

**Chadds Ford Township Board of Supervisors Meeting
September 4, 2007
M I N U T E S**

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Deborah Love D'Elia, Chairman
George M. Thorpe, Vice Chairman
Hugh A. Donaghue, Township Solicitor
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 7:32 PM. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Mr. Thorpe pointed out two emergency exits.

STATE POLICE REPORT

Lieutenant McClung, Pennsylvania State Police Media Barracks, presented a report for the month of August. Police responded to 84 calls, among which were: a residential burglary on Camly Lane; a high speed police chase that started in the state of Delaware; numerous thefts from motor vehicles and theft from a construction site. The Lieutenant presented graphic maps showing sites of auto crashes and criminal incidents. Responses to false alarms are still taking a lot of time. The Lieutenant has spoken with the Supervisors and will assign a trooper to patrol Atwater Road during the morning school bus hours.

SPECIAL AWARD – BRENT SANDERSON

Chairman Love D'Elia and Vice Chairman Thorpe presented an award to Unionville High School senior Brent Sanderson for winning numerous swimming awards.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon motion and second (Thorpe, Love D'Elia), the Supervisors present approved the minutes of August 1, 2007, draft dated 9.4.07.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mrs. Furlong reported the following figures as of August 31, 2007:

Total deposits to General Fund:	\$	104,677.04
Total disbursements General Fund:	\$	97,961.78
Total disbursements Liquid Fuel Fund:	\$	68,270.55
Total disbursements Escrow Account	\$	3,150.00
Cash Accounts Balances	\$	2,160,480.13

MOTION TO APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT

Upon motion and second (Thorpe, Love D'Elia), the Supervisors unanimously voted to approve the Treasurer's Report for August, 2007 and authorized payment of bills in the amount of \$97,961.78.

SUPERVISORS REPORT

Mr. Thorpe recently received an official survey of Beaver Dam Road. The original

was sent to Harrisburg where legislation will be introduced, eventually leading to a maintenance agreement with DeIDOT.

The Township is extremely close to reaching an agreement among the parties to complete the "loop" portion of Hillman Drive. PECO and Verizon are working on designs to move poles within the next six months.

Mr. Thorpe also reported a fire in a vacant home on Fox Tail Lane.

FIRE MARSHALL REPORT

No report was available.

ROADMASTER'S REPORT/EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Joe Barakat, Roadmaster, presented a report for the month of August, 2007 (copy follows). Approximately \$1,300 worth of road signs have been ordered. Mr. Mastronardo suggested telephone bid requests for the line striping proposal since there were no bidders.

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BUILDING INSPECTOR/CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Mr. Jensen submitted a written report and accompanying checks for the month of August. A court date has been set in the Ming Village restaurant case.

TOWNSHIP ENGINEER REPORT

Joseph Mastronardo, Township Engineer, reviewed a written report of activities during August, 2007. Supervisors approved grinder pump pre-purchase contract documents and specifications.

Mr. Mastronardo recommended payments to A.F. Damon and Penn Power as follows:

MOTION TO APPROVE PAYMENT #1 TO A. F. DAMON, Inc. – 2007 ROAD PROGRAM

Upon motion and second (Love D'Elia, Thorpe), the Supervisors present approved payment in the amount of \$77,491.12 to A.F. Damon for work completed on the 2007 Road Program.

MOTION TO APPROVE PAYMENT #1 TO PENN POWER SYSTEMS

Upon motion and second (Thorpe, Love D'Elia), the Supervisors present approved payment in the amount of \$10,935.00 to Penn Power Systems for the back-up generator.

Mr. Thorpe asked Mr. Mastronardo to investigate a business sign at 1 Station Way Road. Brandywine Prime Restaurant must also comply with HARB requirements and apply for HARB review for a permanent sign.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Mr. Taylor, Planning Commission Chairman, read a draft of minutes for the most recent meeting of Wednesday, August 8, 2007.

ZONING HEARING BOARD

Mr. Wandersee reviewed August activities (report follows). Two applications have been scheduled for September 19th.

HARB

Mr. Jensen presented a Certificate of Appropriateness for the property at 300 Brinton's Bridge Road. The applicant appeared before the HARB Board on Monday, August 6, 2007. A Certificate of Appropriateness was recommended

MOTION TO APPROVE CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS – 300 BRINTON'S BRIDGE ROAD

Upon motion and second (Thorpe, Love D'Elia), the Supervisors present approved a Certificate of Appropriateness for the proposed finishes and geometry as presented by applicant Joseph McFadden, 300 Brinton's Bridge Road

Mr. Jensen reviewed a zoning variance application filed by Glen Eagle Square and asked if the Supervisors wished to oppose. Mr. Thorpe commented on previous negotiations regarding traffic improvements at the corner of Marshall Road and Route 202. Mr. Mastronardo will research prior traffic studies. The Supervisors agreed to send the Township Solicitor to oppose the application and Mr. Thorpe will attend the hearing on behalf of the Board.

The Supervisors agreed not to send the Township Solicitor to oppose a zoning application filed by the McFadden residence at 300 Brinton's Bridge Road.

A zoning variance application to allow plumbing in an accessory building at 5 Fox Tail Lane has been scheduled for hearing on September 20th before the UCC Appeals Board. Chairman Love D'Elia said the seasonality of the building is very important. Mr. Thorpe agreed. The Supervisors decided to oppose the application and directed Mr. Jensen to attend the hearing on behalf of the Township.

SEWER AUTHORITY

Vincent Del Rossi, Chairman, presented the monthly report for the Sewer Authority.

OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE

Chairwoman Debbie Reardon presented the August, 2007 report. A copy follows. Mrs. Reardon and Lois Saunders are also working on Requests for Proposals for a Brandywine Valley Scenic Byway Commission corridor management plan.

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PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

NEW BUSINESS

REVISION OF TOWNSHIP FEE SCHEDULE

Mr. Mastronardo reviewed changes to the Township's Fee Schedule regarding inclusion of connection fees for the Turner's Mill Wastewater Treatment System.

MOTION TO ADOPT 2007-19 – A REVISION OF THE TOWNSHIP'S FEE SCHEDULE

Upon motion and second (Thorpe, Love D'Elia), the Supervisors present approved the revised Fee Schedule.

SUICIDE PREVENTION WEEK

Chairman Love D'Elia summarized the proposed resolution regarding the possible reduction of suicides through public awareness, education and treatment.

MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2007-20 – SUICIDE PREVENTION WEEK

Upon motion and second (Thorpe, Love D'Elia), the Supervisors present declared the week of September 9 – 15, 2007 to be Suicide Awareness Week in Chadds Ford Township.

MOTION TO AUTHORIZATION TO DISTRIBUTE OPEN SPACE PLAN – Final Draft

Upon motion and second (Thorpe, Love D'Elia), the Supervisors approved distribution of the Final Draft of the Open Space Plan to adjoining municipalities, Delaware County Planning and the Unionville Chadds Ford School District for comment.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF SPECIAL BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING OF AUGUST 16, 2007

Upon motion and second (Thorpe, Love D'Elia), the minutes of the special meeting of August 16, 2007 were approved.

ESCROWS RELEASES

Chairman Love D'Elia suggested escrow releases as follows:

APPLICANT/TWP AMOUNT	ESCROW TYPE	ESCROW AMOUNT	CHECK
Goodman 409.96 Chadds Ford Township	ZHB Reimbursement for o/s expenses	\$ 750.00	\$ \$
340.04 Parkside Holdings 675.75 Chadds Ford Township	ZHB Reimbursement for o/s expenses	\$ 900.00	\$ \$
224.25 Toll Brothers, Inc.	ZHB	\$ 750.00	\$

521.01	Chadds Ford Township	Reimbursement for o/s expenses		\$
228.99	Ganoudis	ZHB	\$ 750.00	\$
525.75	Chadds Ford Township	Reimbursement for o/s expenses		\$
224.25				

MOTION TO APPROVE ESCROW RELEASES

Upon motion and second (Thorpe, Love D'Elia), the escrows amounts noted above were approved for release.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:52 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

MARYANN D. FURLONG,
Township Secretary