

**WESTTOWN TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING**  
**Stokes Assembly Hall**  
**1039 Wilmington Pike, Westtown Township**  
**June 23, 2010 - 7:30PM**

**Call to Order**

Vice Chairman Walter led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and called the meeting to order.

**Present**

Commissioners – Hatton, Whitig, Adler, Walter, and Pomerantz. Also present for this Joint Meeting were the members of the Agricultural Security Area Advisory Committee (ASAAC), Thomas A. Foster, Eva Foster, Peter Flynn, and Joseph Stratton.

**Adoption of Agenda**

The Agenda was adopted as presented (RP/RH).

**Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the Planning Commission meeting of June 9, 2010, were approved as submitted. (RP/RH) Unanimously approved.

Dick Pomerantz reported on an incident in Portland, Oregon, exemplifying his concern about the safety of school students during the proposed construction at Penn Wood and Westtown-Thornbury as expressed at the June 9<sup>th</sup> meeting during the discussion of the school projects. Dave Walker suggested that this issue be raised during future discussions with the West Chester Area School District. The Planning Commission representative at the Board meeting will bring this matter to the attention of the Supervisors.

**Reports.**

Elaine Adler reported on the Board meeting of June 21, 2010. Chief Dumond asked residents to report incidents where someone knocks on the door asking for directions or offering services. There have been several instances where vacant homes have been entered and robbed. The Board approved an easement for Aqua of Pennsylvania to extend its waterlines through Oakbourne Park, construction agreements, storm water agreements, and escrow for the office building project in Jefferson Center, and awarded the 2010 Road bid. The Township will also have several open space areas surveyed.

**Announcements**

Elaine Adler asked that speakers be reminded to come forward and use the microphones when speaking.

**Non-agenda Public Comment.**

None at this time.

**Agriculture Security Area (ASA) Seven Year Review.**

At the request of Vice Chair Walker, Mr. Foster explained the purpose, function, and history of the Agricultural Security Area to the PC. At this point, the ASAAC and the Planning Commission, having reviewed the proposed list of properties to be included in the Area, are supposed to make a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. In response to PC questions, Mr. Foster also explained the advantages of belonging to an ASA, and the effect on the eminent domain procedure.

Motion (BW/RH), the Planning Commission will send a letter to the Board of Supervisors recommending that the Board adopt the 2010 Agricultural Security Area as listed. Unanimously approved.

**Public Comment**

Joseph Stratton, East Street Road, thanked the Township for its continued support of agriculture.

Russ Hatton expressed his appreciation to Eva Foster for her work with the Oakbourne Mansion Commission.

**Adjournment (RH/EA) - 7:51pm.**

Elaine L. Adler  
Planning Commission Secretary