



WEST ROCKHILL TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Meeting Agenda
January 16, 2019

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance *Please silence cell phones during the meeting*

1. Public Comments on Agenda items – *Please state name & address*

2. Announcements

- Executive Session to follow this evening's meeting

3. Consent Agenda

1. December 19, 2018 and January 7, 2019 Minutes
2. Wynn Plan Review Status & Escrow Release
3. Emergency Services Report
4. Building/Zoning & Building Permit Report
5. Public Works Report
6. Conservation Committee
7. Joint Recreation Authority
8. Planning Commission

4. Comprehensive Plan

- Bucks County Planning Commission

5. Confirmed Appointments

- David Collingwood – James House

6. Committee Reports

- Park & Recreation Report: Dave Reiss

7. Commission Reports

- Police Report: Chief Rod Blake

8. Tax Collector's Report: Suzanne Clarke

9. Engineer's Report: Steve Baluh, P.E.

10. Solicitor's Report: Mary Eberle, Esq.

- Resolution 2019- LD 605 Conditional Preliminary Approval

11. Township Manager's Report: Greg Lippincott

- Treasurers Report/ Payment of Bills
- PRA Sewer Extension Branch Road

12. Old Business

13. New Business

- Park & Rec - Budgeting

14. Public Comment - *Please state name & address*

Adjournment

**West Rockhill Township
Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes
January 16, 2019**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. at the West Rockhill Township building by Chair Don Duvall, who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Elected Officials *(Absentees noted with asterisk*)*

Chairman: Don Duvall
Vice Chairman: Jay Keyser
Member: Jim Miller
Tax Collector: Suzanne Clarke

Appointed Officials

Township Manager:	Greg Lippincott	Conservation Committee (CC): Don Duvall
Township Solicitor:	Mary Eberle	Park and Recreation (P&R): Dave Reiss
Township Engineer:	Steve Baluh	Joint Recreation Authority (JRA): Jim Miller
PRPD:	Officer Tim Maloney	Township Secretary: Judith Decker
Planning Commission:	Chris Derstine	

Visitors Registered

Michelle Naudascher, Ada Miller, Rupita Keti, Paul Roesener, Frank Szymendera, David Collingwood, Charles Sutherland, Anthony Boegner, Marilyn Vogel, Sue & Stewart Furlong, Margaret Fitzgerald, Cliff Cole, Shirley Mann, Ella Harwick, A. Mallozzi, Bob Strobel, Chris Derstine, Brian Landis, John Sweriduk, C. Shelly, Pamela West, S.A. Welsh, Megan Clemens, and Bob Keeler of the News Herald

Public Comments on Agenda Items

Cliff Cole asked if the Township had met with Adelphia. Mr. Duvall and Mr. Lippincott responded that the Township had met with Adelphia on December 17, 2018. A discussion ensued about the Adelphia Compressor Station.

Announcements

Mr. Duvall announced an Executive Session following the meeting regarding real estate and personnel.

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Mr. Keyser made a motion seconded by Mr. Miller and carried to approve the Consent Agenda.

Comprehensive Plan

Mike Roedig, Bucks County Planning Commission, gave a Power Point presentation highlighting the draft updated Comprehensive Plan. The Board thanked Mr. Roedig and the Comprehensive Plan Committee. Mr. Duvall made a motion to advertise the Comprehensive Plan seconded by Mr. Keyser and carried.

Confirmed Appointments

David Collingwood – James House

Mr. Collingwood submitted and read a statement citing maintenance issues with the James House since its vacancy 8 years ago and the attempts by the Historical Society to lease the house. Discussion ensued. BOS requested that the Historical Society submit a plan within 60 days.

Committee ReportsPark & Recreation Committee Report: Dave Reiss

New Chair Dave Reiss thanked Bob Strobel and announced Robbie Fischer as Vice Chair and Suzanne Clarke as Secretary. P&R will be working on the Veteran's Memorial and hold the Fishing Derby April 20, Movie Night August 24, and SeptemberFest on September 29. Mr. Reiss responded that the PLL batting cage would be fixed soon in response to a question from Mr. Miller. **Mr. Miller made a motion seconded by Mr. Keyser and carried to approve the Park & Recreation Report.**

Pennridge Regional Police Department (PRPD) Report: Tim Maloney

Officer Maloney gave the PRPD report. **Mr. Keyser made a motion to accept the Police Report seconded by Mr. Miller and carried.**

Tax Collector's Report: Suzanne Clarke

Mrs. Clarke presented the Tax Collectors report. **Mr. Miller made a motion seconded by Mr. Keyser and carried to approve the Tax Collector's Report.**

Engineer's Report: Steve Baluh, P.E. – no report

Mr. Keyser made a motion seconded by Mr. Miller and carried to approve the Engineer's Report.

Solicitor's Report: Mary Eberle, Esq.Resolution 2019-04 LD 605 Kratz Major Subdivision Conditional Preliminary Approval

Mrs. Eberle presented this resolution for consideration. **Mr. Miller made a motion seconded by Mr. Keyser and carried to approve Resolution 2019-04. Mr. Keyser made a motion seconded by Mr. Miller and carried to approve the Solicitor's Report.**

Manager's Report: Greg LippincottTreasurer's Report/Payment of Bills

Mr. Lippincott presented the Treasurer's Report, which is on file. **Mr. Miller made a motion seconded by Mr. Keyser and carried to approve the Treasurer's Report ending December 31, 2018, and to pay the bills as reported for December 13 through January 10, 2018, subject to Audit.**

Perkasie Regional Authority (PRA) – Branch Road Extension

Mr. Nick Fretz, PRA, requested a sewer line extension for 3 parcels on Branch Road and a mandatory connection; two had agreed to the fee. BOS asked the Manager to contact the third party, who has not responded.

Old BusinessAllentown Road Traffic Study

Mr. Miller provided the results the Penn DOT traffic study: trucks over 45' in length will be banned on Allentown Road from the Bucks/Lehigh County border to Ridge Road and signs will be installed.

Taping BOS Meetings

Mr. Miller reiterated the need to record BOS meetings, as residents currently do, to have an official copy. Mr. Keyser was not in favor as citizens are already taping. Mr. Duvall wanted more time for consideration. Mr. Miller also thought the lobby needed a camera with a cost of \$500 for 2 cameras.

New BusinessPark & Recreation Budgeting

Mr. Miller and the Manager asked that P&R provide a list of desired projects by September of each year.

Township Building Security

Mr. Miller proposed that the Township building be secured and suggested modifying the lobby with security cameras and an ADA compliant entryway. The Manager reported that he is getting quotes. Officer Maloney gave his opinion that all public buildings should have cameras and PRPD recommends the action.

Public Comment

Megan Clemens made a traffic complaint about Jim Miller on Thousand Acre Road addressed by Mr. Miller. Michelle Naudascher supported public sewer on Branch Road to enable her to sell her home.

Ada Miller asked what the plan was for the James house and barn if the Historical Society does not take it as she has security concerns. A long discussion ensued with BOS with no resolution.

Rupita Ketí, Philadelphia Clean Air Council, provided the Board and residents with handouts to assist resident's comments about the Adelpia Environmental Assessment. Mrs. Eberle stated that she would look at it.

Christine Shelly opposed Adelpia, supports an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and requested a WRT Ordinance regarding compressor stations addressed by Mrs. Eberle and the Manager.

Shirley Mann asked if WRT had requested an EIS and Mrs. Eberle responded yes. She wanted electric compressors rather than gas and Mr. Duvall concurred.

David Collingwood made further comments about the James Barn.

There being no further business, a motion for adjournment was made by Mr. Keyser seconded by Mr. Duvall and carried at 9:04 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Judith E. Decker
Secretary