

**MIDDLESEX TOWNSHIP
WORKSHOP MEETING
September 26, 2008**

OFFICIALS PRESENT:	SUPERVISORS:	Vic Stabile Don Geistwhite Steve Larson
	SOLICITOR:	Keith Brenneman
	ENGINEER:	Bud Grove
	POLICE:	Chief Barry Sherman
	ZONING OFFICER:	Mark Carpenter
	SECRETARY:	Mary Justh

Chairman Vic Stabile called the meeting to order at 7:51am after a brief Executive Session in the Middlesex Township Building.

PUBLIC COMMENT - None

PUBLIC HEARING - Mr. Brenneman noted that this was the time and place for the public hearing on amendments to the Middlesex Township Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance and the Middlesex Township Zoning Ordinance to provide, among other Amendments, for Conservation Design. This hearing has been properly advertised two times in the Sentinel on September 5 and 12, 2008, with the full text of the Ordinance being provided to the Sentinel and the Cumberland County Commissioner's Office as required by law. The Ordinance was provided to the Cumberland County Planning Commission and the Middlesex Township Planning Commission 30 days prior to the hearing. Mr., Brenneman asked Mr. Carpenter if the posting of the hearing notices had been done according to the law. Mr. Carpenter answered that he had posted the notices. Mr. Brenneman entered several items as exhibits. There was no comment on the proposed ordinance amendments. Mr. Stabile questioned the timing on enactment of the Ordinance. Mr. Brenneman stated that the ordinance needed to be enacted today to benefit from available funding, but that any necessary changes could be made a future time. Mr. Stabile thanked Mr. Carpenter, Mr. Claycomb and the Planning Commission. Mr. Brenneman acknowledged Mr. Claycomb and he thanked Mr. Michael Buchanan for his help with the drafting of the ordinance. Mr. Brenneman turned the meeting over to Mr. Stabile and he declared the meeting closed.

ORDINANCE 10-2008 CONSERVATION DESIGN OVERLAY DISTRICT AND OTHER AMENDMENTS – Mr. Geistwhite made a motion to adopt Ordinance 10-2008 Amending the Middlesex Township Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance and the Middlesex Township Zoning Ordinance to Provide, Among Other Amendments for Conservation Design. Mr. Larson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

SURPLUS VEHICLE BID OPENING – Chief Sherman explained that the bid process is now done over the internet and explained the results. Chief Sherman stated that the winning bid was from R. Holmes of Philadelphia for \$2,815.00 for the 2003 Crown Vic. Mr. Geistwhite made a motion to award the bid to Holmes for \$2,815.00 the high bidder. Mr. Larson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Chief Sherman explained that the bids for the other items were less than \$10.00 apart as required in the bid specifications. Mr. Stabile made a motion to

table the other two bids until Wednesday night. Mr. Geistwhite seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

YORK WASTE PROPOSED CONTRACT EXTENSION – After some discussion about trash complaints and leaf pickup, Don Isabella presented a new contract extension for one year with Middlesex Township of \$2.95 per tag and \$16.92 per month for totter service. Mr. Isabella reported on the pricing of being a 4% increase over the current contract. Mr. Stabile made a motion to authorize a contract with York Waste Disposal for a new rate of \$2.95 per tag and \$16.92 per month per totter beginning in April of 2009. Mr. Geistwhite seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Mr. Stabile questioned the leaf collection for the township. Mr. Isabella mentioned that it would be either craft bags or open containers in order to have curbside pickup, because that is the only way York Waste will do it.

SPORTS EMPORIUM TIME EXTENSION LETTER – Mr. Brenneman asked Mr. Stabile if he had heard the decision of the Zoning Hearing Board. Mr. Stabile acknowledged that he had heard the decision. Mr. Stabile made a motion to accept the request of the Carlisle Sports Emporium's request for a time extension on the Land Development Plan from 9/22/08 until 12/6/08. Mr. Geistwhite seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

ORDINANCE 11-2008 AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP TO ENTER INTO AN INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT – Mr. Geistwhite made a motion to enact Ordinance 11-2008 Authorizing the township to enter into an Intermunicipal Agreement with North Middleton Township for a Composting site. Mr. Larson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT – Mr. Geistwhite made a motion to agree and execute the Intermunicipal Agreement between North Middleton and Middlesex Township for the composting site. Mr. Larson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

ORDINANCE 12-2008 AMENDING ORDINANCE 13-2007 THE BURNING ORDINANCE – Mr. Brenneman explained that these are for review by the Supervisors and have not been advertised. After some discussion Mr. Stabile asked Mr. Brenneman to look into the burning issue with Mr. Mark Vottero of DEP.

ORDINANCE 13-2008 AMENDING ORDINANCE 2-99 THE SOLID WASTE & RECYCLING – This was skipped until further information is available.

JULIE JOHNSEN VACANT PROPERTY – Chief Sherman stated that he was unable to get in touch with her. Mr. Stabile stated that he has been in contact with Attorney Nathan Wolfe. Mr. Stabile asked Mr. Brenneman what is the procedure. Mr. Brenneman told the Board that we can begin fining her. If the Board does not hear from Julie Johnsen by the next meeting on October 1st we will begin proceedings.

WEST SHORE TAX BUREAU – Mr. Stabile asked Mrs. Justh if we got our delinquent tax payment from the West Shore Tax Bureau. Mrs. Justh reported that \$11,000.00 has been received. Mr. Timko is working on the delinquent taxes and Mr. Stabile is satisfied with the work he is doing.

ACT 39 MUNICIPALITIES PLANNING CODE AMENDMENTS – Mr. Brenneman explained that this is a provision that allows any one to test the validity of an Ordinance at any time in the future. Mr. Brenneman recommends that Middlesex Township follows a simple notice procedure and when we adopt an Ordinance we do this procedure and pass on the additional cost for the items that could be in jeopardy when possible.. Mr. Stabile authorized Mr. Brenneman to draft a Resolution addressing the Act 39 Requirements. Mr. Geistwhite seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Mr. Stabile authorized Mr. Brenneman to advertise the Ordinance 10-2008 Conservation Design in light of Act 39.

LEAF COLLECTION – Mr. Stabile stated that he is less than satisfied with the solutions we have been able to give people concerning their leaves. Mrs. Justh was asked to contact York Waste on the cost of picking up leaves in the Township. The cost will be \$3,000.00 but does not include getting rid of them. Mr. Claycomb suggested that we have curbside pickup.

LETORT FALLS PARK – FISH AND BOAT GRANT – Mrs. Denise Jumper presented a grant proposal to the Board for the Fish and Boat Commission to help provide funds for the Letort Falls Park. Mr. Stabile made a motion in favor of the grant and it was seconded by Mr. Geistwhite and passed unanimously.

MMO FOR UNIFORM AND NON-UNIFORM EMPLOYEES – Mrs. Justh presented the Uniform and non-Uniform minimal municipal obligation forms. Mr. Stabile made a motion to approve the 2009 minimal Municipal Obligation for the Non-Uniform Employees in the amount of \$29,432.00. Mr. Geistwhite seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Mr. Stabile made another motion to approve the 2009 minimal Municipal Obligation for the Uniform Employees in the amount of \$57,520.00, noting that will be reimbursed by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania at a later date. Mr. Geistwhite seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

CALENDAR – Mrs. Justh presented the 2009 Calendar and asked the Board to check to see if they had any conflicts with the dates for next year. Mr. Stabile and Mr. Larson asked that the year dates be corrected to 2009.

2009 BUDGET – Mrs. Justh presented the 2009 Budget to the Board for their review. Mr. Geistwhite stated that the copier is presenting problems and we need to replace it. Mr. Stabile asked Mrs. Justh to get pricing for leasing it. Mr. Stabile questioned Mrs. Justh about revenue received so far in 2008 that were unexpected. Mr. Stabile asked Mrs. Justh if she had any reason to expect any large outlays of funds in the next year.

Mr. Larson asked what the township can do with **children playing in the street at Meadowbrook Farms**. Chief Sherman will look into the state highway code and how it addresses this problem.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Mr. Geistwhite made a motion to adjourn at 9:58 pm to executive session with no action being taken. Mr. Larson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.