

THORNBURY TOWNSHIP, CHESTER COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Work Session

MINUTES October 4, 2011

The Thornbury Township Board of Supervisors' Work Session meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m. in the Thornbury Township meeting room. In attendance were Supervisors Mike Gast, Chairman; Robert Miller, Vice-Chairman; Mike Aiello, and Bob Anthony. Also in attendance were Brody Bovero, Township Manager, and Teresa DeStefano, Secretary.

I. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

A. Emergency Management Plan

Dave Smiley, the Township's Emergency Management Coordinator, discussed the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Services Code. He noted that the Township is required to prepare and maintain an updated Emergency Operations Plan. Dave summarized a draft plan and noted that with the Township being so small, its resources are limited and it will go to the County level for assistance. The plan sets forth various responsibilities and procedures designed to effectively respond during an emergency. Dave noted that the Township needs to keep the information up to date, most importantly, the phone list.

Brody Bovero stated that he has taken a tour of the County's facilities and they are state of the art. He noted that in order to receive funds from FEMA in case of an emergency, the Township must have our EOP in place.

Mike Gast wanted to take the time to thank Dave Smiley for all he does for the Township. He thanked Dave on behalf of the Board of Supervisors for his hard work.

B. 2012 Budget Workshop

Brody Bovero noted that at the last work shop that the Board discussed revenues. He explained that tonight's meeting will be to discuss expenses for the General Fund, as well as the 2012 budget for the Capital Fund, Open Space Fund, Liquid Fuels Fund and Tree Fund. The discussion for the Sewer Fund will wait until the November work session.

The review of the data continued and Brody discussed the larger line items.

Mike Gast thanked Dee Ann and Brody for a great job again on the preparation of the budget.

C. Thornbury Estates Traffic Management

Brody Bovero noted that the Township has received complaints of speeding within Thornbury Estates, particularly along Greentree Drive and Red Lion Road, as motorists travel to and from Route 202.

To date, the Township has primarily managed the speeding issue through periodic traffic enforcement by WEGO. This has helped temper the amount of speeding, but the issue still remains.

Brody Bovero stated that since a recent pedestrian-vehicle accident involving a minor, the issue has risen to a higher level in the minds of the residents in Thornbury Estates.

Mike Aiello and Brody Bovero have discussed the situation and have met with Pennoni to examine the situation and consider other alternatives.

Bob Anthony inquired if there are usually complaints involving these roadways?

Mike Aiello indicated that there have been complaints. He also noted that the Township has traffic data that shows the extent of the speeding.

Mike Gast suggested that the Board discuss this matter at the next work session, and invite the residents from the neighborhood.

Bob Miller expressed interest in a traffic study to support any actions before any changes are made to the roadways. He also stated that he would like to see a recommendation letter from Pennoni.

II. ADJOURNMENT:

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Teresa Destefano, Secretary