

Record of Proceedings: March 24, 2020
West Chester Township Board of Trustees - Regular Meeting

Convene: Chairperson Becker convened the meeting at 6:00 p.m.
Roll Call: Mrs. Becker, Mr. Wong, and Mr. Welch responded.
Pledge of Allegiance: Repeated by those present.

Citizen's Comments

There were no citizen's comments.

Presentations

West Chester Township Fire Chief Rick Prinz gave a presentation on the local response to the COVID-19 virus, and responded to questions from the Board.

Action Items – For Approval by Motion

MOTION made by Mr. Wong, seconded by Mr. Welch, to approve the Trustee Meeting Minutes for March 10, 2020. Discussion: none. **Motion carried unanimously.**

MOTION made by Mr. Welch, seconded by Mr. Wong, to approve payment of bills. Discussion: none. **Motion carried unanimously.**

MOTION made by Mr. Wong, seconded by Mr. Welch, to approve an addition to a lighting district in the Oaks of West Chester, Section 5, as illustrated in the attached plan documentation. Discussion: none. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Mr. Burks submitted the following requisitions greater than \$7,500:

Requisitions – Greater than \$7,500.00

1. Adm \$44,824.12 Frost Brown Todd, LLC - Legal Services through February 29, 2020 (various departments)
2. Fire \$17,500.00 Greater Chinese Chamber of Commerce – Purchase 10 cases of N95 masks and 50 forehead thermometers for COVID-19 pandemic
3. Fire \$15,041.00 Vogelpohl Fire Equipment, Inc. – Motion to affirm emergency purchase of MSA Self Contained Breathing Apparatus mask filter conversion kits and extra filters for the COVID-19 pandemic
4. Police \$134,406.00 Cincyautos, Inc. - Purchase four 2020 police vehicles (CIP# 1288)
5. Police \$63,580.00 Tri-State Public Safety - Purchase equipment to outfit four new police vehicles (CIP# 1288)
6. Services \$274,640.00 Ohio Department of Transportation - Installation of the Tylersville overpass fence (CIP# 1636)
7. Services \$56,980.00 Granite Inliner LLC - Repair storm pipe on Interocean Drive (CIP# 1258)

Mr. Wong had made a point of order that he recently stepped down from the "Board Chair" position at the Chinese Chamber of Commerce and he would be recusing himself from voting on item #2.

MOTION made by Mr. Welch, seconded by Mrs. Becker, to approve payment of requisition 2. Discussion: In response to Mr. Welch's question, Mr. Burks said the purchase of masks from the Midwest Chinese Chamber of Commerce was in conjunction with UC Health. Mr. Wong said the purchase order from West Chester Hospital/UC Health was \$150,000. Chief Prinz responded to questions from the Board. Mr. Wong had indicated he would be recusing himself on item 2. **Motion carried. Mr. Wong recused himself.**

MOTION made by Mr. Welch, seconded by Mr. Wong, to approve payment of requisition 1, and 3 through 7. Discussion: none. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Personnel Items

Mr. Burks introduced the next item by stating the township's history of merit raises, and noting this item only establishes the pool, though no increase would be given until mid-July. He also expressed the need to retain qualified, experienced employees.

MOTION made by Mr. Wong, seconded by Mr. Welch, to Motion to approve 3.5% merit pool for the 2020 merit performance increases; and, a not to exceed 4% individual increase for qualified non-contract exempt and non-exempt employees; and authorize the Township Administrator to approve and apply said merit performance increases effective the first full pay period of July 2020 subject to approved and related policies and procedures. Discussion: Mr. Wong emphasized that the item does not entail pay raises and that the Trustees have the power to pull any raises before July. He also said this applies only to non-contract employees. Mrs. Becker also emphasized that any raises would be based on merit. Mr. Welch noted that the township has had a problem previously in extending merit raises late in the year, requiring retroactive increases. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Business Items

MOTION made by Mr. Welch, seconded by Mr. Wong, to not object to a C1 and C2 liquor permit transfer from UDF Limited Partnership I dba United Dairy Farmers 094, 9594 Cincinnati Columbus Road, to AD Shah LLC dba TJ Sunoco, 9594 Cincinnati Columbus Road. Discussion: none. **Motion carried unanimously.**

First Reading of Resolutions & Reading of Emergency Resolutions

There were no first readings of resolutions or readings of emergency resolutions.

Citizen's Comments

Mrs. Brown, Assistant Township Administrator read four emails from constituents as follows: Lynda O'Connor, Lakota School Board Member, 7402 Great Waters Lane, expressed her appreciation for the township's efforts to support residents and businesses.

Gene Hendel, 6061 Eaglet Drive, asked what are other cities and townships doing to have their city and township meetings, to which Mrs. Brown noted the variety of options that's being implemented.

Michael DiSalvo, 8371 Birchstone Court, expressed concern about the installation of 5G communications in West Chester, and asked the Board for a moratorium on such installations. Mrs. Brown said the township Law Director, Don Crane, stated the township has no jurisdiction or authority over such installations. Rather, concerned citizens should contact either their Congressperson or the FCC.

Patrick Barnett, 7986 Tylers Way, asked Mr. Welch how his military service would affect his response to the COVID-19 crisis, and thanked Mr. Welch for his service.

Second Reading & Vote on Pending Resolutions & Vote on Emergency Resolutions

There were no second readings, or votes on pending resolutions or emergency resolutions.

Discussion Items & Elected Official Comments

Mr. Burks expressed his appreciation for all of the people around him in the township and their hard work

Mr. Jones and the Trustees all commented on the Coronavirus crisis.

Adjournment

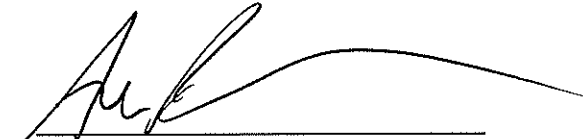
MOTION made at 6:52 p.m. by Mr. Welch, seconded by Mr. Wong, to adjourn the March 24th Regular meeting. Discussion: none. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Respectfully Submitted,



Bruce Jones, Fiscal Officer

Approved,



Mrs. Becker, Chairperson

Bruce Jones

From: Lisa Brown
Sent: Monday, April 13, 2020 10:37 AM
To: Bruce Jones
Cc: Jenna Whittaker
Subject: RE: Draft 3/24/20 Meeting Minutes
Attachments: Citizen's comments; Re: Question for Trustees' meeting; 3/24 Meeting @ 6pm: Comment for West Chester Board of Trustees about 5G Tower; Re: Trustee Meeting Question

Here are the emails from the last Trustee meeting.

Lisa D. Brown MPA

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From: Bruce Jones
Sent: Saturday, April 11, 2020 2:20 PM
To: Lisa Brown <lbrown@WestChesterOH.Org>
Cc: Jenna Whittaker <jwhittaker@WestChesterOH.Org>
Subject: FW: Draft 3/24/20 Meeting Minutes

Hi Lisa, could you please Forward me the emails you received pertaining to Citizen Comments from our last Trustee meeting and copy Jenna so that she can attach them to the subject minutes?

Thank you!!
Bruce

From: Jenna Whittaker
Sent: Tuesday, April 07, 2020 8:46 AM
To: Bruce Jones <bjones@WestChesterOH.Org>
Subject: RE: Draft 3/24/20 Meeting Minutes

Thank you. I believe we are supposed to have the emails (that were comments) attached to these minutes?

Jenna

From: Bruce Jones
Sent: Monday, April 06, 2020 6:56 PM
To: Jenna Whittaker <jwhittaker@WestChesterOH.Org>
Subject: RE: Draft 3/24/20 Meeting Minutes

Sounds good. I input them, though just prior to the first motion.

From: Jenna Whittaker
Sent: Monday, April 06, 2020 11:28 AM
To: Bruce Jones <bjones@WestChesterOH.Org>; Larry Burks <lburks@WestChesterOH.Org>
Subject: RE: Draft 3/24/20 Meeting Minutes

Hi Mr. Jones,

I've reviewed the minutes for 03.24.2020. I thought it should be noted somewhere that "Mr. Wong made a first point of order that he has recently stepped down from the "Board Chair" position at the Chinese Chamber of Commerce - and wants to be recused himself from item #2" (which you noted in comments).

Let me know your thoughts,
Thank you,

Jenna

From: Bruce Jones
Sent: Saturday, April 04, 2020 3:46 PM
To: Larry Burks <lburks@WestChesterOH.Org>; Jenna Whittaker <jwhittaker@WestChesterOH.Org>
Subject: Draft 3/24/20 Meeting Minutes

Attached are the draft meeting minutes for the 3/24/20 Regular Trustee meeting. Jenna, please call/txt me after you and Larry have completed your reviews.
Thank you!

Bruce Jones
Fiscal Officer
- *Be a good citizen.*
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Bruce Jones

From: Michael DiSalvo <disalvo.michael@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, March 21, 2020 3:47 PM
To: Lisa Brown
Subject: 3/24 Meeting @ 6pm: Comment for West Chester Board of Trustees about 5G Tower

<https://www.westchesteroh.org/Home/Components/Calendar/Event/4809/122>

Michael DiSalvo
8371 Birchstone Ct
West Chester, OH 45069
513 939-9033

Dead birds, dead bees, dead babies. My name is Michael DiSalvo. As someone with a painful autoimmune condition of 25 years I was naturally interested in the outcome of the Obamacare healthcare takeover in 2010, but not in a way some people would think. Rather than wanting to finally have healthcare of my own, I was concerned about the monopoly the system would create: Not just the skyrocketing costs to consumers but the heartless murdering of unborn children through taxpayer money. I was so concerned that not only did I help pass **Ohio's Healthcare Freedom Amendment** but I made international news by picketing Steve Driehaus at his home to let him know it was NOT okay to fund the slaughter of unborn children against the voters' will. Today I speak of a new hidden threat, not coronavirus, but **something that many experts believe helped precipitate the outbreak of the disease** that has ended thousands of lives and has done grave financial damage to millions of Americans.

While I come to speak out against the one 5G antenna already installed in West Chester in the 5 Bridges community where I work, in the great China experiment over **10,000 of these antennas were installed in the city of Wuhan** before Christmas this year when the world saw the rise of this terrible plague. To those of us who have studied it the effects of this very powerful microwave radiation are well known in research studies: **worsened eye health, lower bacterial resistance, and cancer.**

In fact, before this at least two of my students have suffered from cancer on the same side of their head they have held their phones, and **research tells us those who live next to cell phone towers with 400 meters of cell phone towers or antennas have triple the incidence of cancer.** With these towers planned to now be **only 300 yards apart on**

average, we are going to be killing our citizens WITHOUT their permission. Documented evidence has already come back showing the massive death of birds and bees near these towers as well as stillbirths of unborn babies since 5G impairs mitochondrial function on the level of DNA. With homes near cell towers having been proven to lose their value and their owners near cell towers, **I ask for a moratorium on this unauthorized technology**. It is unlawful to experiment on human subjects without consent and I do not believe it is right to prostitute the rights of the people of West Chester to powerful telecommunication companies and their perverse interests when **we cannot afford to have our immune systems further impaired**.

(Use duckduckgo.com to research for yourself as Facebook, Google, and Youtube are censoring important health information on this topic).

<http://it-takes-time.com/2015/09/22/health-effects-of-cell-towers/>

<https://www.thehealthyhomeeconomist.com/cell-tower-safety/>

<https://www.collective-evolution.com/2018/06/18/the-damaging-effects-of-5g-wifi-on-your-health/>

5G Towers EFFECT Bees, Birds, Trees & PEOPLE

Mysterious Deaths of Massive Amounts of Birds Near 5G Towers

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hyR64MbzQ6U>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ed8DBXMKayk>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d-lj-QeI590>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=57hHyGHffmU>

<https://exonews.org/is-the-coronavirus-linked-to-chinas-rollout-of-5g-and-biowarfare/>

Bruce Jones

From: Patrick Barnett <patrickbarnettpersonal@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 24, 2020 5:49 PM
To: Lisa Brown
Subject: Re: Question for Trustees' meeting

Thank you for the quick response.

Patrick Barnett
7986 Tylers Way
West Chester, OH 45069

On Tue, Mar 24, 2020 at 5:36 PM Lisa Brown <lbrown@westchesteroh.org> wrote:

Please provide your residential address. This is required of those wishing to comment at the Trustee meetings.
Thank you.

Sent from my iPhone

> On Mar 24, 2020, at 5:33 PM, Patrick Barnett <patrickbarnettpersonal@gmail.com> wrote:

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> Hello!

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> I have a question for Mark Welch - set forth below.

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> Thank you very much!

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> "First off, thank you for your service. How are you drawing on your military service to frame your response to the COVID 19 crisis?"

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Bruce Jones

From: gene hendel <genehendel@msn.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 24, 2020 1:43 PM
To: Lisa Brown
Subject: Re: Trustee Meeting Question

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From: Lisa Brown <lbrown@WestChesterOH.Org>
Sent: Tuesday, March 24, 2020 10:48 AM
To: 'gene hendel' <genehendel@msn.com>
Subject: RE: Trustee Meeting Question

Hi Gene,

Do you want this question read at the Trustee meeting tonight? If so, I need your address.

Thank you,

Lisa D. Brown MPA

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From: gene hendel [mailto:genehendel@msn.com]
Sent: Tuesday, March 24, 2020 9:18 AM
To: Lisa Brown <lbrown@WestChesterOH.Org>
Subject: Trustee Meeting Question

Name:
Address:

Question: what are other cities and townships doing about having meetings during these times?

gene hendel

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