

**Cumberland Township Board of Supervisors
December 6, 2012 Workshop Minutes**

Chairperson Underwood called the workshop to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Supervisors Ferranto, Waybright and Toddes; Township Manager Ben Thomas, Jr., Solicitor Sam Wiser, Police Chief Don Boehs, Assistant Secretary Carol Merryman, Zoning Officer Bill Naugle and Township Engineer Tim Knoebel. Others present were: Speros Marinos, Jim Paddock, Sherrin Poland, Amy Stansbury from the Evening Sun and Jenna Faust from The Gettysburg Times. Mr. Shealer was absent. The workshop was recorded.

Chairperson Underwood started the workshop with the Committee Reports to give Attorney Wiser time to arrive.

Committee Reports:

Planning/Zoning – Mr. Waybright reported that the Zoning Update Committee will be meeting again after the first of the year.

Public Safety – Executive Session needed.

Finance Committee – Mr. Thomas reported that the committee will soon be reviewing the November report and they will have recommendations for the Board at their December 18th meeting

Park and Rec – Mr. Toddes reported that they will be meeting with Gettysburg Borough representatives on the 12th and the John Eisenhower Bridge project has been completed.

Personnel – Mr. Thomas reported that the Township office will be closed between Christmas and New Year's Day and the staff will be checking messages and emails and coming in one day to complete 2012 transactions.

CTA – Mr. Thomas reported that they meet on Monday evening.

COG – Chair Underwood reported that joint purchasing packets will be going out via email January 2, 2013 and they will be using PENNBID as a tool and Mr. Thomas will be making a presentation at the next meeting.

ACTPO – Chair Underwood reported that a special meeting was held regarding changes brought about by the increased population in Adams County; specifically part of the Route 30 corridor that comes into the Township being designated as urbanized.

Economic Development – Chair Underwood reported that they will be meeting with Robin Fitzpatrick from the Adams County Economic Development in the New Year.

150th Commemoration – Mr. Ferranto reported on many of the activities that are being scheduled including re-enactments, musical events, parades and a calendar of all of the events can be seen on the Convention Bureau's website.

CT411 – Mr. Ferranto reported that he will be attending the GMA meeting on Monday; he attended an Earned Income Tax meeting and a meeting of the Adams County Tax Collection Committee. He reported that it will cost the Township \$57.32 for the committee's 2013 expenses. He also reported that the Adams County office has now opened at their new location on West Street in Gettysburg Borough and they are planning an Open House in 2013. He added that they hired auditors to audit for the next three years, elected officers for 2013 and their meetings will be scheduled for the even months. Chair Underwood reported that there is a public hearing on December 12th at 7:00 p.m. at the Ag Center regarding the Marsh and Rock Creek Critical Area Plan.

Engineer:

Mr. Knoebel handed out a report, dated December 6, 2012, regarding a request to release the performance bonding for the Patriot's Choice development located off of Biglerville Road. Mr. Knoebel reported that there is a punch list of items that need to be addressed and this probably will not be ready for action this month. He explained that the developer also has maintenance bonding that will be expiring in February, 2013. He reported that the detention basins will be dedicated to the Homeowner's Association and they are requiring something in writing from the HOA that they will be accepting the basins and one basin has been changed to remain wet and that does not conform to the plan.

Mr. Knoebel also reported that the Herr's Ridge Road project is substantially complete and the developer has requested a Certificate of Substantial Completion which memorializes a date that the work was substantially completed and sets forth any items or conditions that remain to be completed to fulfill the agreement. Mr. Knoebel presented a draft certificate for the Board's review and subsequent approval to issue to the developer. This will be placed on the meeting agenda.

Public Comment:

Ms. Sherrin Poland, representative from Greenmount Fire Company, asked the Board why there was no contribution for Greenmount included in the 2013 Preliminary Budget.

Mr. Speros Marinos, 912 Baltimore Pike, stated that he questions the Supervisors getting the health insurance benefits. He reiterated his opinion that the Township should hire full-time police officers instead of part-time police officers and that Cumberland's police officers are called into many other municipalities to assist other departments. He suggested that the COG look at this if it can. Lastly, he stated that he feels that the budget is well presented and thought out and he thanked the staff for that.

Manager Items:

Mr. Thomas reported that the public hearing that was scheduled for tonight regarding the vacation of a portion of Woodcrest Drive had to be postponed as the Township was awaiting the receipt of legal documents that we now have received so the hearing can be rescheduled. **Mr. Waybright made a motion authorize the advertisement of a public hearing to be held on January 22, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. regarding the vacation of a portion of Woodcrest Drive seconded by Mr. Ferranto and carried.**

Mr. Thomas reported that staff has not received any written questions regarding the 2013 Preliminary Budgets.

Mr. Thomas requested an Executive Session.

Solicitor:

Solicitor Wiser reported that he has researched the Comprehensive Plan and case law regarding the request received from Mr. Miller and Mr. Livelsberger regarding changing the zoning of five parcels located on Fairfield Road from Residential to Mixed-Use and prepared a memo. He reported that he has determined that such a change would constitute spot zoning. He added that if the applicants could get more of their neighboring property owners to go along with the change it may be more feasible and the Board could give this consideration in their future Comprehensive planning. **Mr. Waybright made a motion to direct the Manager to send a letter to the requesters explaining the legal issues seconded by Mr. Ferranto and carried.**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m. for an Executive Session with no report to follow.

Carol A. Merryman, Asst. Secretary

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