

**Chadds Ford Township Board of Supervisors Meeting
July 5, 2006
M I N U T E S**

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Deborah Love D'Elia, Chairman
Garry Paul, Supervisor
Joseph Mastronardo, Township Engineer
Richard J. Jensen, Building Inspector/CEO
Maryann D. Furlong, Secretary/Treasurer

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Deborah Love D'Elia called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Mrs. Love D'Elia pointed out the two emergency exits.

STATE POLICE REPORT

Lieutenant McClung, Media Barrack, Pennsylvania State Police, gave the police report for the month of June. There was one attempted burglary at Hannum's Harley Davidson, a burglary at Hank's, one residential burglary on Beechwood Circle and four incidents of thefts from motor vehicles at Painters Crossroads, MacDonald's and Pescatores. There were a few incidents of criminal mischief, one identity theft and one fatal pedestrian accident on Route 202 just south of Route 1.

Chairman Love D'Elia asked Lieutenant McClung to explain the new bicycle patrol. Lieutenant McClung said that as the area has grown he saw a great need for such a force. Large property owners were contacted with many of them making contributions including Henderson and State Farm. Eight mountain bikes were purchased and eleven officers trained. Lack of funds prevents further expansion with a cost between \$1,000 to \$1,500 to equip an officer.

Chairman Love D'Elia suggested the Township make a contribution to this effort.

MOTION TO CONTRIBUTE \$1,000 TO THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE POLICE BICYCLE PATROL

Upon motion and second (D'Elia, Paul) the Supervisors present authorized a \$1,000 contribution to the Pennsylvania State Police Bicycle Patrol fund.

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AWARD

Mrs. Love D'Elia presented the Academic Excellence Award to Jason Trigg for his many academic achievements. The Civic Association has also created an academic scholarship to be presented annually. All Township rising seniors are encouraged to apply next year. Timotha Trigg, Jason's mother, is Chadds Ford's representative to the Unionville Chadds Ford School District.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – June 7, 2006 Draft of 6/7/06

Minutes of the June 7, 2006 meeting were presented for review.

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF June 7, 2006, Draft of 7/5/06

Upon motion and second (D'Elia, Paul), the Supervisors present approved the minutes of June 7, 2006, draft of 7/5/06.

SUPERVISORS REPORT

Chairman Love D'Elia reported that two or more Supervisors were together at the following times:

- On June 16th all three Supervisors, members of the Sewer Authority, Senator Pileggi, State Representative Barrar, Delaware County Council Chairman Andrew Reilly, Richard Jensen and Joseph Mastronardo met to discuss possible financing sources for the Turner's Mill WWTP and tapping fees, and
- On June 22nd a follow-up meeting took place to review dates for a future public forum and to review information.

Chairman Love D'Elia announced that a public forum to discuss sewer financing has been scheduled for Monday, July 17, 2006 at 6:30 PM. State and local officials will be present. Additionally, a

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questionnaire will be distributed within next week to affected residents to determine eligibility for no interest loans through Delaware County Housing Rehabilitation Program.

Drafts of proposed letters for residents to send to Congressman Weldon and Governor Rendell were also sent to the Painters Crossing management office for distribution. Supervisor Paul will be present at the July 26th condominium association meeting with Vincent DelRossi and Richard Jensen to discuss the sewer project.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mrs. Furlong reported the following figures as of June 30, 2006:

Total deposits to General Fund:	\$	117,081.20
Total disbursements General Fund:	\$	129,195.17
Total disbursements Escrow Fund:	\$	1,276.06
Cash Accounts Balances	\$	1,195,331.85

MOTION TO APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT

Upon motion and second (D'Elia, Paul), the Supervisors unanimously voted to approve the Treasurer's Report for June, 2006, and authorized payment of bills in the amount of \$129,195.17.

FIRE MARSHALL

Mrs. Love D'Elia stated that Fire Marshall Phil Wenrich has issued twenty-one fire violations and has reviewed a number of subdivision plans. Mr. Paul thanked Mr. Wenrich for his assistance with a number of recent emergency situations in the Township.

ROADMASTER'S REPORT

Joe Barakat, Roadmaster, was unable to be present. Chairman Love D'Elia read the report for the month of June, 2006. A copy follows.

Mrs. Love D'Elia had attended a PennDOT meeting regarding the widening of Route 202. It was suggested that both Hugh Donaghue and Kathy Wandersee be alternate attendees at future meetings.

BUILDING INSPECTOR/CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Mr. Jensen submitted a written report and accompanying checks for the month of June to the Supervisors for review. Pictures were taken of damage caused from downed trees at the Toll Brothers development from the June 2nd storm. Additional damage from a subsequent storm had occurred. Toll is to start clearing tomorrow. Bullock Road was closed on July 3rd due to trees burning from downed power lines.

TOWNSHIP ENGINEER REPORT

Joseph Mastronardo, Township Engineer, reviewed his for June, 2006. A full copy follows.

A follow-up meeting with PennDOT will be scheduled to further discuss proposed work on Route One. Mr. Mastronardo said there would be a dramatic reduction in cost to the Township for sewer related restoration work to Route One if the situation can be amicably resolved.

There was discussion regarding silt runoff from the Fisher Carpet site adversely affecting a pond at the Concord Country Club. Mr. Mastroardo had viewed the problem. There Township always has recourse to the Delaware County Conservation District for enforcement if the situation is not rectified. In response to Mrs. Love D'Elia's concerns regarding a requested escrow reduction, the Township Engineer and Building Inspector confirmed that the Township holds more than enough escrow monies to cover any related costs to rectify the situation.

Mr. Mastronardo sought the Supervisors' permission to advertise the taking of bids for an emergency generator for Turner's Mill.

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MOTION TO AUTHORIZE ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR EMERGENCY GENERATOR

Upon motion and second (Paul, D'Elia), Supervisors present authorized the Township Engineer to take steps necessary to advertise the acceptance of bids for a backup generator for the Municipal Building at Turner's Mill.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Mr. Taylor, Planning Commission Chairman, read from a draft of minutes for the

Planning Commission's most recent meeting of Wednesday, June 14, 2006.

Mrs. Furlong reported on an initial meeting that took place with representatives of Delaware County Planning regarding the Community Block Grant award of \$50,000 for revisions to the Township's Comprehensive Plan. Mrs. Furlong will review materials received and report back to the Supervisors. Mrs. Love D'Elia stated that a task force will most likely be formed to oversee the project.

ZONING HEARING BOARD

Mr. Wandersee was not yet present. There were no hearings during June. Mr. Jensen said that an appeal was filed for the property at 152 Heyburn Road seeking relief to build outside of the building envelope. The hearing is scheduled for July. The Supervisors determined that it would not be necessary to send the solicitor.

HARB

No new applications were received during June and nothing is currently pending before HARB.

SEWER AUTHORITY

Marc Altman, Sewer Authority Secretary, gave a brief report in Mr. Del Rossi's absence. The Sewer Authority met on June 22nd to discuss budget matters and normal business. Flow rates were reviewed in light of recent heavy rains. Annual inspections took place on June 28th.

In an effort to reduce annual operational costs, the Sewer Authority has contracted with Delcora to install an automated tracking analysis system to be fully automated by early 2007. Supervisor Paul added that this will eventually reduce operational costs.

OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE

Mrs. Reardon reviewed the Open Space report for June and the meeting of June 8th. A copy follows. A survey will be distributed this fall for community input.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

There was no meeting during the month of June.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chadds Ford residents commented as follows:

Ann Pounds, Longview Road, questioned Mr. Altman regarding costs between the Sewer Authority's current management company and Delcora.

Anthony Cutrona, Mountain View Trail, complained about not being able to hear during the meeting. A proposal to remedy the problem is currently being reviewed by architect John Milner's office.

Carol Carter, Summit Drive, asked if Marshall Road will remain open in light of proposed construction in the area. Mrs. Love D'Elia has attended meetings in Concord Township and at the current time there is no plan to close the road. Pennoni Engineering is investigating traffic calming devices.

There was discussion regarding the widening of Route 202. PennDOT has asked municipalities to contact them prior to approving any land development along the corridor.

Comments were made regarding the "Christ Is Risen" sign on Route 202 with Mr.

Jensen responding that the resident has not been very receptive to correspondence.

Sewer rates were discussed with Marc Altman saying that the concept of unified sewer districts is being considered in an attempt to lower costs.

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A question was asked as to when residents can expect to receive bills for tap in fees. The Sewer Authority is waiting to receive all figures from the engineers. Chairman Love D'Elia said that local banks will be available at the public forum meeting on Monday, July 17th to provide information on lower cost loans. Sovereign and Eagle National Banks have already volunteered a preferred rate.

An easement agreement between Painters Crossing Condominiums and the Township was discussed. The amount of \$1.00 is noted in the easement. Mr. Paul explained this was solely for the purpose of recording with the understanding that the issue would be reevaluated and renegotiated. The value of the easement will be determined by a real estate appraiser and paid by the Township.

Roger Bailey, Summit Drive, asked Township officials to investigate water runoff near his home and the Kids First site. Mr. Jensen will take a look.

Mr. Bailey also complained about the property at the corner of Summit Road and Route 202. Mr. Jensen replied there are some property maintenance codes that can be enforced.

Ann Pounds, asked why the recent meeting with local officials was closed to the public and why the Sewer Authority isn't in control. Chairman Love D'Elia responded that it was the Township Solicitor's advise that since the work session was for the sole purpose of fact finding with no decisions to be made or votes taken, it was not covered by Sunshine Act regulations.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business on the agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business on the agenda.

ESCROW RELEASES

Upon recommendation of the Township Engineer, the Board of Supervisors approved the following reduction for improvements completed for the Fisher Carpet project.

MOTION TO APPROVE REDUCTION IN LETTER OF CREDIT #1 – FISHER CARPET

Upon motion and second (D'Elia, Paul), the Board of Supervisors approved the first reduction for improvements for the Fisher Carpet project in the amount of \$123,394.00, reducing the amount of the Irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit to \$281,511.60.

MOTION TO RELEASE ESCROW FUNDS

Upon motion and second (D'Elia, Paul), the Board of Supervisors approved release of the following escrow funds subject to bills being reviewed and any outstanding bills being paid:

Name	Escrow Type	Original Amount	Amount
Refunded			
Vanderhoff Construction	Grading	\$800.00	\$800.00
Talley (to CFTwp for o/s bills)	Grading	\$800.00	\$476.06

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

MARYANN D. FURLONG,
Township Secretary