

April 1, 2013

The East Lampeter Township Board of Supervisors met on Monday, April 1, 2013, at 7:30 p.m. at the East Lampeter Township Office, 2250 Old Philadelphia Pike, Lancaster, PA 17602. The meeting was called to order by Mr. David Buckwalter, Chairman and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. In addition to Mr. Buckwalter, supervisors present were: Mr. John Shertzer, Mr. Mike Landis, Mr. John Blowers, and Mr. Glenn Eberly. Also present was Mr. Ralph Hutchison, Township Manager.

The following persons signed in as being present in the audience:

Ken Hertz, 407 Larkspur Loop, Lancaster, PA 17602, representing Eastwood Meadows
Diane Giles, 2460 New Holland Pike, Lancaster, PA 17601, representing CVCC
Samayra Collazo, 431 Larkspur Loop, Lancaster, PA 17602, representing Eastwood Meadows
Jose Collazo, 431 Larkspur Loop, Lancaster, PA 17602, representing Eastwood Meadows
Robert Scheid, 400 Coreopsis Drive, Lancaster, PA 17602, representing Eastwood Meadows
Brian Trout, 249 & 341 Greenland Drive, 307 Dohner Drive, Lancaster, PA 17602, representing Eastwood Meadows
Lynn Commero, representing Lancaster Newspapers
John W. Kreider, 2566 Old Philadelphia Pike, Bird-in-Hand, PA 17505, representing Smoketown Veterinary Hospital
Darel & Helen Pack, 315 Greenland Drive, Lancaster, PA 17602, representing Eastwood Meadows
Brenda Carson, 283 Greenland Drive, Lancaster, PA 17602, representing Eastwood Meadows
Michael Westlund, 314 Greenland Drive, Lancaster, PA 17602, representing Eastwood Meadows

Chairman Buckwalter indicated that copies of the agenda and minutes from the previous meeting were available in the back of the room for review.

Minutes of March 19, 2013 Regular Meeting:

Chairman Buckwalter asked if there were any additions or corrections regarding the minutes of the March 19, 2013 regular meeting as prepared. There were no comments.

A motion was made by Mr. Eberly to dispense with the reading of the March 19, 2013 minutes and approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Shertzer seconded the motion and it was passed by a vote of four in favor and one abstaining. (Mr. Landis abstained due to being absent from the March 19, 2013 meeting.)

Bills:

Chairman Buckwalter indicated that bills to be paid from various funds in the amount of \$249,628.61 were presented for payment. Chairman Buckwalter noted that one of the larger items included in that amount was a payment of \$51,000.00 to Morgan Stanley for the police and non-uniform pension plan

A motion was made by Mr. Landis and seconded by Mr. Blowers to approve payment of the bills as listed in the amount of \$249,628.61. The motion was passed by unanimous voice vote.

Old Business:

- a. Time Extension re: Beiler/A&J Power Subdivision Plan #12-07: Beechdale Road

Chairman Buckwalter asked if anyone was present for this project. No one was in attendance to represent this item. The applicant is offering the Board a 120-day time extension to review and act on Subdivision Plan #12-07 for 340-346 Beechdale Road. Chairman Buckwalter stated that this plan has been around for a year and asked Mr. Hutchison if he was aware of any progress that has been made on this plan.

Mr. Hutchison responded that they have not submitted any revisions to the plan from back when they originally submitted the plan. There were review comments provided and they have not submitted any revisions since then.

A motion was made by Mr. Shertzer to deny Subdivision Plan #12-07 for Beiler/A&J Power on Beechdale Road. Mr. Blowers seconded the motion and it was passed by unanimous voice vote.

New Business:

None

Other Business:

- a. Request to Use Township Roads for Rafiki Foundation 5K Run

Chairman Buckwalter asked if anyone was present for this item. No one was present. He explained the applicant is requesting use of the township roads for the 2nd Annual Rafiki Foundation 5K Run to be held on May 4, 2013. He asked Mr. Hutchison if everything was in order with naming the Township as an additional insured for the event.

Mr. Hutchison replied that he has not received the certificate of insurance at this time, but has spoken to Mr. Heil who said he will get it submitted.

A motion was made by Mr. Blowers to approve the request for use of township roads for the Rafiki Africa Foundation 5K Run to be held on May 4, 2013 with the condition of receiving the certificate of insurance. The motion was seconded by Mr. Landis and passed by unanimous voice vote.

- b. Parking of Tractor Trailers on S. Oakview Road

Mr. Hutchison explained that he actually had heard from a number of residents of Eastwood Meadows and also received an email from Jean Bickmire indicating that they would like to come to the Board and discuss their concerns with tractor trailers that are parking on S. Oakview Road.

Mr. Ken Hertz, 407 Larkspur Loop, Lancaster, PA 17602, introduced himself as President of the Eastwood Meadows Homeowners Association. He explained it started a few months back when one of the residents began parking his tractor trailer along Oakview Road. Over time, the number of tractor trailers parking along this area has increased to six (6) this past weekend. Mr. Hertz spoke about the safety

issues with the trucks park along the road and the appearance of the neighborhood. They are requesting that the Board take action to zone this section of S. Oakview Road to no parking.

Mr. Brian Trout stated that he has three rental properties in the Eastwood Meadows/Dohner Farms neighborhood (249 and 341 Greenland Drive and 307 Dohner Drive). He addressed about if there were a fire at one of the townhouses along this area of S. Oakview Road, how would the fire apparatus be able to get to the fire. He stated that where the trucks are parked, it is obvious that they must travel from Rt. 30 at Greenland Drive to get to park on the east side of S. Oakview Road. In order for them to do this, cars must yield and this is bound to cause an accident.

Mr. Mike Westlund, 314 Greenland Drive, Lancaster, PA 17602, stated his concerns and how the trucks are a safety issue for school buses.

Ms. Jean Bickmire introduced herself and presented the Board with photos of the trucks parked.

Mr. Shertzer mentioned that at one time, trucks would park in the Kmart parking lot and was wondering if anyone knew if they are no longer allowed to park there or do these trucks belong to residents of the developments.

A gentleman in the audience stated that he checked with Kmart to see if they had any problems with allowing trucks to park in their parking lot. They were OK with it. He stated that all six of these trucks belong to residents of Dohner Farms.

Mr. Darel Pack, 315 Greenland Drive, Lancaster, PA 17602, stated that there was a tanker truck leaking oil and it was running down the road. He talked to the driver of the truck and he said he didn't care. He also mentioned how the trucks are parked right behind resident's bedroom window and the noise they make when starting them up and leaving them run at 2:00 or 3:00 in the morning.

Mr. Hutchison stated that Lt. Eachus of the East Lampeter Township Police did go out to the area and took some measurements to see what restrictions they can put on parking along that area. The next step would be to develop an ordinance to restrict parking along S. Oakview Road, advertise the ordinance, and have the Board adopt it at a public meeting. Staff will determine an appropriate course of action that will likely lead to posting the area as a no parking area for trucks. If it is determined that posting no parking signs is the best solution, it may take about a month and a half or two to actually get to the point of posting signs along this area.

c. Revised Non Preference Towing Policy

Mr. Hutchison explained that the Board adopted a Non Preference Towing Policy a couple of years ago. Since operating under this policy, Chief Bowman has run into a couple of areas of concern that motivated him to rewrite the policy. The primary change is that there was an operator attempting to work under two different names and therefore was on the non preference list under both names even though it was one business. It also puts a limit on approval to five years and has to be renewed every five years.

Chairman Buckwalter asked if this revision had gone out to the towers on the list.

Mr. Hutchison responded yes and that Chief Bowman has been communicating with all the tow companies on the list.

Mr. Shertzer made a motion to adopt the revised East Lampeter Township Non Preference Towing Policy. The motion was seconded by Mr. Landis and passed by unanimous voice vote.

d. Resolution to Authorize Submission of Grant Application to DCNR

Mr. Hutchison explained that the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) has a program that makes funds available for various types of park projects. There is funding round coming up with applications being due on April 10, 2013. Mr. Hutchison has been in communication with the owner, which is actually in an estate currently, of the property at 2557 Old Philadelphia Pike. This property was once used as a flea market and is mainly in flood plain. The property is currently up for sale and staff feels that it would be a good property for the Township to acquire for non or low activity types of recreation, conservation and other stream improvements. If we are successful with the application, it would pay up to fifty percent (50%) of the acquisition and due diligence and settlement cost associated with the acquisition. The Township has been in conversation with the attorney representing the estate with a proposed purchase agreement, but have not received a signature on that agreement yet. The discussions are favorable though.

A motion was made by Mr. Shertzer to adopt the resolution to authorize submission of the grant application to DCNR. The motion was seconded by Mr. Blowers and passed by unanimous voice vote.

Public Comment:

Mrs. Diane Giles, 2460 New Holland Pike, Lancaster, PA 17601, introduced herself as representing the Conestoga Valley Community Center (CVCC). She gave an update of the business plan and stated that the strategic planning committee has agreed to extend their terms to the end of 2013. They are planning on holding youth fitness classes in the parks in East Lampeter Township, Upper Leacock Township, and East Earl Township. They are also considering holding a mini Frisbee golf event at the Community Park on Father's Day weekend. The Summer Rec program will be held at Fritz Elementary starting on July 15, 2013 for two (2) weeks and will run Monday through Thursday. Mr. Blowers suggested contacting Mr. Hutchison about helping out with some publicity in the Township newsletter.

Mr. John W. Kreider, 2566 Old Philadelphia Pike, Bird-in-Hand, PA 17505, representing Smoketown Veterinary Hospital asked about the note that was put on the final lot add-on plan. Mr. Hutchison responded that what was put on the plan was a non standard note that was worded exactly as the comment on the letter from the Township engineer, David Miller Associates. Mr. Kreider read the note that stated that in the event sidewalks are installed along Old Philadelphia Pike as a regional improvement project, the owner of these two (2) lots will be responsible for the installation along the road frontage. He feels that this is not a regional improvement project when the Township is only requesting a certain number of property owners to install sidewalks. There was a lengthy discussion about this matter.

Ms. Brenda Carson, 283 Greenland Drive, Lancaster, PA 17602, introduced herself as representing East Point. She would like to know if there could be a survey done in regards to traffic traveling east on Rt. 30 stopping in the middle of the intersection and blocking it. When traffic on Oakview Road gets the green light, they can't get through the intersection because of this. Mr. Hutchison stated it is a matter of drivers

being courteous enough to stop if they can see that they can't get through the entire intersection before the light turns red. Mr. Hutchison stated that there are signs telling motorists to not block the intersection.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Mr. Eberly and seconded by Mr. Blowers to adjourn the meeting. The motion was passed by unanimous voice vote. The next regularly scheduled meeting is to be held on Tuesday, April 16, 2013 beginning at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ralph Hutchison
Township Manager