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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WORKSHOP SESSION

MARCH 11, 2009
6:00 PM

The Silver Spring Township Board of Supervisors met in a workshop session on Wednesday, March 11, 2009 at the Township Building, 6475 Carlisle Pike, Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania.

Chairman LeBlanc called the Board of Supervisors meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

Supervisors present: Chairman Jan LeBlanc, Vice-Chairman Mary Lou Pierce-McLain, Supervisor Jackie Eakin, Supervisor Nancy Konhaus Griffie, and Supervisor Vince DiFilippo.

Staff members present: Ms. Terri A. Martini, Assistant Township Manager; Mr. Steve A. Stine, Esquire, Township Solicitor; Mr. Bony R. Dawood, PE, Township Engineer; Mr. James R. Sadler, Chief of Police; and Ms. Kathy K. Kramer, Assistant Secretary.

Others present:

Lionel Spenard	J. Funkhouser
Tom Griffie	Wayne Stevenson
C. J. Bouchat	Byrd Troutman
Nate Spade	Kurt Minnich
John Murphy	Todd Biddle
Leroy Kline	Eric Clancy
Larry Lawyer	Troy Truax
FFA Members from CV	

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman LeBlanc announced that an Executive Session was held immediately prior to this meeting to discuss personnel matters.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

TREASURER REPORT

Ms. Kathy Kramer gave the Treasurer's report for the month of January 2009 and by agreement the report was filed subject to audit.

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LOCAL ECONOMIC
REVITALIZATION TAX
ASSISTANCE (LERTA) –
ORDINANCE
NO. 6 of 2009 – DECISION

On a DiFilippo/Griffie motion, the Board of Supervisors denied the Local Economic Revitalization Tax Assistance (LERTA) – Ordinance No. 6 of 2009.

The motion for denial carried.

114 ASSOCIATES,
LD2009-1-P – TRAFFIC
DISCUSSION

Mr. John Murphy, Alpha Consulting, Inc. discussed the proposed roadway configurations at the intersection of Village Road, Cedar Road, and Hogestown Road with the Board of Supervisors. Mr. Murphy explained that Village Road will remain the same but Cedar Road is proposed to be reconfigured to Hogestown Road and will have a right turn only onto the Carlisle Pike. The Chairman requested the engineer to develop some alternative plans.

HEALTH BENEFIT
EXPENDITURES–
FEBRUARY 2009

On a Pierce-McLain/Eakin motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the health benefit expenditures for February 2009.

The motion carried.

COMCAST CABLE
FRANCHISE AGREEMENT

On an Eakin/Pierce-McLain motion, the Board of Supervisors approved participation in Capital Regional Council of Governments Comcast negotiations and acknowledged an approximate cost of \$3,150.

The motion carried.

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POLICE DEPARTMENT – COMPUTER REPLACEMENT

On a Pierce-McLain/DiFilippo motion, the Board of Supervisors authorized the purchase of 3 desktop computers with a 3-year warranty, not to exceed \$4,125, and to continue with Kasual Computing, Inc. as our current maintenance vendor.

The motion carried.

POLICE DONATIONS ACCOUNT – CHANGE IN DESCRIPTION

On a Pierce-McLain/Griffie motion, the Board of Supervisors authorized changing the description of the Police Donations account from “K9 Dog and Equipment” to Police Donations to “Purchase Designated Items”.

The motion carried.

LAW ENFORCEMENT GRANT FROM TARGET

On a Pierce-McLain/DiFilippo motion, the Board of Supervisors authorized staff to apply for a Law Enforcement Grant from Target to be used to fund the Kid ID Program.

The motion carried.

ORDINANCE REVISIONS

The Board discussed the suggested changes to the Zoning Ordinance, Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance, and Stormwater Management Ordinance. Due to a few questions and changes suggested by the Board, this matter was deferred to the March 25, 2009 meeting.

It was also suggested that the Township consider updating the Comprehensive Plan.

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ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY PROGRAM – SUN MOTOR CARS

On a Pierce-McLain/DiFilippo motion, the Board of Supervisors recognized Sun Motor Cars as a participant in the Adopt-a-Highway Program for a portion of Commerce Drive.

The motion carried.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY THANKS PROGRAM

On a Pierce-McLain/Eakin motion, the Board of Supervisors approved participation in the Cumberland County THANKS Program and to offer to Silver Spring Township emergency service volunteers the Township discounts identified in the February 12, 2009 memorandum.

The motion carried.

SILVER SPRING SQUARE, LD2005-9F – LETTER OF CREDIT REDUCTION REQUEST

Letter of Credit Reduction Request

On an Eakin/Griffie motion, the Board of Supervisors approved a reduction in the Letter of Credit to a balance of \$1,491,289 for the Silver Spring Square, final land development plan, LD2005-9F.

The motion carried.

Entrance Wall Selection

By general consensus, the Board of Supervisors agreed on selection number 3 (that closest to Target) for the wall choice for the center's entrance at Silver Spring Square.

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VETERAN MEMORIAL COMMITTEE PRESENTATION

Mr. Clarence Bouchat gave a summary of the Veteran Memorial Committee's Request for Design Proposals to the Board for its consideration.

On a DiFilippo/Pierce-McLain motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the Veteran Memorial Committee's Request for Design Proposals.

The motion carried.

LIAISON/PRIORITY REPORTS

Supervisor Griffie reported that K-9 Bruder finished one week of training with Officer Jenkins. Chili's Restaurant had a fundraiser for the Township's dog and donated \$149 for the K-9 Fund. Supervisor Griffie mentioned that Corporal Lindsay is attending a drug training program at his own expense. Supervisor Griffie reported that the Recreation Department has a variety of classes being offered. Supervisor Griffie mentioned that the Silver Spring Youth Baseball wants to share their concerns with the Board regarding the schedule of progress for upgrading the fields at Stony Ridge Park. She also added that Mr. Jeff Williams attended a 2 day conference at his own expense. Supervisor Griffie questioned the Board if the Township is interested in applying for a Community Oriented Police grant that defrays the cost of new hires for a period of time. Supervisor Griffie reported that the Growing Greener/Land Preservation Committee invited Ms. Karen Best to speak about the Huston Mill Project and New Kingstown Vision members to speak about the history of New Kingstown.

Supervisor Eakin reported the Zoning Hearing Board approved the 114 Associates application for the 15 foot landscaping strip variance. Supervisor Eakin advised that the Silver Spring Township Authority's Waste Water Treatment plant expansion will be partially operational on April 1, 2009. Also, the 3% sewer rate increase will begin on the second quarter invoices and will be retroactive to the beginning of the year. Cumberland County Municipal Advisory Board and Cumberland County Economic Development are sponsoring a Seminar on March 25, 2009 at 7:30 PM. Seminars for Planning Commission and Zoning Hearing Board members are being offered at Business Central.

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Supervisor Pierce-McLain reported that Cumberland County Outreach group discussed a tree vitalization grant program. She also mentioned that there will be an Appalachian Trail workshop on March 24, 2009. Supervisor Pierce-McLain reported the Emergency Management Council wanted to remind developers they must include pre-empt devices on any new traffic lights. There is a hold on the heat/smoke ordinance until the new building code is made available. Also, Rich Valley Road Bridge will be closed starting on March 16 until August 24, 2009.

Supervisor DiFilippo reported that the Business Advisory is hosting a Meet the Candidates night on April 14, 2009 at 7:00 pm. The Committee is also working on a new business welcome kit. Supervisor DiFilippo reported that the Planning Commission recommended the denial of the Gilligan's West and Bent Creek Square land development plan. The County Ag Preservation Board reported there are 46 farms on the waiting list although there is funding for only 3 easement purchases.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Ms. Terri Martini, Assistant Township Manager gave the following Manager's Report:

The on-lot septic letters will be mailed to the homeowners and septic tank haulers. All announcements regarding the various committee activities have been posted on the Township website and will appear in the upcoming newsletter.

By general consensus, the Board agreed to cancel the Penn PRIME Workers' Compensation Grant for the AED and to recognize the Lehmans for their generous donation of this equipment at the March 25th meeting.

OTHER PERTINENT BUSINESS

Supervisor LeBlanc acknowledged the Cumberland Valley's Future Farmers of America for attending the meeting.

Mr. Wayne Stevenson, a Township business owner, questioned the status of the Texaco/Hogestown Road project. Mr. Dawood replied that we are waiting for PennDOT to issue the permit. Mr. Stevenson mentioned that there are two culverts on Hempt Road that soon need to be replaced. Mr. Dawood advised that upon receipt of the permit, a schedule could be recommended to the Board.

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On an Eakin/Pierce-McLain motion, the Board of Supervisors appointed Mr. Bud Engle and Mr. Richard Maffett as Alternate Zoning Hearing Board Members.

The motion carried.

Supervisor DiFilippo was welcomed back to the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business or comments to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:21 pm on a Pierce-McLain/Eakin motion.

The motion carried.

Recorder: _____
Kathy Kramer

APPROVED: _____
Chairman

Secretary