

Record of Proceedings: **June 25, 2024**
West Chester Township Board of Trustees - Regular Meeting

Convene: Chairperson Wong convened the meeting at 5:00 p.m.
Roll Call: Mr. Wong, Mr. Welch, and Mrs. Becker responded.
Pledge of Allegiance: Repeated by those present.

MOTION made at 5:01 p.m. by Mrs. Becker, seconded by Mr. Welch, to recess the Regular meeting and go into Executive Session with legal counsel for the purpose of: Conference with an attorney for the Township concerning disputes involving the Township that are the subject of pending or imminent court action. O.R.C. 121.22(G)(3). Discussion: none. **Motion carried unanimously.** Mr. Wong said the Board would return to adjourn the Executive Session and to resume the Regular meeting. Mr. Wong declared the meeting in recess.

Post Executive Session/ Adjournment

MOTION made at 6:54 p.m. by Mrs. Becker to adjourn the Executive Session and resume the June 25, 2024. Regular meeting, seconded by Mr. Welch. Discussion: none. **Motion carried unanimously.**

At this time, Mr. Wong recognized that this meeting was the last Trustee meeting for Chief Herzog before his retirement. Chief Herzog received a standing ovation.

Citizen's Comments

There were no citizen's comments.

Presentations

There were no presentations.

Personnel Items

Mr. Burks introduced the Personnel Items consisting of, (1) accepting various employee resignations per an attached report; (2) hiring Monica Baker to the position of Administrative Professional II effective June 24, 2024 at the hourly rate of \$24.00/hr; (3) promoting Jason Witte to the position of Emergency Medical Services Bureau Chief effective July 1, 2024 at the bi-weekly rate of \$4,084.35; (4) hiring Brandon Musgrove to the position of Police Officer effective July 1, 2024 at the bi-weekly rate of \$3,359.72; (5) promoting Kevin Watson to the rank of Sergeant effective June 26, 2024 at the bi-weekly rate of \$3,873.28; (6) promoting Michael Bruce to the rank of Lieutenant effective June 26, 2024 at the bi-weekly rate of \$4,454.27. These were identified on the agenda as Personnel Items 1 through 6.

MOTION made by Mr. Welch, to approve Personnel Items 1 through 6, seconded by Mrs. Becker. Discussion: The Trustees each expressed praise for the West Chester Police Department and the service performed by police officers. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Whereupon Fiscal officer Jones administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Witte, accompanied by Chief Prinz.

Thereupon Fiscal Officer Jones administered the Oath of Office to Officers Musgrove, Watson, and Bruce, accompanied by Chief Herzog and Assistant Chief Rebholz. Officer Bruce was then pinned by his father, former West Chester Township Police Chief John Bruce.

Action Items – For Approval by Motion

MOTION made by Mrs. Becker, seconded by Mr. Welch, to approve the Trustee Meeting Minutes for June 11, 2024. Discussion: none. **Motion carried unanimously.**

MOTION made by Mr. Welch, seconded by Mrs. Becker, to approve payment of bills – June 1, 2024 through June 14, 2024. Discussion: none. **Motion carried unanimously.**

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

Requisitions – Greater than \$7,500.00

Fire	\$91,960.00	Municipal Emergency Services, Inc. dba Warren Fire Equipment – Purchase 22 sets of turnout gear (CIP 1634)
Fire	\$14,708.52	Motorola Solutions, Inc. - Purchase two dual head mobile radios (CIP 1943)
PIE	\$8,279.78	Micro Center - Replace two production specialist computers (CIP 1702)
Services	\$43,890.00	The Aquatic & Garden Decor, Inc. - Purchase planters for UCB interchange and Administration building (CIP 1735 & 1698)

MOTION made by Mrs. Becker, seconded by Mr. Welch, to approve payment of requisitions 9 through 12. Discussion: Mrs. Becker expressed her appreciation that a West Chester business - Aquatic & Garden Décor - was given the business. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Business Items

MOTION made by Mrs. Becker seconded by Mr. Welch, to approve Resolution 26-2024 to accept the material terms of the OneOhio subdivision settlement and authorize the Township Administrator to execute the Participation Agreement for the OneOhio Subdivision Settlement with Kroger (“Settling Pharmacies”) pursuant to the OneOhio Memorandum of Understanding and consistent with the terms of the July 21, 2021 National Opioid Settlement Agreement. Discussion: none. **Motion carried unanimously.**

MOTION made by Mrs. Becker, seconded by Mr. Welch, to approve Charitable Gift Agreement between West Chester Township Board of Trustees and The Proctor and Gamble Company; and, authorize Township Administrator to make non-substantive changes with Law Director approval and execute said agreement. Discussion: There was spirited discussion between Mr. Welch, who spoke in opposition to the motion, and Mr. Wong, who spoke in favor of the motion. Mrs. Becker spoke in favor of the motion. **Motion carried.** Mr. Welch voted in opposition.

MOTION made by Mrs. Becker, seconded by Mr. Welch, to approve Rental Agreement between West Chester Township Board of Trustees and Ronnie Grandison Basketball Academy for youth camp at Keehner Park; and, authorize Township Administrator to make non-substantive changes with Law Director approval, and execute said Agreement 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

There were no citizen's comments.

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

There was no Second Reading & vote on pending resolutions & vote on emergency resolutions.

Discussion Items & Elected Official Comments

Mr. Wong noted several forthcoming events in the township.

Mrs. Becker commented that the Taps, Taste & Tunes festival, sponsored by Kemba Credit Union, would be July 4th through July 6th.

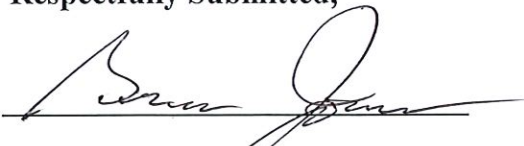
Mr. Jones wished everyone a safe and Happy Independence Day, and suggested they put aside current politics and focus on the sacrifices made by our forefathers.

Mr. Burks said he was glad to be back from his continuing education at the Harvard Kennedy School.

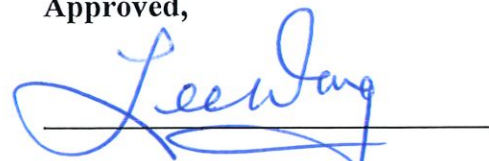
Adjournment

MOTION made at 6:57 p.m. by Mrs. Becker, seconded by Mr. Welch, to adjourn the June 25, 2024 Regular meeting. Discussion: none. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Respectfully Submitted,


Bruce Jones, Fiscal Officer

Approved,


Lee Wong, Chairperson