.

	<u>Balance \$M</u>	
	<u>Current</u>	<u>Prior</u>
Unrestricted	17.2	16.9
Restricted	48.0	49.1

Debt Position – Current with debt payments and covenants.

Mr. DiBuonaventuro asked if we completed the follow-up on his question relating to transfer taxes and how they are presented in the financial report. Mr. Brill said yes, in our packet we now have two slides relating to transfer taxes, the first being a trend on the general transfer taxes and the second being a trend on the large commercial taxes.

Mr. Olson asked for the best estimate of transfer taxes for the rest of the year, and Mr. Brill said he hoped to collect about \$350,000.

Public Works

Mr. Norcini said the Public Works Department is working on issues addressed by the Traffic Committee regarding traffic signals and signage. The Inlet Replacement Project is complete. Park maintenance continues at Township parks. At the Library, Phase I and II are awaiting final inspection by the architect for substantial completion. Phase III work is underway. Landscaping is scheduled for installation this week. The SuperPave Program is 90% complete.

Mr. DiBuonaventuro asked if the decreased cost of oil is having a positive effect on the paving project. Mr. Norcini said yes, and we will be able to pave one more road with the savings.

Mr. DiFelicantonio asked about the bridge at Crabby Creek. Mr. Norcini said the bridge design is being finalized for a submission to PA DEP. The bridge is a pre-engineered modified arch span.

Engineering Report

Mr. Burgo said the Croton Road Culvert Replacement Project is moving along with construction to begin this month. The Pugh and Old Eagle School Road Stormwater Project final design is completed, and we have received the PA DOT HOP permit. We are working on getting final easements from neighbors, and should be able to go out to bid in November.

Mr. Burgo said we are continuing our efforts on the Maude/Lisa & Vincent Road Stormwater Improvement Projects. We have met with the residents who are affected, finished the preliminary plans, and are working to finalize bid documents and plans.

Miscellaneous - Supervisors Liaison Reports

Mr. DiBuonaventuro reported that the Park Board is looking for interested citizens to become a member of the new Park Foundation.

Motion was made by Mr. DiBuonaventuro, seconded by Mr. Olson, and passed unanimously to appoint Elisabeth Brake to fill an unexpired term on the Park and Recreation Board; term to expire April 30, 2009.

Mr. DiBuonaventuro reported that Lt. Giaimo has started a Traffic Committee Action List which will summarize everything that is going on at the Traffic Committee. The list will include priority items and residents' concerns.

Motion was made by Mr. Olson, seconded by Mrs. DiFilippo, and passed unanimously to reappoint Elizabeth Allinson to a three year term on the Library Board of Trustees; term to expire October 18, 2011.

Mr. Kampf said the Board met in Executive Session to discuss legal and personnel matters before the public meeting.

Miscellaneous - Receive bids for the supply of Light Emitting Diode (LED) street lights, Public Works Project #8-08

Mr. Norcini said this is a budgeted project which will test two roads with LED street lights. These lights are environmentally friendly and don't contain mercury like some of our other lights. They are brighter and will use less energy. The first roads where they will be installed are North Valley from Central Avenue to Swedesford Road.

At the end of discussion, motion was made by Mr. Olson, seconded by Mrs. DiFilippo, and passed unanimously to receive bids for the supply of Light Emitting Diode (LED) street lights, Public Works Project #8-08.

New Matters – Board

None

New Matters – Citizens

Bob O'Leary, Vice Chairman of the Planning Commission, responding to a comment made during the Comprehensive Plan public hearing, said he was in agreement with the Planning Commission's decision regarding sidewalks at St. David's Golf Club. He applauded the dedication and work of his fellow members of the Sidewalks, Trails and Paths Committee, and

encouraged the Board of Supervisors to include the STAP's recommendations for the Green Routes Network in the new Comprehensive Plan. Mr. O'Leary recognized that the Green Routes Network will take a long time to implement and emphasized the importance of having a vision and a plan.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jolene E. Buffman
Recording Secretary