

West Deer Township
Board of Supervisors
May 2, 2012
7:30 p.m.

The West Deer Township Board of Supervisors held their Regular Business Meeting at the West Deer Township Municipal Building. Members present: Shirley Hollibaugh, Chairwoman; Tracy A. Adamik, Richard W. DiSanti, Jr., Jeffrey D. Fleming, Rick W. Florentine, Lawrence K. McManus, and Gerry Vaerewyck. Also present were: Daniel J. Mator, Jr., Township Manager; Barb Nardis, Finance Officer; Douglas I. Happel, Township Solicitor, and Scott Shoup, Township Engineer.

Chairwoman Hollibaugh opened and welcomed everyone to the meeting.
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Roll Call taken by Mr. Mator -- Quorum present.

Chairwoman Hollibaugh announced the Board held an Executive Session prior to the meeting to discuss legal and personnel issues. Mrs. Hollibaugh also announced the Board held an Executive Session on Monday, April 23rd with the Deer Lakes School Board to discuss legal issues.

REGISTERED COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

None.

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Chairwoman Hollibaugh asked if there were any comments on the agenda and public-related items and if so, asked the public to please approach the microphone, clearly state their name and address, and limit their comments to five (5) minutes.

None.

FEE SCHEDULE/RESOLUTION NO. 2012-6:

Township of West Deer
Allegheny County, PA
Resolution No. 2012-6
A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING VARIOUS TOWNSHIP FEES

MOTION BY Supervisor DiSanti and SECONDED BY Supervisor Florentine to adopt Resolution No. 2012-6 establishing various Township fees which will include the following changes. Supervisor Vaerewyck questioned what the changes were.

Supervisor DiSanti AMENDED the motion to adopt Resolution No. 2012-6 establishing the various Township fees without changes. Supervisor Florentine SECONDED.

Supervisor Vaerewyck informed the Board he is vehemently against the Impact Fees and he would like to eliminate the fee completely for various reasons. And also feels the fee should be part of the building permit fee to eliminate the long term tracking of the fees.

Supervisor DiSanti commented on the potential growth of the Township and road improvements and feels the Board should adopt the Impact Fees.

The Board further discussed the use of the Impact Fees in the specific zones for transportation, lighting, road improvement, etc.

Mr. Happel commented and explained the Ordinance which calculates the fees that the Advisory Committee approved and Mr. Happel does not feel the Board should change what was presented based on those calculations. Supervisor Adamik questioned the ability to change the fees and would like to assess the Impact Fees but reduce the recreation fee. Supervisor Adamik expressed his concerns that no one will move into the Township with all of the various fees.

After further discussion, a roll call vote was taken on the MOTION by Supervisor DiSanti and SECONDED by Supervisor Florentine to adopt Resolution No. 2012-6 establishing the various Township fees without changes. Members voting yes, Mr. Florentine, Mr. McManus, Dr. DiSanti, Mr. Fleming, and Mrs. Hollibaugh. Members voting no, Mr. Vaerewyck and Mr. Adamik. Motion carried, 5-yes and 2-no.

NORTH HILLS COG REPORT:

No meeting held.

COMMITTEE UPDATES:

At this time, each Committee Chairperson reported on their Committee updates:

- 1) Mr. Vaerewyck – Public Safety Committee
- 2) Mr. McManus – Planning, Zoning, & Code Enforcement Committee
- 3) Dr. DiSanti – Economic Development Committee
- 4) Mr. Adamik – Engineering & Public Works Committee
- 5) Mr. Fleming – Parks & Recreation Committee.
- 6) Mr. Florentine – Intergovernmental Relations, IT, & Communication Committee
- 7) Mrs. Hollibaugh – Financial Legal, and Human Resources Committee

PEOPLES TWP. LLC/Gas lines Russellton No. 2 area:

Mr. Mator read the following letter dated May 1, 2012 from the Peoples TWP., LLC:

Peoples TWP LLC (“Peoples TWP”) received a request for natural gas service from a group of homeowners in West Deer Township. The project is known as the “Russellton Project”. Peoples TWP has provided the homeowner group with a proposal to extend service, which requires the homeowner group to contribute \$14,094.00 to the project. The proposed installation would require the installation of approximately 3,135 feet of mainline on McArthur, Patton & Eisenhower Drives to serve approximately 40 customers. Please note, mainline will not be installed to serve homeowners on Battan & 3rd Way as no interest has been expressed by them at this time.

Peoples TWP is also aware that West Deer Township has plans to pave some or all of the streets in the area. Should the homeowners elect to proceed with the project and provide the necessary contribution, Peoples TWP is prepared to coordinate and cooperate with West Deer Township to install the gas line prior to paving. The contribution required on the part of the homeowners reflects the elimination of restoration at the site, as installation of Peoples TWP mainline will be done prior to the new paving.

The Board held a lengthy discussion on this issue.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Supervisor Adamik addressed the microphone/speakers for the sound system in the meeting room.
- Supervisor Fleming commented on the much needed street light at 910 & Oak Road.

NEW BUSINESS:

- More discussion was held on the gas line and Mr. Mator was directed to send the homeowners/residents a letter explaining both the Road Project and the Gas Line Project in the Russellton No. 2 area.

SET AGENDA/May 16, 2012:

6:30 p.m. -- Executive Session

7:30 p.m. -- Regular Business Meeting

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Executive Session Held
5. Registered Comments from the Public
6. Comments from the Public
7. Accept minutes
8. Monthly Financial Report
 - A. Treasurer's Report
 - B. List of Bills
 - C. Utilities & Payroll
9. Code Enforcement Officer's Report
10. Police Chief's Report
11. Report from the Parks & Recreation Board
12. Engineer's Report
13. Ordinance No. 392/Restatement Police Pension Plan
14. Ordinance No. 393Restatement Employees Pension Plan
15. Hire Part Time Police Officer
16. Old Business
17. New Business
18. Set Agenda/June 6, 2012
19. Comments from the Public
20. Adjournment

DISCUSSION:

- Henry Road Waterline Project.
- Sink holes from water line repairs are at Little Deer Creek Valley Road near the Knights of Columbus building, McKrell Road near Marshall Street, Saxonburg Boulevard near the Pit Stop, and Hemlock Street.

COMMENTS +FROM THE PUBLIC:

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- Mr. Earl Fish, 6 Aber Road, commented on the utility companies need to repair the roads that have been worked on.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mrs. Hollibaugh announced the Board will hold an Executive Session after the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

Daniel J. Mator, Jr., Township Manager