

THORNBURY TOWNSHIP, CHESTER COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Work Session

MINUTES – January 12, 2010

The Thornbury Township Board of Supervisors work session was called to order at 6:09 p.m. in the Thornbury Township meeting room. In attendance were Supervisors: Mike Gast, Chairman; Robert Miller, Vice-Chairman, Ed Travis, Board member, Robert Anthony, Board member and Percy Neall, Board member. An executive session was held before the regularly scheduled work session to discuss real estate.

I. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Waln Run Park

Ed Travis noted that the Township has received grant monies from PECO, DCNR and Senator Pileggi. No money has been budgeted this year for development of the park. All required permits have been granted. A total of approximately \$159,000 has been spent on engineering for the park thus far. There is a three year window to spend the grant money to develop this park and we are now half way through that.

Ed Travis also noted that he had received an email from a local resident opposing the development of the park.

Options for the park were discussed. It could be left as open space, it could be sold, it could continue to be a park as it is, or the plan for the park could be executed.

B. Chester County Solid Waste Management Plan

Tabled

C. Squire Cheyney Farmhouse Disposition

Ed Travis noted that the Squire Cheyney Farm is now on the National Register of Historic Places.

Many discussions have been held about what to do with the house and the barn at meetings of the Board of Supervisors and the Historical Preservation Commission.

Concerns were voiced on what the structures would be used for and also whether the house and barn should be advertised for sale.

The Board should narrow the options and make a decision.

D. Salt Shed Location

Ed Travis gave a brief history of the salt shed building and its location. Discussions have been going on since 1994. Mike Conrad provided a plan of a salt shed for the Board's review.

Steve Zippi presented two options for a salt shed. One was a prefab unit which would be a permanent structure. The other was a temporary unit built from concrete blocks and covered with a tarp.

Ed Travis presented options for locations of a salt shed: the Town Center, Ann's Parcel and Cheyney University. Each site has pro's and con's.

E. Use of Sewer Project Grant Money - \$250,000 EPA Grant

A discussion was held on how to use the grant money received from the EPA: to fund the College Hill project or to partially fund both College Hill and Thornbury Estates sewer projects. Mike Gast will follow up with Cheyney University on plans to link the College Hill sewers to their system.

F. Illegal Parking Fine Amounts (Consistency among the WEGO Townships)

Bob Miller gave a brief overview. East Goshen and Westtown asked if we could agree on consistent amounts for illegal parking fines in the three Townships served by WEGO. The fines would be \$35.00 for general illegal parking and \$70.00 for handicap.

Ed Travis noted that this change would require a new ordinance which would involve a public hearing.

II. OTHER MATTERS

None

II. ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Teresa DeStefano