

**WARMINSTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2009**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Frank Feinberg, Chairman
Gail E. Johnson, Vice Chairman
Ellen S. Jarvis, Secretary
Fred L. Gold
Leo I. Quinn, III

STAFF PRESENT: Robert Tate, Township Manager/Treasurer
Barbara Sultzbach, Assistant Township Manager
Michael J. Savona, Esq., Township Solicitor
Craig D. Kennard, PE, Township Engineer (Gilmore & Associates)
Thomas Thern, Zoning Officer
James Krueger, Fire Marshal / L & I Director

CALL TO ORDER: The Public Meeting of the Warminster Township Board of Supervisors, held at the Township Building, 401 Gibson Avenue, Warminster, PA, was called to order at 7:05 P.M., by Chairman Frank Feinberg.

The **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** was led by Gail Johnson, followed by a moment of silence for our men and women in uniform around the world.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, CORRESPONDENCE, AWARDS

Frank Feinberg:

1. Makes a special announcement that Dee Young was moved from Doylestown Hospital and is now in Hospice.
2. Announces that an executive session was held before this evening's meeting to discuss the various labor contracts and personnel issues.

Ellen Jarvis:

1. Thanks everyone for their thoughts and prayers relative to her mother. Her mother has made a remarkable recovery after a brain stem stroke and five surgeries.
2. She extends a Happy Birthday to resident Florence Fox who is seated in the audience. She said Florence, who has shared many historical facts with the residents of Warminster, will celebrate her 60th birthday tomorrow.
3. She read the following prepared statement:

On February 17, 2009, the local political season officially began. On this date, those residents who have an interest in running for election began circulating nominating petitions. This year Warminster candidates are being sought for the following paid positions, whose terms expire at the end of this year:

- Warminster Board of Supervisors – the terms of Mr. Quinn and Mr. Gold expire at the end of the year.
- Centennial School Board – three seats are available – two (2) in Regions 1 and one (1) in Region 2. (Note: See correction made by Mr. Gold at the bottom of page 2)
- Tax Collector's term expires in December.
- One Auditor's term expires in December.
- The Constable's term also expires in December.
- There are also several paid positions available in local voting districts, for workers such as Judge of Elections and Inspectors.

Voters fill these positions by election in November.

To run for any of these offices serving Warminster, you must be 18 years or older and a Warminster resident for a least one year. Anyone can run...you do not need to be involved in the political parties. You do not need the local parties' endorsement. However, if you want the endorsement of either the Democratic or Republican Party, each has a procedure to follow. You should contact a local committeeman/committeewoman or the party chairperson.

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Ellen Jarvis: (Cont'd)

3. Prepared statement (Cont'd)

To run for elected office, you may pick up copies of nominating petitions at the Bucks County Courthouse in Doylestown or visit your political party headquarters which are both in Doylestown. Instructions for completing the petition are on the forms. Your petitions must be notarized and returned to the Courthouse by the filing deadline, on March 10, 2009.

Now, personally, I also knew the local election season began when Letters to the Editor began to appear in our local newspaper accusing the new Democratic majority on the Board of Supervisors of patronage. Nothing could be further from the truth. For Example:

- At the Reorganization Meeting on January 5, 2009, the Board of Supervisors made 28 appointments to the Townships 14 authorities, boards and commissions.

10 were Democrats – 2 were registered as Independents – 16 (or 70%) were Republicans.

Almost all were made by unanimous decision.

Prior to our swearing-in, Mr. Feinberg and I involved the two Republican Supervisors, as well as Mr. Johnson, in every Board and professional appointment made.

- On three of the Boards – that is, the Warminster Planning Commission, our Zoning Hearing Board, and the Warminster Municipal Authority – their members receive a small stipend for their service of approximately \$50.00 per attended meeting. Therefore, the total compensation each of these members receives is approximately \$1,000.00 per year.

To these paid Boards, this year, we named 2 Democrats and 1 Republican.

Contrary to what was printed in the newspaper, my husband did not receive one of these appointments, as his election was hopelessly deadlocked in a two-to-two tie. I recused myself from that vote so as not to convey any perception of impropriety.

The second hint that the local election season is upon us is the smears directed at me personally, in an attempt to discredit the Democratic Party.

- At the Supervisors' meeting two weeks ago, you heard from several members of the Board of my home neighborhood, the Villas at Five Ponds, that they object to my participation in a community website where dissent and dialogue are encouraged.
- My neighbors have used personal and private letters I have sent to vilify me personally. They have contorted my words and taken words out of context to portray me as a thoughtless evil-doer. They are shocked, for instance, that:

I called for a boycott of the advertisers in our community's newspaper because the private newsletter has slandered me and some of my neighbors. One of these advertisers is our own Five Ponds Golf Club.

While the other Supervisors may not agree with me, I do not believe township entities should be associating with a publication where it's editor and owner has slandered and name-called Warminster residents, and those residents have no opportunity for printed rebuttal.

I also refused to sign the check for this advertisement because it was made personally to this gentleman rather than through his home-based business.

This morning, I learned that anonymous copies of material that smear me personally were dropped off to one Warminster resident's home, in the hope that he would join in the election campaign tactics designed to secure November's elections for the Republicans. The work of a Supervisor is difficult enough without having to endure the underhanded tactics by long-term politicians. Warminster residents deserve better.

Fred Gold:

1. Provides correction regarding the three seats available on the Centennial School Board – Two (2) seats are available in Region 2 and one (1) in Region 3. Region 1 is Upper Southampton.

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Leo Quinn:

- 1. Warminster Rotary is organizing a Bowling Event to support the Skate Park over at Warminster Skate Spot on March 21, 2009 from 7:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M. Contact person is Warminster Rotary Member Joe Witiw. All information needed is on the website. To sponsor is \$125.00. A bowling lane is \$125.00 (up to 6 bowlers on a lane).**
- 2. Extends his thanks to the Warminster Rotary and says they are ordinary people doing extraordinary things reaching out to the youth of the community.**

Frank Feinberg: In April, Abington Hospital will be opening a Hospice Facility at the Warminster Campus on Newtown Road. They can accommodate nineteen (19) patients. They invite those interested to their "Open House" on March 18th & 19th from 3:30 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. This information will be put on our website.

FIRST PRESENTATION – Swearing in of two new officers

Lieutenant Dominic Varacallo is here this evening to acknowledge the about to be sworn in police officers (David Martin and Nathan Voytko) who on February 19, 2009 finished 22 weeks of police training at the Montgomery County Municipal Police Academy. He provides the Board with the following information:

David Martin – while at the academy

- **He was selected and served as the Class Captain for 26 other Cadets.**
- **He finished 5th overall in his class with a 94.9 grade point average.**
- **During firearms qualification he finished with a 91% earning him a Pistol Marksman.**

Nathan Voytko – while at the academy

- **He finished 2nd overall in his class with a 96.1 grade point average.**
- **During firearms qualification he finished with a 98% earning him a Pistol Expert.**

Both David and Nathan – while at the academy

- **Organized a fund raiser which raised \$8,600.00 (an academy high) donation for the FOP Survivors Fund which benefits the families of fallen police officers.**

David Martin and Nathan Voytko individually stated the following oath as administered by Chairman, Frank Feinberg:

I do solemnly swear and affirm that I will support, obey and defend the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and the Ordinances and Regulations of Warminster Township. I also swear that I will uphold obey and enforce the law without consideration to a persons race, color, sex, religious creed, sexual orientation, age, national origin, ancestry, handicap or disability. I will perform the duties of patrol officer in the Township of Warminster with fidelity and honor to the best of my ability so help me God.

Frank Feinberg:

- **Extends congratulation and best of luck to the newest members of the Warminster Township Police Department.**

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SECOND PRESENTATION – Nativity of Our Lord – Parking Lot Expansion - Waiver Request

In addition to the waiver requests, the Reverend Angelo Citino, Pastor at the Nativity of Our Lord Parish, is here this evening to express the parishes need for more parking spaces and present to the Board the proposed parking lot expansion plan to benefit all the parishioners.

- He says the parish has over 10,000 individuals which includes a large elderly population. On any given weekend three to four thousand people attend Mass.
- He says when Mass is in session on Saturday night or Sunday morning many parishioners park on the field (owned by the church) that is adjacent to the Church parking lot. They now enter and exit directly onto Street Road.
- He says it is a portion of this field that is the proposed site for the parking lot expansion plan. The following is being proposed:
 1. Proposed is to have 69 more parking spots. Of these 69 spots, 6 will be handicap spots located directly across from the handicap entrance on the side of the church.
 2. Proposed is to have the people enter into the existing parking lot and have an entrance in/out of this new parking area from church property. This alleviates the need to add another entrance from Street Road.
 3. Proposed is put a berm along Street Road with some landscaping. This eliminates access onto Street Road and enhances the view of the property.

Craig D. Kennard, PE:

- Says he has had the opportunity to talk with representative of the Applicant, Mr. Savona, and his staff.
- Says the Applicant did hire an engineer to provide an aerial plan with the overall concept of the parking lot.
- Says, the Applicant has identified the need to go to the Zoning Hearing Board.
- Says it is his recommendation, before the Board makes a decision, that they require his staff to do an engineering review to make sure there are no other zoning issues and possibly work out any engineering details with the Applicants engineer. When provided with more information, he suggests meeting with the Applicant and their engineer.

Michael J. Savona, Esq.:

- Says what is being proposed is the creation of a significant amount of impervious surface that brings with it all sorts of storm water issues. In areas like this, that is a significant concern.
- Says in looking over this request and discussing the matter with Mr. Kennard both agree that we really need a little more information than what we have been given to this point before we could recommend to the Board whether to turn down the waiver request and make the Applicant go through the land development process or whether the waiver would be appropriate.
- Says we don't want to jump to the wrong conclusions. He thinks it better at this point that the Board table the matter to provide the chance for Mr. Kennard to work with the Applicants engineer and if necessary sit down and talk to figure out what makes the most sense, keeping in mind that the Applicant is trying to minimize cost. At the same time we need to make sure the basics are covered.
- Says his recommendation to the Board is that the waiver request tonight be tabled. We will do some further review and bring the Applicant back on another evening.

<p>Gail Johnson made the motion to table the waiver request for the Nativity of our Lord Parish. The motion was 2nd by Ellen Jarvis. All are in favor. The motion is tabled.</p>

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THIRD PRESENTATION

Karen Whitney, Director - Parks and Recreation Department – is here this evening to seek the Boards approval to contract with Heritage Conservancy to assist Warminster Township in updating its Parks, Recreation and Open Space Program to address the requirements of the Bucks County Municipal Open Space Program at a cost of \$6,500.00.

- **She tells the Board that in order for the Township to be eligible for the Bucks County Open Space Municipal Grant Program certain pieces of our Open Space Plan must be updated by 2010.**
- **She says Heritage Conservancy was chosen because we have worked with this organization. They have assisted us in getting grant funding and are familiar with updating this type of plan.**
- **She says she has provided the Board with the Heritage Conservancy letter dated February 11, 2009 that outlines by chapter what the Township will do versus what they will do. This letter sent to her was written by two people that she has worked with in the past, Karen Williamson and Susan Myerov.**
- **She says that the Township has a permanent contract with Heritage Conservancy that was entered into eight years ago for about \$10,000.00 to do a series of different projects. We did not spend all that money and are looking to enter into a new contract with them.**
- **In closing she says if we do not move forward and update our plan we will miss out on the \$785,000.00 that is available to the Township.**

Gail Johnson: Is the money outside our Budget?

Karen Whitney: I can find money in my Budget. It is really important we get this done.

<p>Leo Quinn made the motion to contract with Heritage Conservancy in the amount of \$6,500.00 to assist the Township in updating the Parks, Recreation & Open Space Plan. The motion was 2nd by Fred Gold. The vote carried 5-0-0.</p>

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS -- (One motion to approve all items)

- A. Approval of the Minutes of February 12, 2009**
- B. Approval of Resolution 2009-04 – Wind Turbine Grant**

- D. Approval of payment to Blooming Glen Contractors for 2008 Road Program in the amount of \$26,606.96**
- E. Legal & Engineering Escrow Release for Franklin Corp Center – Lot 14**
 - **Harleysville Bank in the Amount of \$573.13**
 - **Kiddie Academy in the amount of \$63.97**
- F. Legal & Engineering Escrow Release for Evergreen Associates in the amount of \$4,439.24**

<p>Gail Johnson made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda Items A, B, D, E and F. The motion was 2nd by Ellen Jarvis. The vote carried 5-0-0.</p>

- C. Escrow Release to McGrath Homes for Villas at Five Ponds, Phase II in the amount of \$57,555.00**

Ellen Jarvis: I want to make it part of the record that I recuse myself in any matters dealing with the Villas at Five Ponds because of my residency in that association.

<p>Gail Johnson made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda Item C (escrow release Villas at Five Ponds, Phase II). The motion was 2nd by Leo Quinn. The vote carried 4-0-1 (Jarvis recused herself).</p>

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OLD BUSINESS

1. William Tennent High School – Land Development – Preliminary / Final

Michael J. Savona, Esq.: This is the time and place for the Application of William Tennent High School in the Centennial School District for the Preliminary / Final Land Development approval for the project located 433 Centennial Road, Tax Map Parcel Number 49-24-53-1, & 49-24-63.

In support of the Preliminary / Final approval for the William Tennent High School Project, the following representatives for the Centennial School District are here this evening:

**Victor Lasher (Director of Facilities, Centennial School District)
Mike Carr, Esq. (Eastburn & Gray)
Dan Mullen and Gregory J. Hucklebridge (Carroll Engineering)
Damion I. Spahr (Reynolds Construction Management)
Sandy M. Homel (Acting Superintendent of Schools)
Thomas Reinboth (Centennial School Board President)
Michael R. Preston (Burt, Hill)**

Victor Lasher, on behalf of the Centennial School District, provides the Board with a brief review of the William Tennent High School Project:

- He said there have only been minor changes to the project plan since their September 2008 Presentation to the Board. In December 2008 a favorable recommendation was received from the Planning Commission. Tonight's purpose is to seek the Preliminary / Final Approval from the Board of Supervisors.
- He said the project to the B Building entails renovations to the pool, gymnasium and auditorium and the new addition include classrooms and cafeteria. The B building will include about 409,000 square feet; currently it is about 370,000 square feet. The A Building will be demolished when the B Building project is done.
- He said a bus loop improvement put in a couple years ago did improve the traffic flow. There is no predicted or anticipated increase in enrollment therefore there will not be a change in the traffic pattern.
- He said this Project will have some significant improvements in as much as:
 - a) The new building will be ADA compliant.
 - b) The new building will meet current building codes.
 - c) The new building will have a sprinkler system.
 - d) The new building will provide a much better learning environment.
 - e) The new project will bring new improvements to the neighborhood.
 - f) The new project will include two (2) storm water basins. One is below the softball field and the other is below the field hockey field.
 - g) The new project will include removing the Driver Ed area of the black top (impervious surface) and put in its place a new field hockey field.
- He noted some differences from the original sketch plan:
 - a) There will only be one field hockey field not two.
 - b) Parking coming in from Lily Road has been eliminated.
 - c) Parking is only coming from Colonial Road. This keeps the cars off the street.
- He extends his thanks and appreciation to Gilmore & Associates and the Township for the cooperation received. In the meetings they have been very communicative.
- He said it has been a good partnership between the School District and the Township which has been beneficial to the taxpayers of Warminster Township and the School District.

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Michael J. Savona, Esq.:

- With respect to the Zoning Ordinance, we will just state for the record that your engineers are satisfied and you have complied with all the current requirements of Warminster Township Zoning Ordinance and that you don't require any further zoning relief.

Michael J. Savona, Esq. reviews with Victor Lasher the conditions that are set forth in the Gilmore & Associates, engineering review letter dated February 20, 2009. The waiver requests from the Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance and the conditions are noted as follows:

1. Section 301.2 & 305.2 - To combine the Preliminary / Final Plan approval.

Victor Lasher: That is correct Craig D. Kennard, PE: I support that waiver.

2. Section 404.3.B & 406.3.B - the applicant (according to Mr. Kennard) is requesting a partial waiver from the requirement to provide existing features within 400 feet of the property.

Michael J. Savona, Esq.: Included as part of the record is the response letter to the "engineer's comments" from Carroll Engineering Corporation, dated February 24, 2009, signed by Gregory J. Hucklebridge that indicates you are going to comply with that requirement. So, you are no longer seeking a waiver and you will comply with all of the existing features within 400 feet?

Victor Lasher: No, what I mean by that is we will comply with the additional information requested for storm water offsite calculations.

Michael J. Savona, Esq.: So it is not a will comply, you are requesting a partial waiver to the extent deemed appropriate by the Township Engineer.

Victor Lasher: That is correct.

Michael J. Savona, Esq.: Mr. Lasher do you have any objections to providing the details necessary as determined by Mr. Kennard.

Victor Lasher: No.

3. Section 404.6 & 404.7 – The applicant is requesting a waiver from the requirement for a Traffic Impact Study and a waiver from the fee-in-lieu of the impact study which is typically associated with such a waiver. Mr. Kennard do you have comments in respect to that waiver request?

Craig D. Kennard, PE: Yes, I support that waiver based on the prior projects that have been waived before and in discussions with the staff, there are no traffic issues with this application. I would defer the fee determination to the Board of Supervisors.

Michael J. Savona, Esq.: Mr. Lasher, what are your reasons for requesting the fee waiver?

Victor Lasher: The existing driveways are to remain. The School District will continue to provide a crossing guard during peak use hours when school is in session. Previous projects which I just talked about, with the bus loop that was added and included site improvements, did not require a traffic study or fee-in-lieu of.

Michael J. Savona, Esq.: Our engineer is satisfied that the traffic study probably is not required. Is there any particular reason why you are seeking a waiver of a fee-in-lieu of that is customary to charge any land development applicant?

Victor Lasher: It would benefit the taxpayers of our School District.

Michael J. Savona, Esq.: Just for the record and for the Board. I have had conversations with Mr. VanLuvanee and Mr. Carr.... Mr. VanLuvanee and I have discussed since we have a number of waiver requests from the district as to the fee-in-lieu of tree replacement fee-in-lieu of traffic study and I believe although it is not stated in your letter you also are going to be seeking a broader waiver for some other fees for land development.

Mr. Lasher, is that correct?

Victor Lasher: That is correct.

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3. Section 404.6 & 404.7 – (Cont'd)

Michael J. Savona, Esq.: Mr. VanLuvanee and I have discussed this and I was going to recommend to the Board to grant a waiver to the extent deemed appropriate by the Township Engineer and myself. There were going to be some logistical issues to work out in terms of inspection costs and things like that and there are some other considerations that we are negotiating with the School District at this point. So as not to hold up the land development we are recommending that the Board grant the waiver as may be determined necessary by Mr. Kennard and myself and that enables us to grant a waiver to all, some or none of the fees depending on the circumstances.

Victor Lasher: We would be in agreement with a condition of that nature.

4. Section 406.5.A – Regarding the scale of the plans. Do you want to address that, Mr. Kennard?

Craig D. Kennard, PE: Yes, they are just asking for a waiver to use a different horizontal scale for the plan. It is a minor waiver request and we do support that waiver.

5. There is no number 5 on the Engineers Review Letter.

6. Section 510.4.B – The minimum width of a two-way driveway is 25 feet. Many of the proposed two-way driveways appear to be less than 25 feet wide. You have indicated you will comply with that Mr. Lasher?

Victor Lasher: Yes.

7. Section 511.2 – Regarding the parking lots and bays you are now requesting a partial waiver?

Victor Lasher: Yes. We are proposing a partial waiver request because the storm water would benefit by going a sheet flow across the end of the parking areas. There are two parking lots in question here. The one is the visitor parking area and other is the field hockey parking lot. The water would be able to sheet flow off the edge of the pavement into the grass and potentially infiltrate into the ground where it fell.

Craig D. Kennard, PE: I support that waiver. It is a benefit for the storm water management system design for this project.

8. Section 511.7 - Request for a partial waiver regarding the curve radius. Is that correct?

Victor Lasher: Yes.

Michael J. Savona, Esq.: The basis for the waiver?

We are seeking a partial waiver due to an existing non-conformity. The main entrance drive has a grass median whose width is too narrow to comply with the ordinance. The plans proposed an extension of this grass median. In order to maintain an equal width the curve must be constructed with the radii of less than the minimum required.

Michael J. Savona, Esq.: Mr. Kennard any objection to the waiver?

Craig D. Kennard, PE: No, I support that waiver.

9. Section 512.1 - Sidewalk widths should be dimensioned on the plans to verify compliance with this section. You have indicated that you will comply with the engineer's comments?

Victor Lasher: Yes.

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10. Section 517 – The Applicant should address the following grading issues:

- a) The proposed path of drainage toward Inlet-17 should be clarified.....
- b) Proposed grading near the bus loading area will require curb reveal up to one (1) foot in height....
- c) Proposed concrete curb near the southerly entrance to the building addition appears to be designed with no curb reveal based on the grade of existing pavement. The Applicant should specify where depressed curbs are proposed.....

Michael J. Savona, Esq.: You are indicating that you will be complying with those requirements as to the grading. As to all the sub comments the engineer has three (3) separate issues with the grading. You will comply with all of that?

Victor Lasher: Yes.

11. Section 519.2.G - You are requesting a partial waiver from the requirement to match crowns of pipes at storm inlets and manholes, which we support. Mr. Kennard do you support that waiver?

Craig D. Kennard, PE: I support that waiver.

12. Section 522 – With respect to the lighting issues raised by the engineer there are three (3) different issues raised in the review letter. Mr. Lasher, are you seeking any waivers or do you comply with those comments?

Victor Lasher: Yes. We will.

Michael J. Savona, Esq.: As to all the items raised in the engineering review?

Victor Lasher: Yes, we will.

13. Section 602.1 – You are requesting a waiver from the requirement to reduce the post-development 100-year design storm peak runoff rate to the pre-development 10 year design storm peak rate. Mr. Kennard, are you recommending that?

Craig D. Kennard, PE:

Yes, I support that waiver and we provide further detail in Section C – Storm Water Management Comments. In keeping with the prior design for the Storm Water Management system based on the Stadium and other projects, this would be in keeping with that design. I would support that waiver subject to the issues we raised in Section C.

Michael J. Savona, Esq.: Mr. Lasher are you going to seek any waivers for the Storm Water Management Comments, raised by the Engineer or will you comply?

Victor Lasher: We will comply.

Michael J. Savona, Esq.: If the waiver for section 602.1 is granted you will comply with all the issues raised by Mr. Kennard in Section C – Storm Water Management issues.

Victor Lasher: Yes we will.

14. Section 602.A.2 – Requesting a waiver from the side slope ratio requirement of 10 horizontal to 1 vertical (10H:1V) for the detention basins to permit 3H:1V slopes. Mr. Kennard your position on that waiver?

Craig D. Kennard, PE: I support that waiver. This will assist with reducing the impact on the existing fields. It is still in a safe condition to be mowed and maintained.

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15. Section 602.2.A.3 – The Applicant is requesting a waiver from the requirement to provide a basin bottom slope with a minimum grade of two (2) percent.

Craig D. Kennard, PE: I support that waiver as well. This is to promote infiltration and provide a better storm water management system.

Michael J. Savona, Esq.: Mr. Lasher we have already covered Storm Water Management Comments. The Engineer in his February 20, 2009 letter, the township engineer raises six (6) compliance points for modification to the plan. Do you intend to comply with all of those comments?

Victor Lasher: Yes we will.

ADA Accessibility Comments

Michael J. Savona, Esq.: There are three (3) items raised by the township engineer do you have any issues or do you intend to comply with all of those matters?

Victor Lasher: Yes we will comply.

General Comments

1. Tree Ordinance 609, Section 107.3

Michael J. Savona, Esq.: You are requesting a waiver from the requirement to provide a fee-in-lieu of planting replacement trees. Mr. Kennard for informational purposes has the Township calculated, based on the plan, the anticipated tree replacement fee at this juncture?

Craig D. Kennard, PE: Yes, we have preliminary numbers on that. The fee will be approximately \$41,000.00. Just to make note, that was based back in January, on that set of plans. It may change.

Michael J. Savona, Esq.: Mr. Carr, do you have any objection to imposing the same conditions with respect to that particular waiver request as we discussed for the traffic impact fee?

Mike Carr, Esq.: We don't. There are significant additional plantings shown and hopefully they will be taken into consideration when we are arriving at a resolution of that issue. Another factor is that the trees being removed are not of an important species large trees. Yes, that condition is acceptable.

2. Plan issues a., b., c., and d. should be addressed in the zoning requirements table.

Michael J. Savona, Esq.: The zoning requirements that Mr. Kennard is seeking with respect to items to be included in the zoning requirement table. Those I assume you will comply and modify the table, Mr. Lasher?

Victor Lasher: Yes

3. Lands between the existing legal right-of-way and the ultimate right-of-way to be offered to the Township should be shown on the final plans.

Michael J. Savona, Esq.: You will comply?

Victor Lasher: Yes we will comply.

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General Comments (Cont'd)

4. The demolition plan should be revised to clarify the extent of existing facilities to be removed...

Michael J. Savona, Esq.: Mr. Kennard do you have any other comments in regard to the demolition plan?

Craig D. Kennard, PE: It is just part of the construction and the demolition plan is a minor comment.

Michael J. Savona, Esq.: I assume that is a will comply?

Victor Lasher: Yes we will.

5. The Applicant is responsible for any other required approvals, permits, etc.

Michael J. Savona, Esq.: We are indicating that you will comply obviously with obtaining outside approvals for any other agencies that have jurisdiction.

Victor Lasher: Yes we will.

6. In order to help expedite the review process of the resubmission of the plan, the Applicant should submit a response letter, which addresses each of the above comments.

Michael J. Savona, Esq.: You did submit a response letter which we will constitute as your submission of a written list of waivers requested. You indicated that there were perhaps a couple of additional waivers you were requesting.

Victor Lasher: I think you covered them. Craig D. Kennard, PE: They were included.

Michael J. Savona, Esq.: They were all included? Victor Lasher: Yes

Notations:

1. As a formal request for purposes of the minutes, the exchange of conversation between the Solicitor and Mike Carr, Esq. (counsel for the Applicant) brought forth that the Applicant has a need for a broader range of waivers. In addition to the waiver for fee- in-lieu of tree replacement and traffic impact, waivers of fee-in-lieu of may appropriately be needed for building permits, escrow or other fees that may come up with this project. Mr. Carr expressed his willingness to discuss any or all such issues and to conform to the requirements as suggested by the Engineer and the Solicitor for Warminster Township.

It was determined by Mr. Savona that the requests for a waiver of any building permits fees, inspection fees, escrows or any other fees associated with this Land Development Application would be to the extent as recommended by himself and the Township Engineer; it would be part of the approval of this land development project.

2. As outlined in the February 24, 2009 of Carroll Engineering's response letter, the School District is requesting to start the construction of the tennis courts immediately following the school year. Craig D. Kennard, Township Engineer said that needs to happen before the rest of the construction can get started. He has indicated his support to move forward with that part of construction subject to their meeting all permits and approvals with the necessary agencies.

3. It is Gail Johnson's contention that this project is designed to substantially alleviate a lot of this property's storm water issues. Mr. Kennard agreed and said it is a result of over 5 acres of impervious surface being converted to pervious and the adherence to the storm water requirements. On the matter of the waiving of fees Mr. Johnson contends that this should not cost the Township any money.

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OLD BUSINESS (Cont'd)

1. William Tennent High School – Land Development – Preliminary / Final (Cont'd)

Notations: (Cont'd)

4. Leo Quinn express there were drainage issues in the area of the proposed new field hockey field. **Mr. Lasher** said there will be a big improvement with the removal of three (3+) plus acres of impervious surface plus the installation of the storm water retention basin. The water will be slowed down in that area.

On the matter of various interests expressed by **Mr. Quinn** the response by **Mr. Lasher** are noted as follows:

- There will be 21 parking spaces put in the hockey field area.
- Almost all games are played in the new Stadium. The hockey field is for practices.
- The practice football field will still be there. The band will practice on the baseball/softball fields.
- Presently there are three baseball diamonds. One of these will be moved approximately ten (10) feet and the other two (2) will stay in place.
- The new building is constructed to last. Construction concerns were addressed.

On the matter of being green (energy consumption) as expressed by **Mr. Quinn** the response by **Mr. Lasher** and Architect, **Michael Preston** is as follows:

- The Heat Pump System will be used for heating/cooling. It is efficient and allows the system to balance each other.
- Site lighting codes are now such that energy usage is dictated by code.
- Super efficient windows are being installed.
- Heat recovery, specifically from places like the swimming pool, saves a huge amount of energy.
- Use of new super efficient digital control systems.

5. Ellen Jarvis contends that in terms of traffic there are issues more than right in front of the school and provides examples. She wants to know has consideration been given to a broader traffic study. **Mr. Lasher** indicates that was not a consideration. The problem areas were dealt with in a manner that has actually helped.

On the matter of a Responsible Contractor Ordinance, **Mrs. Jarvis** after acknowledging **Thomas Reinboth**, President of the School Board asks if he would come forward. Dialogue on this subject ensued. **Mr. Reinboth** was asked if he would be interested in hearing from some of the people who provided the Township some testimony that may be relevant to the School District's project. He replied, absolutely.

Michael J. Savona, Esq. – Crafting of a Motion

- A motion is in order to approve the Preliminary / Final Land Development Application of the Centennial School District, for the William Tennent High School Project. Tax Map Parcel Number 49-24-53-1 & 49-24-63 subject to all of the waivers requested as discussed in our meeting this evening and is set forth in the minutes of this meeting.
- Subject to the compliance by the Applicant with all of the review comments of the township engineer from the Townships Engineer's Review Letter dated February 20, 2009 except as may be waived by the Board.
- Specifically the Board will be granting waivers from sections 301.2 & 305, 404.3.B & 406.3.B, 404.6 & 404.7, 406.5.A, 519.2.G, 602.1, 602.A.2 and 602.2.A.3.
- A financial waiver is deemed appropriate by the Township Engineer and the Township Solicitor from a fee-in-lieu of Traffic Impact Study, a fee-in-lieu of replacement of the trees and a waiver of the building permit fees, inspection fees and any other escrows or land development fees associated with the project and is required under the Subdivision Land Development Ordinance of Warminster Township, and

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1. William Tennent High School – Land Development – Preliminary / Final (Cont'd)

Michael J. Savona, Esq.: (Crafting of a Motion Cont'd)

- likewise subject to all the terms, conditions and provisions which will be set forth in an approval letter issued by my office subsequent to the Boards vote on this project, and
- finally subject to the Applicant obtaining any, all necessary outside approvals for any, all review agencies including but not limited to the Bucks County Planning Commission, Bucks County Conservation District, the PA Department of Environmental Protection, the Warminster Township Fire Marshal, the Warminster Municipal Authority and any other outside agency having jurisdiction in this matter.

<p>Gail Johnson so moved the motion for the approval of the Preliminary / Final Land Development Application of the Centennial School District, for the William Tennent High School Project as defined by Michael J. Savona, Esq., Township Solicitor. The motion was 2nd by Leo Quinn. The vote carried 5-0-0.</p>
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Michael J. Savona, Esq.: Mr. Carr, usually I get the approval letters out within fifteen (15) days. I would like an extension of up to thirty (30) days if necessary.

Mike Carr, Esq.: If you need it, that is fine.

2. Ratification of PBA – Four Year Contract 02-01-09 – 02-01-13

David Truelove – Labor Attorney

He acknowledges everyone that participated in the collective bargaining process. The members of the Board, the Township Manger, Chief Murphy, members of the bargaining team from the Police (John Schlotter), Public Works (Paul Lizzi, Sean Murray, Kenny Hauser) and WTEO (Mary Schultz, Joe Banks).

PBA (Police Benevolent Association) Contract

- Proposed length of time for the Police Contract is four years.
- Proposed wage increases are 3.75% each year.
- Modest increase in the longevity and educational incentive provision...
- Changes in the uniform and shoe reimbursement area.
- Pension revision remains essentially the same with some clarification in language.
- Medical Benefits - have reduced the back-end reimbursement from the current amount to one-half by the end of the contract.
- The twelve hour shifts have been maintained. This proves to be a good management technique to protect the citizens; it is also a good economic measure. It reduces a potential for overtime.
- The contract addresses the issue which is the accrued bank of time. The police union has agreed to put a cap on that time. It does require an initial pay out. Potential liability is substantially reduced which otherwise would face us down the road, in the next two or three years.

David Truelove – Labor Attorney

- He says we have tried to strike a balance recognizing the fact that the police are under increased pressure given the times.
- He says, there was a lot of give and take.
- He commends the police union for being fair participates in the process and commends the Township as well for doing the same.

<p>Fred Gold made the motion to approve the ratification of the four (4) year PBA contract. The motion was 2nd by Ellen Jarvis. The vote carried 5-0-0.</p>
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2. Ratification of PBA – Four Year Contract 02-11-09 – 01-31-13 (Cont'd)

DISCUSSION

Leo Quinn:

- Says he voted against the Budget for 2009. One of the reasons was because it was balanced by taking excess (surplus) money from the Storm Water Management Fund and transferring it to another. If we didn't have that money we would have been looking at a tax increase in 2009.
- Says he works for a company where he has got one raise in four years which works out to be point five (.5%) percent. The company is laying off 20% of its workers around the world and closing 25 factories.
- Says, salary is only one component of compensation. Everyone worked really hard with our Solicitor and I think there has been give and take on both sides. Looking at the overall cost to you, to us, and to the residents of Warminster Township, I think we ended up with a very fair offer to both parties so I will be in favor of this.

Ellen Jarvis:

- Says there is misrepresentation in how we balanced the budget. We moved millage from the Storm Water Fund to the General Fund. We did not move money. We moved millage rates.
- Says the previous administrations built up the Storm Water Fund by dumping into this fund excess amounts of millage. It was sitting there unused. We did not transfer money, we transferred millage and that is far different.
- Says as liaison to the police department, she congratulates the police department for being willing to come to the table with some fair offers. On both sides, the teams worked very hard.
- Says she thanks Mr. Truelove for his excellent work in getting us to this point. There are many Townships that have been unable to meet agreements and have gone to arbitration.
- She says, the agreement that we are reaching is a landmark for us. It shows the great respect our administration has for the police department and vice versa.
- She thanks the officers for their hard work and for keeping our Township a safe place to be; the Township is very proud to have them as employees.

3. Ratification of WTEO and AFSCME Contracts 01-01-09 – 12-31-11

David Truelove – Labor Attorney

- He says the WTEO (Warminster Township Employees Organization) and the Public Works (AFSCME - American Federation of State, County, and Municipality Employees) contracts are essentially in theory and in practice similar if not identical.
- Proposed length of time for the contracts is three (3) years with varying percentages depending on positions. The percentages average between 4% and 5%.
- He says found in both the Public Works and the WTEO unions were that the positions became almost personal to the individual defeating the purpose of a good staffing model. With a lot of give and take, we have come up with a way, in the next three years, to get the staffing model in line. The positions are to be targeted by positions as an objective process and not by the person. This gives the Township a much better staffing model and will benefit the employees as well when job positions do become open.
- He said job descriptions will be an important part of this contract.
- He notes that going into these contract negotiations with these two unions, both of which are AFSCME affiliates, we found that over the years the pay rates, on average, have lagged tremendously behind other municipalities. While they haven't caught up yet, we believe these are fair contracts.
- He said the contracts are fiscally responsible and over time gives the Township a great deal of management staffing control and a model for going forward.

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3. Ratification of WTEO and AFSCME Contracts 01-01-09 – 12-31-11 (Cont'd)

David Truelove - Labor Attorney: If the Board sees fit to pass the PBA contract tonight, Detective John Schlotter has with him the final version contract copy that can be signed this evening, after the meeting.

Frank Feinberg: All of the contracts are well within the allocated Budget for 2009 which was passed last year. Is that right Bob?
Bob Tate: That is correct.

WTEO Contract

Fred Gold made the motion to approve the ratification of the three (3) year WTEO contract. The motion was 2nd by Ellen Jarvis. The vote carried 5-0-0.

AFSCME Contract

Fred Gold made the motion to approve the ratification of the three (3) year AFSCME contract. The motion was 2nd by Gail Johnson. The vote carried 5-0-0.

PROFESSIONAL REPORTS

1. Manager's Report – Robert Tate, Township Manager

Administrative & Management

Information Technology

- We are moving forward with our accounting system upgrade. June 1, 2009 is the expected date for conversion.
- Talked to people at the Bucks County Planning Commission and Warminster can join in under a GIS Consortium to obtain GIS from the County. We spent the last 6 to 9 months interviewing three different companies that demonstrated their software system. We were looking at proposals in excess of \$50,000.00 for installation and up and running cost of a GIS System. We now have the opportunity by joining the GIS consortium where we can access a web based GIS and mapping system at a cost of \$2,000.00 per year. We will be looking at a demo plan soon. We are optimistic that it will move forward and the County has told me they expect all the interface and connections to be operational by late April or May.

Parks & Recreation

- Thanks everyone that helped in organizing the Basket Bingo. It will be held this weekend at Five Ponds Clubhouse. The event is sold out.
- Many thanks to the Ben Wilson Senior Center for helping in stuffing 5,000 eggs with candy for the Township's upcoming egg scramble on April 9, 2009.
- When the weather breaks construction will commence at Warminster Community Park on the labyrinth garden, Dog Park, maintenance facility and basketball courts. Funding for this is provided by a DCNR grant.

Public Works

- Extends thanks to Buddy & Craig who recently caught a beaver on the gold course. It was causing a significant amount of damage to many trees and plants.
- Public Works Crews are working on roads and pot holes. To report a location of a pot hole call 215-443-5414. The Crews are working in "winter mode" keeping an eye on the weather, salt supplies and brining supplies.
- In anticipation of spring, Public Works built a playground at the WREC to accommodate the summer camps.

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PROFESSIONAL REPORTS (Cont'd)

1. Manager's Report – Robert Tate, Township Manager (Cont'd)

Fire Marshal / Emergency Management

- Extends congratulations to the Fire Marshal's Office on being awarded a Risk Control Grant from Delaware Valley Insurance Trust in the amount of \$1,695.00. The grant will be used for the purchase of respiratory protection and gas monitoring equipment used primarily during fire investigations. The equipment protects the fire inspector when the environment is filled with dangerous by products of combustion, some of which are known cancer causing agents.
- The Library thanks Dan Laurich for his presentation on "Fire Safety" this week. Sixteen of a current staff of twenty-seven was able to attend the informative class.

License & Inspections

- L & I staff are working closely with McGrath Builders in finalizing inspections for the issuance of Use & Occupancy at the Villas at Five Ponds. At the beginning of the month ninety-four (94) of the two-hundred forty-four (244) units had U & O Certificates. In the last three (3) weeks forty-five units (45) were inspected by our staff and one-hundred five (105) remain to be inspected. Full U & O's should be issued over the next six to eight weeks.

Five Ponds Golf Course & Clubhouse

- The staff, at Five Ponds Clubhouse, has been keeping busy. During the month of February out of 28 days fourteen (14) was filled with events including the popular Valentine's dinner which was a four (4) course meal special attended by 105 people (residents from the Villas at Five Ponds). In addition to special events, bridal showers and baby showers, the staff also continues to provide the increasingly popular Fun Fridays Event (happy hour forum with music, drink and dinner specials from 5:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. each Friday).

Administration

- We did kick off the new program "Warminster-Your Township". We have had four (4) airings so far. In the next couple weeks we will be taping the next segment with me and Joe Alvarez' from the golf course. Interesting, informational and hopefully well received by the residents. We will proceed throughout the year and see how we do.

OTHER

1. Frank Feinberg said there was a nice article in the Intelligencer about Ed Calhoun (He is our own Cecil B. Demille).
2. Leo Quinn regarding the comment on the GIS Program:
 - a) He said that last Saturday at the BCATO (Bucks County Association of Township Officials) Conference one of the guest speakers who was from the County talked about the GIS Program. It was there that it was realized that this was an available program that we could piggy-back on.
 - b) He said it definitely paid for us to be at the BCATO event which provided information that will save the Township thousands of dollars. The GIS Program will be powerful tool for us at a fraction of the cost.

2. Engineer's Report – Craig D. Kennard, PE

General Township Projects

- Traffic Projects – The County Line Road Closed Loop System is under PennDot jurisdiction but we are still assisting the Township Public Works. The project is going smoothly.
- NPDES – MS 4 Report – We are working with Public Works and Park and WREC on the reporting. That has picked up and should be wrapped up within the next couple months to meet all the deadlines.
- 2008 Road Paving Program – As of tonight, the program is now closed out.
- 2009 Road Paving Program - This year the scope may reduce slightly because of the economic conditions. We are anxious to start early to take advantage of good bid prices.

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2. Engineer's Report – Craig D. Kennard, PE (Cont'd)

General Township Projects (Cont'd)

- **Zoning Ordinance – I will defer to Mr. Savona on the update but in conjunction with that we have started the Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance revisions as we take things out of the zoning ordinance and put them in subdivision land development ordinance. When you adopt a zoning and don't have that updated you're left without some regulation and you'll have some inconsistency between the two ordinances. Next month I'll report the status and target date. We will meet with staff and most likely piggy-back on the ordinance meeting.**
- **Warminster Community Park – DCNR Grant Implementation - we are assisting Park and WREC with the Warminster Community Park. The contract documents are being finalized. The start date was unavailable at the time of this report.**

Subdivision and Land Development Projects

We continue to see several reviews come in each month and a couple re-reviews have come in that have never made it to Planning Commission. They tried to address our issues, we had staff meetings and then they resubmitted. A few will be moving to construction.

- **Pohle Enterprises is now called Nina Way, LLC. I just approved today the escrow numbers and forwarded to Mr. Savona. Development Agreements and Mylar's will probably be seen in about two weeks. They are anxious to get started and we are working to accommodate them.**
- **County View Properties was granted the Preliminary / Final. This is a big project. There are several traffic issues that need to be worked out with PennDot and we are still working representing the Township on resolving those issues. The site design plans will be resubmitted and we will review those. Given the PennDot issues that were raised, it will be some time before we see that under construction.**
- **Super Value Beverage Bldg Addition was granted the Preliminary / Final. We are working with their engineer wrapping up permits and approvals. They are hoping to start construction within the next month.**
- **Anmar Electrical a new review that has just came back in. Today we set up a staff meeting to meet with their professionals and L & I.**
- **The CVS Pharmacy is a new review that has just came back in.**
- **H & P Investments II, LLC is a new review that has just came back in.**
- **Vertical Screen is a new review that has just came back in.**

Construction Projects

The construction project list is quite short. We have a lot of plans coming in. Some are just sitting there due to the economic situation.

- **Christ's Homes – We have had issues on Norristown Road. Unacceptable roadway conditions (e.g. pot holes). Occupancy permits were held up to get their attention and clean up the unsafe situation on Norristown Road. We did achieve that.**
- **McGrath Homes Phase II - This project is moving very smoothly. We had no issues out on site. The building construction continues.**
- **Anne's Choice has quieted down. We are still working on some issues.**

3. Solicitor's Report – Michael J. Savona, Esq.

Zoning Ordinance Revision

- **We are very close to having a final draft. We have a meeting scheduled next week with Lynn Bush. We are close to finishing our work on recommended uses for the various districts that are going to be contained under the Zoning Ordinance. We are near a final version of the Draft Map. By the end of March we expect to put together a presentation for the Board to introduce the new proposed map and proposed text to the ordinance that is being recommended by the drafting committee.**

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3. Solicitor's Report – Michael J. Savona, Esq.

Zoning Ordinance Revision (Cont'd)

- The work has begun on the Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance. The Comprehensive Plan, the Zoning Ordinance and the Subdivision Land Development Ordinance work in tandem. The Comprehensive Plan gets drafted first. The Zoning Ordinance and the Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance are the vehicle in which you implement the goals in that plan.
- Our Comprehensive Plan was done in 2004 and there has been a delay in changing the Zoning Ordinance and the Subdivision Land Development Ordinance. Mr. Kennard and I agree it is important to move forward with both of these ordinances at the same time.
- A lot of the regulations that are contained in the Zoning Ordinance now, we are moving out of the Zoning Ordinance into the Subdivision Land Development Ordinance. A lot of these relate to parking requirements and storm water management issues. We are bringing the ordinance up to speed to reflect a much easier path for the Board to consider these applications and make it user friendly.

Erickson Retirement Community – Anne's Choice – Veterans Way – Veterans Circle

- There may be a revised request for acceptance of the roads through Erikson.
- There are issues that Mr. Kennard and I have discussed with respect to the propriety of those requests. Pending a submission from either Mr. Pete Gebert or his attorney I will not comment any further because I don't precisely know what they are proposing. I expect to see something in the near future.

Petrucci - Transit Oriented Development

- I did receive today a final revised version of the Transit Oriented District (Development) Amendment being proposed by Petrucci. After my review I will ask Mr. Kennard to do the same. If appropriate, we can move forward. We are getting close to having a document that we could advertise for a hearing by the Board.

Codification of Ordinances

- This is still moving forward. I will be touching base with Mr. Tate to see where that stands. We have been at it for several months now and I still have not seen a draft. We should be near the point where we are ready to start reviewing a draft for finalization of the codification.

Other – not on report

- Warminster Township through the efforts of Mr. Tate will be joining two other local managers Ray Stepnoski, Middletown Township and Ted Taylor, Lower Southampton Township along with their Directors to attend a "Right to Know Law Seminar" given by my office free of charge for all the combined townships that I represent in Bucks County.
- This is a good opportunity for all the managers to get together in the same room and hear what I hope is a more comprehensive presentation regarding the Right to Know Act. That law is becoming interesting and very dynamic. Changes come down daily since the Office of Open Records was established in Harrisburg. They have issued a number of advisory opinions already and there have only been a handful of appeals filed.
- It is a lot different to deal with a right to know request now than what it was this time last year. We are hoping that all of the Clients, at least the ones I represent in Bucks County, can get together. We can all be on the same page and have an opportunity for some back and forth, ask some questions, get everybody familiar with the new rules and figure out how we are going to go about complying with the spirit of the law and keep ourselves out of trouble.

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FINANCE

1. Approval of Bill list for February 26, 2009

BILL LIST FOR THE PERIOD ENDING FEBRUARY 26, 2009

Prepays - \$121,439.64	
General Fund	\$ 249,140.29
Park & Recreation Fund	35,792.63
Storm Water Management Fund	1,479.02
Golf Fund	43,956.34
Highway Aid Fund	29,843.92
Legal & Engineering Escrows Fund	8,855.63
Payroll Date February 19, 2009	<u>251,074.68</u>
Grand Total	\$ 620,142.51
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<p>Ellen Jarvis so moved the motion to approve the Bill List for February 26, 2009. The motion was 2nd by Gail Johnson. The vote carried 4-0-1 (Quinn left room).</p>
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2. Approval of Transfers for January

Note: The transfers are the result of items paid for by the General Fund and allocated out to various funds such as payroll, public works allocations, fuel allocation, postage allocation and real estate tax allocations and escrows.

<p>Gail Johnson so moved the motion to approve the Transfers for January. The motion was 2nd by Ellen Jarvis. The vote carried 4-0-1 (Quinn left room).</p>
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OTHER BUSINESS

Leo Quinn:

- Says that he received a letter from a resident that suggests there is a timing problem with the updated traffic lights along Street Road.

Craig D. Kennard, PE:

- Says he was unaware of any problem but will talk to the traffic engineer and Pete Carter at Public Works.

Jim Krueger:

- Says there is a problem at Jacksonville and Street Roads where the controller cabinet was hit in front of the Sunoco Station. The Traffic Light is changing in twenty seconds to the east and west at high volume time in the evening.
- Says he doesn't know where it stands as far as the repair of that controller cabinet.
- Says we received the Street Road Corridor Study from the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission and forwarded a copy to the Township Engineer.
- Says the study contains recommendations to help move traffic along Street Road. This might be something we want to look at.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Florence Fox – Warminster

- She reminds Warminster residents that on March 8, 2009, Craven Hall will have their annual Open House.
- On a sad note she says the second twin baby passed away on February 17, 2009.

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PUBLIC COMMENT (Cont'd)

Michael (Mike) Maguire:

- He announces to the Board and the Warminster Community that in July 2008 a nonprofit corporation was set up called the "The Johnsville Centrifuge and Science Museum, Inc." whose purpose is to create a museum in the former dynamic flight simulator building known as the Human Centrifuge on the Naval Air Development Compound (NADC).
- He clarifies that this is not the same organization as "Freedom Way" or "The Ivyland Foundation". Freedom's Way is sponsoring sort of a corridor on the Ivyland/New Hope Railroad to tie in all historical sights and sponsor tours and such.
- He says The Johnsville Centrifuge and Science Museum is strictly a museum. This museum will have exhibits honoring the U.S. Space Program as well as the thirty-one scientific laboratories that once occupied that site. In conjuncture with that, they are going to sponsor many educational programs for local students to study and learn some of the work that was done there. There will be corresponding programs for groups such as scouts and senior citizens.
- He says an issue he would especially like to mention is that August 15, 2009 will be the 50th Anniversary of the Mercury Astronauts arrival here for their training. This is usually the time of year that we have Warminster Days. If that should happen this year, he would like to tie the two events together in the form of a celebration to honor that 50th Anniversary. It is thought that this could be a big national event which would include inviting the thirty-one astronauts that trained here in Warminster. He thinks this would be a big thing.
- He asks the Township for their assistance in this project. There may be issues with zoning to convert the building to museum standards and other varied issues.
- He says there is a planned inaugural event for April 23, 2009. An invitation will be sent to the Township Board of Supervisors and Managers and he would like them to come.
- He extends an open invitation to management to tour the facility anytime and hear their ideas.

Leo Quinn suggests that Mr. Maguire come to speak at the Warminster Rotary. Information was provided to Mr. Quinn.

AGENDA FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 2009

- An accommodation for a former member of the Traffic Safety Committee
- An approval for a letter of intent for the DCED to do a Regional Policing Study
- An authorization to advertise an amendment to an Ordinance for Contractor Licensing

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:50 P.M.

INDIVIDUAL ACTION ITEMS:

Craig D. Kennard, PE:

- Check with the traffic engineer and talk with Pete Carter at Public Works regarding timing of traffic lights along Street Road (per Leo Quinn - resident letter).
- Traffic Light problem at Jacksonville & Street Roads. Allows only 20 seconds before changing. Problem occurs east and west at the evening high volume hour (per Jim Krueger).
- The Street Road Corridor Study has recommendations to help move traffic along Street Rd., Mr. Krueger suggests this is something to look at.