

## **WARWICK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES**

**October 17, 2012**

Chairman W. Logan Myers convened the October 17, 2012 meeting of the Board of Supervisors at 7:00 p.m. Present were Supervisors W. Logan Myers, C. David Kramer, Herbert Flosdorf, Anthony Chivinski and Michael Vigunas. In attendance were Township Manager Daniel Zimmerman, Roadmaster Dean Saylor, Township Engineer Chuck Hess, Ben Ehrhart, and Dave Madary.

### **PRESENTATION OF MAPSHED RESULTS FOR THE LITITZ RUN, HAMMER CREEK, LITTLE CONESTOGA AND COCALICO CREEKS BY LANDSTUDIES, INC.:**

Ben Ehrhart, of LandStudies, Inc., explained that the information was prepared to address the Township's MS4 (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System) permit requirements. He explained that MS4 represents publicly-owned stormwater facilities. He explained that since a large portion of the Township is considered an urbanized area, Federal and State agencies require permitting of these facilities for stormwater outfalls. He explained that the Township Engineer is also working on the permit process which includes new components including TMDL (Total Maximum Daily Load) requirements. He stated that since the Lititz Run is considered an impaired watershed, a TMDL has been established. Ehrhart stated that the provisions also require a Chesapeake Bay Watershed Pollution Reduction Plan to address sediment and nutrients.

Ehrhart stated that the Township has been proactive in improving water quality. He stated that the Township Manager held a meeting a few months ago to discuss how the Township could quantify work that has been done within the Lititz Run Watershed. He stated that the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation provided a grant for the MapShed program.

Ehrhart provided a background on the State's TMDL classification of the Lititz Run and described the standards for addressing the TMDL. He stated that the proposal was to update the TMDL with 2012 documentation using the same program the State used to establish the original classification. He stated that the other watersheds included in the program do not have an established TMDL. He noted that they used the TMDL for the Lititz Run as the target for these other watersheds. He stated that the program compares data from 2004 and 2012 to verify stream improvements, and also to determine whether BMP measures have been sufficient to improve the stream. He explained that the data was run for all of the watersheds and the results have indicated that stormwater BMPs and Agricultural BMPs were successful in meeting the established TMDL for the Lititz Run Watershed. He outlined improvements such as riparian buffers, streambank restoration, and floodplain restoration that have been completed to improve the region's watersheds, which have actually resulted in an excess of reduction as required by the TMDL.

Ehrhart stated that the results also appear to address the requirements of a Chesapeake Bay Watershed Pollution Reduction Plan. He explained that the next step in the process is for Warwick Township and Lititz Borough to approve the draft TMDL update for Lititz Run, and the draft Impaired Waters Assessment. He stated that the information will be submitted to DEP for their review and evaluation. Flosdorf stated that in theory, the excess of reduction should result in credits that the municipalities could sell. Ehrhart stated that the comment is correct in theory and added that Penn Township and Manheim Township benefit from these results as well. He added that the credits can occur only within the watershed.

The Board commended Ehrhart for his work. The Board expressed concern that the Lititz Run has

not been declassified as impaired since its TMDL results are better than the model watershed that was used to establish the standards.

On a motion by Flosdorf, seconded by Vigunas, the Board voted unanimously to approve the draft MapShed modeling for the listed watersheds and to submit the data to PA DEP.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The Board reviewed the meeting minutes. On a motion by Kramer, seconded by Chivinski, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of the September 5, and September 19, 2012 meetings as submitted.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** The Board reviewed the Treasurer's Report. On a motion by Vigunas, seconded by Kramer, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Treasurer's Report as submitted.

**PAYMENT OF BILLS:** The Board reviewed the list of bills submitted for payment. On a motion by Chivinski, seconded by Kramer, the Board unanimously approved the payment of bills from the General Fund in the amount of \$360,218.85.

**TOWNSHIP MANAGER'S REPORT:** The Township Manager provided a status report on the Northern Lancaster County Regional Police Department. He stated that the preliminary police budget has been submitted. He noted that the 2013 budget includes the police pension and the radio system for the County.

The Township Manager provided a status report on WESA. He stated that a meeting with local employers is scheduled for October 23, 2012 to discuss options to assist with the volunteer efforts in this region.

The Township Manager provided a status report on the Strategic Plan. He stated that the next meeting, scheduled for October 18, 2012, will address the topic of infrastructure for the region.

The Township Manager provided a status report on the 6<sup>th</sup> Street extension. He explained that the project is underway and moving forward.

The Township Manager provided a status report on the 2013 budget. He explained that the budget meeting will be held on November 21, 2012 and noted that the meeting time was changed to 7:00 a.m.

The Township Manager provided information pertaining to the Firefighter Cancer Prevention Act. He explained that the State Act will result in higher worker's compensation premiums. In addition, two insurers have decided to drop worker's compensation coverage for unpaid firefighters. He explained that the Township has no information about the cost increase. He noted that the Township's cost for 2012 was \$7,000.00; however, no estimates have been provided for 2013.

The Board unanimously approved the Township Manager's Report.

**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT:** The Board reviewed the September, 2012 Tax Collector's report. On a motion by Vigunas, seconded by Kramer, the Board unanimously approved the Tax Collector's report.

**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT REPORT:** The Roadmaster presented a report that outlines the activities of the Public Works Department during September, 2012. The Board unanimously approved the Public Works Department Report.

**NORTHERN LANCASTER COUNTY REGIONAL POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT:** The Police Chief submitted a report that outlines the activities of the NLCRPD during September, 2012. The Board unanimously approved the NLCRPD Report.

**ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT:** The Code and Zoning Officer provided a report that outlines the Zoning/Building permits issued in September, 2012. He also provided a report outlining the cases heard by the Zoning Hearing Board at their September 12, 2012 meeting. The Board unanimously approved the Zoning Officer's Report.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** The Board received a letter of appreciation from the Lititz Public Library for Township's 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter contribution.

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**DISCUSSION ON THE WESA PROGRAM:** The Township Manager explained that at the last WESA meeting, the fire companies inquired who would oversee a hired full-time administrator. He noted that the issue will be further addressed.

**ATTENDANCE AT THE LANCASTER COUNTY SUPERVISOR'S ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONVENTION:** The Township Manager inquired which Supervisors will be available to attend the Lancaster County Supervisor's Association Annual Convention. Flosdorf, Chivinski, Kramer and Vigunas indicated that they will attend the convention. Myers indicated that he will be out of town.

**CONSIDER RESOLUTION #10-17-12-01 AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF TDRS TO PRESERVE THE J. MARVIN SHENK FARM:** The Board reviewed the resolution. The Township Manager explained that the preservation will contain approximately 100 acres, for which 50 TDRs are attributable. On a motion by Chivinski, seconded by Vigunas, the Board voted unanimously to adopt Resolution #10-17-12-01 as drafted.

**REVIEW SCHEDULE FOR THE HIGHLANDS DRIVE PROJECT:** The Township Manager presented the schedule for the completion of the Highlands Drive extension project. The Board commended the Township Engineer for their work on this project.

**ADJOURNMENT:** With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel L. Zimmerman  
Township Manager

