

West Earl Township Board of Supervisors, 157 West Metzler Road, Brownstown, PA 17508

In Attendance:

Chairman:	John Ford	Member:	Keith Kauffman
Member:	Richard Stover	Manager/Secretary:	Candie Johnson
Member:	Dave Thornton	Police Chief:	Brian Brandt

Vice Chairman Harold Keppley was absent.

Call to Order

Chairman Ford called the January 28, 2019 regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Moved by Member Stover, second by Member Thornton to approve the January 7, 2019 organizational meeting minutes as presented. Motion approved unanimously.

Public Comment/Guests

**Kevin Halbfoerster, PA Game Commission** – Mr. Halbfoerster was at the meeting to provide an update on the chronic wasting disease testing program and to express appreciation for allowing a collection bin to be placed on Township property. Mr. Halbfoerster said a total of 532 deer heads were collected from collection boxes, road kills and butcher shops, for testing. After answering several questions Mr. Halbfoerster thanked the Township for assisting in this program and presented a letter of appreciation and a framed wildlife print of whitetail deer.

New Business

1. **Ordinance #240** – To amend Chapter 184, Zoning, to revise regulations governing outdoor lighting. Moved by Member Kauffman, second by Member Thornton to adopt Ordinance #240. Motion approved unanimously.
2. **West Earl Police Contract 2019-2023** – Moved by Member Thornton, second by Member Stover to sign the 2019-2023 Police Contract. Motion approved unanimously.
3. **Eagle Disposal rate request** – Eagle Disposal has again requested that the recycling rate in the contract that West Earl has with Eagle Disposal be increased to match the current recycling rate from LCSWMA. Moved by Member Thornton, second by Member Stover to disapprove and decline Eagle Disposal's recycling rate change request. Motion approved unanimously.
4. **Marlee Properties, LLC 90-day extension** – Ms. Johnson reported that they are still waiting to get the highway occupancy permit from Penn Dot. Moved by member Kauffman, second by Member Thornton to accept the 90-day extension for the Marlee Properties, LLC project. Motion approved unanimously.
5. **314 Brethren Church Road trash exemption** – The Board requested additional information about this request. Ms. Johnson will report at the next meeting. Moved by Chairman Ford, second by Member Stover to table this matter until the next meeting. Motion approved unanimously.
6. **Resignation of Rick Weik** – Rick Weik has resigned from the West Earl Sewer Authority and the West Earl Zoning Hearing Board. Moved by Member Kauffman, second by Member Thornton to accept the resignation of Rick Weik. Motion approved unanimously.
7. **Resolution 2019-11 Hazard Mitigation Plan** – Moved by Member Stover, second by Member Kauffman to adopt Resolution 2019-11. Motion approved unanimously.
8. **902 Recycling Grant award** – Moved by Member Stover, second by Member Thornton to authorize the Township Manager to sign the \$350,000 902 recycling grant award. Motion approved unanimously.

9. **317 Willow Dell Lane trash exemption** – Moved by Chairman Ford, second by Member Kauffman to table this matter until the next meeting. Ford-yes, Kauffman-yes, Stover-yes, Thornton-no. Motion passed with a 3-1 vote.
10. **Make-a-Wish Mothers' Day Convoy** – Moved by Member Stover, second by Member Kauffman to approve the use of Township roads for the annual Make-a-Wish Mothers' Day convoy. Motion approved unanimously.
11. **Curvin Weaver agreements** – Moved by Chairman Ford, second by Member Kauffman to approve the Holding Tank and Stormwater Management Agreements for the Curvin Weaver project. Motion approved unanimously.

#### Manager's Report

- Zoning Officer's report for December 2018 was provided for the Board's review.
- Jon Balson, Vice Chairman of the Zoning Hearing Board, has recommended Rich Lucchese to fill the vacancy left by Rick Weik.
- **Community yard sale** – Ms. Johnson received a request from a resident who would like to use the park for a community yard sale in May. She said local churches and the fire company would also be involved. There was a consensus among the Board to allow the park to be used for the community yard sale.

#### Police Chief's Report

- **West Farmersville Road bridge project** – Chief Brandt said that there will be a detour down Locust Street during this bridge replacement project. The Chief said they will be doing some extra traffic monitoring on Locust street because of the increased traffic.

Chief Brandt requested an executive session at the end of the regular meeting to discuss a personnel matter.

#### Payment of Bills

Moved by Member Thornton, second by Member Stover to pay the bills as presented. Motion approved unanimously.

#### Supervisors' Comments

**John Ford** – Chairman Ford said that the "West Earl" sign along RT 272, near Sandy Beach, need to be replaced.

The Board took a brief recess at 7:51 p.m. and then entered executive session at 7:56 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 8:15 p.m.

Moved by Chairman Ford, second by Member Kauffman to increase Chief Brian Brandt's salary to \$83,676, commensurate with the signed police contract, retroactive to January 1, 2019, further extending the agreement through May 31, 2019. Motion approved unanimously.

#### Adjournment

Moved by Member Thornton, second by Member Kauffman to adjourn the January 28, 2019 regular meeting at 8:23 p.m. Motion approved unanimously.