

**MIDDLESEX TOWNSHIP
WORKSHOP MEETING
April 29, 2011**

OFFICIALS PRESENT:	SUPERVISORS:	Chairman Victor P. Stabile Vice-Chairman Donald S. Geistwhite, Jr. Steven L. Larson
	SOLICITOR:	Keith O. Brenneman
	POLICE:	Chief Barry Sherman
	ZONING OFFICER:	Mark Carpenter
	MANAGER:	Eileen M. Gault
	ENGINEER:	Bud Grove

OFFICIALS ABSENT: FIRE CHIEF: Ed Beam

Supervisor Mr. Stabile called the meeting to order at 7:36 am in the Middlesex Township Building.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: On the motion of Mr. Geistwhite, seconded by Mr. Stabile, it was unanimously agreed to approve the minutes of February 2, 2011, with Mr. Larson abstaining since he was not present at the February 2, 2011 meeting.

WOLF BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT: Kirk Stoner from Cumberland County Office gave an update to the Supervisors reporting that the funding has been received for the Wolf Bridge Replacement Project which they would like to get started on as soon as possible once the contract is complete with PennDot. The anticipated preliminary engineering will start in 2012 and will take approximately 18-24 months with the construction taking an additional 8-12 months. Mr. Stabile asked the Recreation Director Mrs. Jumper to put an article in the newsletter regarding this upcoming project.

DISC GOLF PRESENTATION & UPDATE: The Disc Golf Course with the help of additional volunteers and Middlesex Township Staff is coming along well. However, due to the economy, the anticipated donations for costs to complete the course with additional materials, mainly Disc Golf Baskets, has not been received. The Recreation Board is in support of the presented budget for these costs. On the motion of Mr. Geistwhite, seconded by Mr. Larson it was unanimously agreed to authorize the Recreation Board to spend \$12,000.00 out of the Recreation Fee-in-Lieu Account to help fund the Middlesex Township Disc Golf Course construction.

KEYSTONE ARMS REVISIONS TO LAND DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR COMMERCIAL LOT #165: The original concept of this plan is still in place with less than 50% impervious coverage, therefore, having no effect to Stormwater Management. The Supervisors are in support of the modification to change the radius of this plan and asked that the developer provide a single sheet with a revision labeled on the plan and that Mr. Brenneman provide a one page agreement between the developer and the Township. Mr. Stabile asked that this be ready for the Supervisors Meeting on Wednesday, May 4, 2011.

BLUE BEACON PRELIMINARY/FINAL LAND DEVELOPMENT PLAN: Mr. Jim Bridges presented to the Supervisors the plan to redevelop this property to have a three (3) bay truck wash, scales and attendant buildings, utilizing the existing access points from the Pike with a one way entrance and exit. The applicant is requesting a waiver for the requirement to submit a Preliminary Improvements Plan and a partial waiver for the requirement to install curbing. The waivers need to be listed on the front of the plan. Mr. Bridges stated that they will need to get a NPDS Permit and obtain approval from DEP. The Planning Commission has recommended approval of this plan. A Special Exception was obtained for the use of the facility as a truck wash, the use of the scales as an accessory and the modification to the impervious coverage. No action was taken regarding this matter and will be on the agenda for the Wednesday evening meeting.

TEX VISIONS PRELIMINARY/FINAL LAND DEVELOPMENT PLAN: Mr. Steve Quigley from H E Black was present to discuss the current status of the new development plan for Pine Hill Industrial Park. This is a new 84,000 sq. ft. facility being constructed in phases. Mr. Quigley reported that Mr. Lutz has decided that rather than post bond to record the previously conditionally approved Lot 6A plan, he has decided to do all the improvements for the extension of Pine Hill Drive. If this is not completed then there is no Lot 6A. The Planning Commission suggested that Mr. Lutz complete this within a certain period of time or else the plan that created Lot 6A is considered null and void. Mr. Brenneman suggested that the Supervisors do their approvals contingent upon the plan being recorded. No action was taken regarding this matter.

RESOLUTION 2011 – 7 ADOPTING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE MIDDLESEX TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT: Chief Sherman reported that this is an update to the personnel policy from 1988 and all the updates are in accordance with State Law. On the motion of Mr. Geistwhite, seconded by Mr. Larson, it was unanimously agreed to adopt Resolution 2011 -7 adopting and incorporating the new policies and procedures manual for the Middlesex Township Police Department.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS: Mr. Sherman reported that the traffic signals on the Miracle Mile have been in place since 1984. Since then technology has changed and the internal parts are no longer available for replacement. Mr. Sherman has conferred with PennDot and has gotten approval to use Liquid Fuels Funds to update the lights at an approximate cost of \$100,000.00 for all the upgrades. On the motion of Mr. Stabile, seconded by Mr. Larson, it was unanimously agreed to authorize Mr. Sherman to put together a bid package for Middlesex Township traffic signal upgrades.

PMRS POLICE PENSION PLAN: Chief Sherman reported that the change to the PMRS Plan states that the plan is now IRS qualified and that it adds the Drop Program to the plan. Mr. Brenneman stated that the Supervisors will need to authorize an Ordinance to adopt the plan that includes the new changes. This matter has been tabled for the Supervisors Meeting on Wednesday, May 4, 2011.

PMRS MUNICIPAL PENSION PLAN: This plan pertains to the same agenda item listed above.

ESTABLISH KULICK AGRICULTURAL SECURITY AREA PUBLIC HEARING DATE: Mr. Brenneman stated that the Supervisors need to pick a date thirty (30) days beyond today's date for a Public Hearing regarding this matter. On the motion of Mr. Stabile, seconded by Mr. Geistwhite, it was unanimously agreed to establish June 1, 2011 as the date to consider the Kulick Agricultural Security Area.

PROPOSED ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT REGULATIONS FOR SOLAR ENERGY USES – VERSION 6: The Cumberland County Planning Commission provided a model ordinance which the Planning Commission utilized to assist with their final version and is similar to the Wind Ordinance previously adopted. Mr. Carpenter reported that the Planning Commission is recommending approval and enactment of this Ordinance. On the motion of Mr. Stabile, seconded by Mr. Geistwhite, it was unanimously agreed to establish July 6, 2011 for consideration of adopting the proposed ordinance regulating solar energy uses in Middlesex Township. On the motion of Mr. Stabile, seconded by Mr. Geistwhite, it was unanimously agreed to authorize the Solicitor Mr. Brenneman to advertise the proposed solar energy ordinance in accordance with applicable law.

A resident from Hickorytown Road was present and express his concerns about the water run-off problems in his area. He wanted to advise the Supervisors that there is a possibility that other residents will be attending a future meeting to discuss his pumping water from his residence and adding to an already existing problem. The Supervisors as well as Mr. Sherman have looked at this problem and feel that the drainage system on Chestnut Drive is working as it should be and is not overloaded despite the current rain received. After much discussion it was agreed that there isn't too much that can be done at this point since the system is doing as it should naturally.

Mrs. Gault informed the Supervisors of the Letter of Intent for retirement received from Mr. Rodney Smith effective May 2, 2011. Mr. Smith was present at the meeting and the Supervisors congratulated Mr. Smith wishing him well and thanking him for his many years of service to Middlesex Township.

On the motion of Mr. Geistwhite, seconded by Mr. Larson, and there being no further business, it was unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 9:23 a.m.