

WESTTOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGULAR MEETING
STOKES ASSEMBLY HALL, 1039 WILMINGTON PIKE
May 19, 2008, 7:30Pm

In attendance were Supervisors Chair Thomas A. Foster, and Charles P. Barber Police Commissioner; Township Manager Robert Layman; and Westtown-East Goshen Police Chief John M. Dumond. There were three guests in attendance.

I. Call to Order.

As there was a quorum present Chair Thomas Foster called the meeting to order at 7:31 PM and led those present in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

II. Approval of Minutes (May 6, 2008 Regular Meetings).

Mr. Barber made a motion, seconded by Mr. Foster, to approve the minutes of the May 6, 2008 regular meeting. Mr. Foster asked for public comment. There was no public comment. The Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the minutes as presented.

III. Departmental Reports.

A. Westtown-East Goshen Police Chief John M. Dumond.

Chief Dumond reviewed the April statistics for Westtown. He mentioned that the Chester County Hospital annual fair was held at the Goshen Fair Ground this year. The event was incident free. Chief Dumond reported that a DUI check point was held at Ellis Lane and West Chester Pike. There were five DUI arrests and two arrests for drugs. Mr. Barber stated that at the last Board meeting Mr. Tehrani had asked about an accident in the location of 619 E. Street Road where it took the Police fifteen minutes to respond. Mr. Barber, for the record, presented the incident report of the accident. The response time of the officers was due to the fact that the initial dispatch at 4:56Pm was for a non-injury accident and officers were involved at incidents at other locations. When the accident was dispatched again at 5:07Pm as an injury had occurred the Police responded immediately. Mr. Barber also responded to a letter from Virginia Hassler, 12 Jacqueline Drive, concerning the increase of traffic and speeding on this road. Mr. Barber said, prior to receipt of her letter, the Traffic Patrol had issued twenty-three citations and nine warnings for speeding during April. Chief Dumond stated that Corporal Kennedy had contacted Mrs. Hassler and that patrolling of Jacqueline Drive will continue.

B. Planning Commission – Jim Lees.

Mr. Layman stated that the May 7th Planning Commission Meeting had been canceled. At this week's meeting the Commission will continue discussion of the amendments to the Lighting Ordinance. The Commission will also review Mr. Snook's memo pertaining to revisions to the zoning amendments for the AC District.

IV. Public Comment-Non Agenda Items.

Mr. Foster announced that a memorial service would be held for Dr. Stokes on June 7th at 11:00Am at the West Chester United Methodist Church 129 S. High Street. Visitation with the family will start at 10:00Am.

V. Old Business:

There was no old business

VI. New Business:

A. Accept Tract 2008-2 Oakbourne Park Gate House Simple Subdivision.

Mr. Foster stated one of the conditions for receiving funding from the County for Oakbourne Park was that the property would not be rented or sold. As the Township is now renting the Gate House the County is requiring that the Gate House be subdivided into a separate parcel.

Mr. Barber made a motion, seconded by Mr. Foster, to accept Tract 2008-2 Oakbourne Park Gate House Simple Subdivision and pass to the Planning Commission for review. Mr. Foster asked for public comment. There was no public comment. The Board of supervisors unanimously accepted Tract 2008-2.

B. Accept Resignation Helen Greer Oakbourne Mansion Commission.

Mr. Foster and Mr. Barber expressed their regret at Mrs. Greer's resignation and thanked her for her service on the Commission.

On the motion of Mr. Barber, seconded by Mr. Foster, the Board of Supervisors unanimously accepted Mrs. Greer's resignation.

C. Appointment of Emilie Barber, Eva Foster, and Michele Gifford to the Reorganized Board of the Oakbourne Mansion Commission.

Mr. Foster stated that the Board had approved reorganization of the Oakbourne Mansion Commission to a three member executive board with sub-committees at their February 19, 2008 regular meeting. He stated that applications have been received from Emilie Barber, Eva Foster and Michele Gifford to serve on the Executive Board. The current members of the Oakbourne Commission, if they wish, will continue to serve on the sub-committee of their choice.

Mr. Barber made a motion, seconded by Mr. Foster, to approve the appointments of Emile Barber, Eva Foster, and Michele Gifford to the Oakbourne Mansion Commission Executive Board. Mr. Foster asked for public comment. There was no public comment. The Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the appointments.

D. Appointment of Jeff House to the Township Zoning Hearing Board.

Mr. Foster stated that the passing of Dr. Stokes created a vacancy on the Zoning Hearing Board. Jeff House who is now serving as an alternate to the Zoning Hearing Board will be appointed to fill the unexpired term of Dr. Stokes through December 31, 2008.

Mr. Barber made a motion, seconded by Mr. Foster, to appoint Jeff House to fill the unexpired term of Dr. Stokes on the Township Zoning Hearing Board. Mr. Foster asked for public comment. There was no public comment. The Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the appointment.

VII. Public Comment (All Topics).

There was no public comment at this time.

VIII. Payment of Bills.

On the motion of Mr. Barber, seconded by Mr. Foster, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved payment of the bills as presented.

IX. Adjournment.

On the motion of Mr. Barber, seconded by Mr. Foster, the meeting was adjourned at 7:44.Pm.

