

**Record of Proceedings: November 13, 2012**  
**West Chester Township Board of Trustees - Regular Meeting**

Convene: President Stoker convened the meeting at 6:00 p.m..

Roll Call: Mrs. Stoker, Mr. Wong and Mr. Lang responded.

Pledge of Allegiance: Repeated by those present.

Mrs. Stoker announced that the Public Hearing previously scheduled for 7:00 p.m. has been cancelled because the application for The Cascades at Union Centre has been withdrawn by the applicant and the property owner.

Mr. Lang announced that he would be leaving the meeting at approximately 6:40 p.m. due to another commitment.

Citizen's Comments

Bruce Jones, 5685 McCarthy Court, noting the minutes for the August 28<sup>th</sup> meeting were to be discussed next on the agenda, expressed his disagreement with assertions made by Mrs. Stoker at that meeting, believed she should have recognized conciliatory comments he made to her, and noted she had submitted substantial changes to those same August 28<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes. He noted the two of them met the previous day, November 12<sup>th</sup>, to discuss the minutes, commended her for agreeing to pursue concise minutes, and asked that they perform their respective roles.

Presentations

There were no presentations

Action Items – For Approval by Motion

**MOTION** to approve the Trustee Meeting Minutes of August 28, 2012. Mr. Wong motioned approval, seconded by Mrs. Stoker. Discussion: Mr. Lang expressed his disapproval of the changes proposed by Mrs. Stoker, specifically her deletion of comments attributed to him. He also said that he and Mr. Wong recently approved minutes in her absence without any changes, and believed the practice of the Fiscal Officer providing the minutes keeps the Trustees from politicizing the minute. Mrs. Stoker responded by suggesting the August 28<sup>th</sup> minutes be modified to include comments attributed to Mr. Lang, and agreed to table them so they can look at the finished product before voting on them. Mr. Wong therein agreed to withdraw his motion to approve the August 28<sup>th</sup> minutes. Mrs. Stoker also said she's trying to make the minutes more concise, exclude personal diatribes, and more business-like. She also said that while the minutes need to be concise, the Trustees should feel free to submit what they believe was important into the minutes. Spirited discussion followed about the Eagleridge crosswalk meetings and resultant minutes. Mr. Wong said he believed those minutes were written with a "poison pen", but the minutes have since improved a lot. It was agreed the August 28<sup>th</sup> minutes would be tabled until the next meeting to allow for the re-inclusion of Mr. Lang's comments and possible discussion.

**MOTION** to approve the Trustee Meeting Minutes of October 9, 2012. Mr. Lang motioned approval, seconded by Mr. Wong. Discussion: none. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**MOTION** to approve the Trustee Meeting Minutes of October 23, 2012. Mr. Lang motioned approval, seconded by Mr. Wong. Discussion: Mrs. Stoker noted she was absent from that meeting and consequently would be abstaining. **Motion carried.**

**MOTION** to approve payment of bills: Mr. Lang motioned approval, seconded by Mr. Wong. Mrs. Boyko submitted the following requisitions greater than \$2,500:

Requisitions – Greater than \$2,500.00

1. Adm        \$265,105.00    OTARMA – Renew Township liability and property insurance (December 1, 2012 – November 30, 2013)
2. Fire        \$9,214.97        Vogelpohl Fire Equipment – Replace water tank on Engine 71, 2005 Sutphen Pumper
3. Fire        \$3,503.58        Finley Fire Equipment – Repair components on pumps on four (4) different fire apparatus
4. Fire        \$2,952.00        Lt. Jeffrey L. Edrington – Reimburse tuition per collective bargaining agreement
5. Services    \$4,959.90        Apollo Electric, Inc. – Upgrade electric at Muhlhauser Barn (CIP #237)
6. Services    \$2,930.50        Viox Services, Inc. – Replace fire control panel at WCSSC

**MOTION** for approval of requisitions 1 through 6 made by Mr. Lang, seconded by Mr. Wong. Discussion: Mrs. Boyko had noted that the Muhlhauser Barn was generating substantially more reservations than in the past and consequent surplus revenues. Mr. Wong suggested the Board could possibly have the surplus applied to the installation of HVAC so the building could be used in inclement weather. Mr. Lang expressed concern with the cost. Mrs. Boyko said she questioned if there was a cost-benefit to legitimize the cost. Mrs. Stoker said those funds might better be applied to ongoing maintenance, and she didn't believe she could support the idea though it might be a topic for discussion at a later date. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Personnel Items

Mrs. Boyko said the management team negotiated a three year contract with the Fraternal Order Of Police, Ohio Labor Council, Inc. (FOP-OLC)/Dispatchers entailing minimal changes, but provides comparable benefits to presently negotiated collective bargaining units. It also assigns the employee greater financial responsibility in their healthcare benefit. There is a 0% wage increase the first year - but includes a one-time \$750 lump sum payment to all current bargaining unit members - and a 1.5% and 2% wage increase the second and third years respectively.

**MOTION** to approve employment agreement between West Chester Township Board of Trustees and Fraternal Order Of Police, Ohio Labor Council, Inc. (FOP-OLC) effective October 1, 2012 – September 30, 2015 made by Mr. Wong, seconded by Mr. Lang. Discussion: Mr. Lang said the wages in the proposed agreement are higher than comparable wage in the private sector and cited the difficult economy as the reasons for his objections to the agreement. Mrs. Stoker said the impacted employees will be paying a 16% increased cost for their healthcare as a result of the contract. Mrs. Boyko commented that a denial of the proposed contract would result in binding arbitration. Mrs. Stoker added that going to binding arbitration risked being forced to pay an even larger increase. Mrs. Stoker and Mr. Wong voted in favor of the motion, and Mr. Lang voted in opposition. **Motion carried.**

**Mr. Lang left the meeting at 6:47 p.m.** for another commitment after asking that the Board postpone discussion of the proposed "No Parking Zones" until the next meeting.

**MOTION** made by Mr. Wong, seconded by Mrs. Stoker to hire nine (9) on-call snow plow operators on an as needed basis for the 2012-2013 winter season: Clyde Davidson, Carlton

Grant, Lawrence Henkel, Jerry Hornsby, Michael Kerr, Donna Minotto, Robert Murphy, and Adam Neill effective October 26, 2012; and Jeffrey Yeary effective November 6, 2012, all at the hourly rate of \$15.00. Discussion: none. **Motion carried.**

### Business Items

**MOTION** made by Mr. Wong to set the Tax Increment Financing Work Session for Tuesday, December 4, 2012 at 5:15 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Stoker. Discussion: Mrs. Stoker confirmed with Mr. Wong that he had no objection to that date and time, and with Mrs. Boyko that she spoke to Mr. Lang about the proposed date and time, and he had no objection. **Motion carried.**

Mrs. Boyko said an employee health care contract was negotiated with their existing provider and was pleased it entailed only a 4.96% increase in cost. She also observed that Mr. Lang would not vote on this matter if he were present due to the fact it relates to his personal business, and they could proceed with addressing it regardless of his absence.

**MOTION** to contract with Anthem and to approve medical, employer, and employee contribution rates, and terms, as attached, for plan year January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013 and to authorize the Township Administrator to make adjustments to the terms subject to the discharge of existing collective bargaining obligations without increasing the employer's rate and authorize the Township Administrator to execute said contract. Discussion: none. **Motion carried.**

Mrs. Boyko said they negotiated an employee dental care contract with their existing provider for comparable benefits, and it entailed a 4.5% increase in cost.

**MOTION** made by Mrs. Stoker, seconded by Mr. Wong, to contract with Dental Care Plus Group and approve rates for dental and vision plans for January 1, 2013 through December 2013 and authorize the Township Administrator to execute said contract. Discussion: none. **Motion carried.**

Mrs. Boyko said they sought proposals to upgrade the antiquated phone systems at the Township fire stations. They received 7 RFP's, 5 of which were deemed "responsive" to the RFP, and ultimately 2 were evaluated for cost and being fully responsive to the RFP.

**MOTION** to approve a five year agreement with Vercom for Voice Over Internet Protocol (VoIP) Unified Communication System for fire stations 72, 73, 74, and 75, not to exceed \$28,612.50, and authorize the Township Administrator to make non-substantive changes with Law Director approval and execute said agreement. Discussion: none. **Motion carried.**

**MOTION** made by Mr. Wong, seconded by Mrs. Stoker, not to object to a liquor permit transfer from Little Sonoma, Inc. to Hey Hey LLC, DBA Bella Vino Merchants, 6064 West Chester Road. Discussion: none. **Motion carried.**

Relative Mr. Lang's request before he departed, Mrs. Boyko said there would be no negative impact to delaying action on the proposed "**No Parking Zones**" on portions of Manor Drive, Minuteman Way, and Smith Road, except to engaged citizens that have attended the last few Trustee meetings awaiting a decision. Mrs. Stoker said they would delay action until their next meeting after confirming with Mr. Wong that he had no objection.

**MOTION** made by Mr. Wong, seconded by Mrs. Stoker, to approve statutory Resolution No. 16-2012 declaring surplus items for disposal. Discussion: none. **Motion carried.**

### 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 were no second readings & vote on pending resolutions, or vote on emergency resolutions.

Discussion Items & Trustees Comments

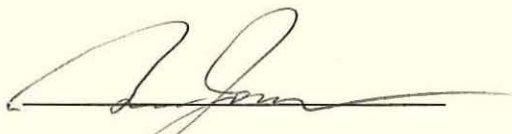
Mrs. Boyko gave an update on the governance of the National Voice of America Museum of Broadcasting since the appointment of its Board of Directors at the Trustee's March 13, 2007 meeting. She said she intends to present for Board of Trustee approval a use/lease agreement with the National Voice of America Museum of Broadcasting at the Trustees' December 4<sup>th</sup> meeting, and asked if they had any concerns or objections to a presentation on that date. They expressed none. Mrs. Stoker advised Mrs. Boyko to ask Mr. Lang if he had any concerns or objections to the December 4<sup>th</sup> date.

Mr. Wong commented that there is a new sidewalk on Beckett Ridge Blvd. linking the residential neighborhood to the schools, said it is a good amenity, and he looks forward to more sidewalks and crosswalks.

Mrs. Stoker said the sidewalk was helpful in enabling children to get safely to school. She also said the Heroes Celebration was the previous weekend, and thought the celebration earned in excess of \$20,000 to help veterans.

Adjournment

At 7:10 p.m., Mrs. Stoker asked for a motion to adjourn the Regular meeting and go into Executive Session with legal counsel for the purpose of considering and discussing personnel matters, including interpretation and provision of benefits for certain collective bargaining units; discipline of employees of a certain collective bargaining unit; acquisition, sale, or swap of real property; current and pending litigation. The Board would not return. Motion made by Mr. Wong, seconded by Mrs. Stoker. Discussion: none. **Motion carried unanimously.**



**Bruce Jones, Fiscal Officer**



**Catherine Stoker, President**