

**EAST BRANDYWINE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
WORK SESSION  
Thursday, February 4, 2016**

Those in Attendance:

Jay G. Fischer, Chairman  
Arnold M. Kring, Vice-Chairman  
Kyle Scribner, Member  
Scott T. Piersol, Township Manager  
Mark Kocsi, Chief of Police  
Matthew T. VanLew, Roadmaster  
Mary Beth Smedley, Secretary/Treasurer

Absent:

Jay G. Fischer, Vice-Chairman  
Mark Kocsi, Chief of Police

The East Brandywine Township Board of Supervisors meeting of Thursday, February 4, 2016, was called to order by Chairman Fischer at 8:00 AM at the East Brandywine Township Municipal Complex. Also in attendance were Bob Pringle, the MileMarker Editor, Nina Pringle, the MileMarker graphic designer and one other visitor.

**Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items**

Chairman Fischer asked if there were any comments from the public on non-agenda items. There were no public comments.

**Minutes:                    Planning Commission – January 6, 2016**

Chairman Fischer asked if there were any additions or corrections to the above minutes. There were none. Vice-Chairman Kring made a motion to approve the Planning Commission minutes of November 4, 2015, as presented. Mr. Scribner seconded the motion, with all voting Aye.

**Land Development Plan Review Extensions**

- a. East Brandywine Center – Vice-Chairman Kring made a motion to grant an extension of the review period on the East Brandywine Center land development application until February 29, 2016. Mr. Scribner seconded the motion, with all voting Aye.
- b. McElya/Animal Resorts – Vice-Chairman Kring made a motion to grant an extension of the review period for the Animal Resorts application until May 14, 2016. Mr. Scribner seconded the motion, with all voting Aye.

**McMahon Proposal – Survey & concept plan proposal for trail connection from HeatherWynd West across Hopewell HOA Open Space “D”**

Chairman Fischer explained that this proposal authorized McMahon Transportation Engineers & Planning to conduct a feasibility study to evaluate potential trail alignments, develop a

conceptual trail exhibit and identify easement areas for the trail. Hopewell Homeowner's Association has granted permission to complete this study. If the trail is constructed, it may require a change in the location of the proposed HeatherWynd West trail connection around a detention basin since it will be a better area for the trail connection. Mr. Kring made a motion to accept the McMahon proposal. Mr. Scribner seconded the motion, with all voting Aye.

### **Ordinance Task Force Items**

- a. Vice-Chairman Kring made a motion to advertise a zoning amendment to the Riparian Buffer ordinance for March 3, 2015. Mr. Scribner seconded the motion, with all voting Aye.
- b. Vice-Chairman Kring made a motion to submit the revised Changeable (LED or electronic) signs amendment to the County Planning Commission for their Act 247 review. Mr. Scribner seconded the motion, with all voting Aye.
- c. Vice-Chairman Kring made a motion to submit the revised Definitions Chapter to the County Planning Commission for their Act 247 review. Mr. Scribner seconded the motion, with all voting Aye.
- d. Vice-Chairman Kring made a motion to submit an amendment to Article XII Historical Resource Protection Standards to the County Planning Commission for their Act 247 review. Mr. Scribner seconded the motion, with all voting Aye.
- e. Vice-Chairman Kring made a motion to submit an amendment to Section 350-59 As-Built Plans to the County Planning Commission for their Act 247 review. Mr. Scribner seconded the motion, with all voting Aye.

### **Approval of the First Amendment to the Settlement Agreement of December 3, 2015 – Pulte Phase 5B**

Alyson Zarro, Esq., attorney for Pulte Homes, attended the meeting to discuss the amendment. She explained the amendment simply removes Court jurisdiction from the Settlement Agreement. This amendment has been reviewed by the Township Solicitor who is recommending that it is ready for the Board's consideration. Mr. Kring made a motion to approve this amendment to the Settlement Agreement. Mr. Scribner seconded the motion, with all voting Aye.

### **FEMA will require PA municipalities to update their floodplain management regulations by the Spring of 2017**

Mr. Piersol attended a community outreach meeting hosted by FEMA several weeks ago to discuss revisions to their floodplain management regulations; model language to update Township regulations was provided for municipalities to consider. Mr. Piersol has subsequently discussed this with Mr. Sweet and it will be discussed at future Ordinance Task Force meetings.

FEMA has suggested this be a stand-alone ordinance however, Mr. Piersol isn't sure what direction the Task Force will take since it will need to tie into other Township ordinances and regulations.

### **January Snow Removal Update**

Mr. VanLew reported that this January snow storm clean-up efforts were complicated by the amount of snow, drifting and accessing some of the streets because PennDOT roads weren't cleared. In addition, the Road Department did spend additional time helping emergency vehicles access a fire on East Fisherville Road. Overall, he said the Road Department did a good job and all roads have one lane opened within 36 hours of the snowfall ending and both lanes opened within 72 hours.

Mr. Scribner thanked Mr. VanLew and the Road Department for their efforts. He did suggest that the Township consider installing location markers for fire hydrants so they can be easily found if there is a fire during a snow storm.

### **Recognition of Bob and Nina Pringle – MileMarker – PSATS Award**

Chairman Fischer provided Certificates of Appreciation to Bob and Nina Pringle for their work on the Township's award winning MileMarker Newsletter. The MileMarker was awarded second place in PSATS Citizen Communications Contest for communities with populations between 5,001 and 10,000. This is the 9<sup>th</sup> time the State has recognized the Township with a citizen communications award, and the 7<sup>th</sup> time for our newsletter. Chairman Fischer, Vice-Chairman Kring, Mr. Scribner, Mr. Piersol and Township staff joined in thanking Mr. and Mrs. Pringle for their efforts in publishing such a professional, informative newsletter.

### **Additional Public Comments**

Chairman Fischer asked if there were additional comments from the audience. Mr., Pringle asked if the Board could provide an update on the Fire Company. Chairman Fischer said that a meeting has been scheduled with West Brandywine representatives for next week to discuss this. He also said that several years ago Upper Uwchlan Township devised a formula to determine the calculations for what they pay each Fire Company serving the municipality for Fire Service. He hopes that a formula can be agreed upon.

### **Other Business**

Vice-Chairman Kring reported that he and Mr. Piersol recently attended a Western Chester County Council on Governments Meeting. Caln Township is expecting to have several large developments under construction within the next several years. Two of these developments will be along the Rt. 322 corridor and will likely have a major impact on traffic near the East Brandywine/Caln Township border.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, Mr. Kring moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 A.M. Mr. Scribner seconded the motion, with all voting Aye.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mary Beth Smedley". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Mary Beth Smedley  
Secretary/Treasurer