## Record of Proceedings: December 7, 2022 West Chester Township & Liberty Township Board of Trustees Joint Work Session - Trash Consortium

Convene: Chairperson Welch convened the meeting at 3:30 p.m.

Mr. Welch explained that the purpose for the Joint Work Session was to explore the potential of getting a trash aggregation program that, based upon the power of population, the combined population of Liberty and West Chester, that we get a better trash and recycle pick –up price. Roll Call: Mr. Welch, Mrs. Becker, Mr. Wong, Mr. Farrell, Mr. Schramm, and Mr. Minniear responded.

(Fiscal Officer Note: Also in attendance was West Chester Fiscal Officer Jones, Liberty Township Fiscal Officer Quinlisk, West Chester Township Administrator Burks, Assistant Liberty Township Administrator Geis, accompanied by Economic Development Director McKinney, and Administrative Assistant Connie. Liberty Township Administrator Bitonte joined by phone).

Pledge of Allegiance: Lead by Mr. Farrell and repeated by those present.

## **Presentations**

Ann Fiehrer Flaig, Executive Director of Butler County Recycling & Solid Waste, gave a presentation with an accompanying PowerPoint presentation. The presentation and subsequent discussion focused on how residents can access lower cost garbage and recycling services, increase hauler accountability over the surcharges and fees, and increase recycling participation. Slides illustrating the service cost comparison of various area communities that currently have such aggregation were shown, as well as examples of bid specifications, acceptable recycling materials, and a potential timeline for implementation. Ms. Fiehrer addressed questions and comments from the joint board members.

## Citizen Comments

Debrorah Busse, 6520 Winter Hazel Drive, Liberty Township, spoke favorably of having trash aggregation and gave data from area communities for comparison. Sandy Riley Eversole, 9061 Revere Run, West Chester Township, said she spoke at the Trustee meeting in October making the initial request for trash aggregation. She was pleased with the work session, appreciated the potential savings, and advocated an opt-out option for several scenarios.

## Adjournment

Mr. Welch declared the West Chester Township Board of Trustees to be adjourned at 4:34. p.m. Liberty Township Board of Trustees motioned for adjournment which passed unanimously.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Bruce Jones, Fiscal Officer

Approved,

Ann Becker, Chairperson