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The Wayne Township Supervisors, 1418 Wampum Road, Ellwood City, PA 16117 held its Re-Organizational and monthly Supervisor Board Meeting on Monday, January 3, 2012 at 9:00 a.m.

Meeting opened with the "Pledge of Allegiance" lead by Supervisor, Charles Hutchison and prayer by Supervisor, Bruce Badger. Also in attendance was Supervisor William Hepler; Township Solicitor, Ryan Long; and Secretary/Treasurer, Shari D. Baney.

Re-Organization of Officials of Wayne Township 2012

Vacancies: Planning Position – Ellen Ruckert	--	Motion by Badger, 2nd by Hutchison. 3 Ayes
Vacancies: Sewer Authority – William Hepler	--	Motion by Badger; 2nd by Hutchison, 3 Ayes
Chairman, Charles Hutchison	--	Motion by Badger, 2nd by Hepler, Hutchison abstained
Vice-Chairman: Bruce Badger	--	Motion by Hutchison; 2nd by Hepler, Badger abstained
Roadmaster: Charles Hutchison	--	Motion by Badger; 2nd by Hepler. 3 Ayes
Supervisor liaison/Agriculture: Rick Weingartner	--	Motion by Badger; 2nd by Hutchison – 3Ayes
Supervisor/Police: * Charles Hutchison	--	Motion by Badger; 2nd by Hepler 3Ayes
Supervisor/COG: Bruce Badger	--	Motion by Hutchison, 2nd by Hepler – 3 Ayes
Alternate: *Charles Hutchison	--	Motion by Badger, 2nd by Hepler – 3 Ayes
Bank: ESB Bank	--	Motion by Badger, 2nd by Hutchison – 3 Ayes
Secretary/Treasurer: Shari Baney, 25 +cents	--	Motion by Badger, 2nd by Hutchison – 3 Ayes
Solicitor: Ryan Long (no change)	--	Motion by Badger; 2nd by Hutchison – 3 Ayes
Engineer: Taylor Engineering (no change)	--	Motion by Badger; 2nd by Hutchison – All in favor
Code/Sewerage Enforc.Officer: Mourice Waltz. (no change)		Motion by Badger; 2nd by Hutchison -- All in favor
Code Enforcement Officer: – Jeff Richardson (no change)		Motion by Badger; 2nd by Hutchison – All in favor
Police Chief: William Betz, Jr.	Salary: 11.50 @ hr. 40 hrs/mo	-Motion by Badger, 2nd by Hutchison – 3Ayes
Assistant Chief: Chris Hardie	Salary: 11.00 @ hr. 20 hrs/mo	-Motion by Hutchison, 2nd by Badger – 3Ayes
Lieutenant: Brian Damon	Salary: 11.00 @ hr. 40 hrs/mo	-Motion by Hutchison; 2nd by Badger – 3 Ayes
Sergeant: Matthew Liberatore	Salary: 11.00 @ hr. 20 hrs mo	" " " " "
Patrolman: Richard McCronich	Salary: 11.00 @ hr. 20 hrs/mo	" " " " "

$150.00 clothing allowance - 40 hrs mo; 40 or less hrs - $75.00 yr. - Motion by Hutchison; 2nd by Badger; 3 Ayes
Meetings Day: First Thursday of each month Time: 7:00 p.m - Motion by Badger; 2nd by Hutchison – 3 Ayes
Authorization to attend State Convention: 3 supervisors, secretaries, solicitor - Motion by Hutchison, 2nd by Badger – 3 Ayes
Convention Voting Delegate: Chas Hutchison; Alt: Bruce Badge - Motion by Hutchison; 2nd by Badger –3Ayes
Open Records Delegate: Shari D.Baney, Sec't/Treas - Motion by Hutchison ; 2nd by Badger. All in favor.
Chairman of Vacancy Board: Rosina Betz - Motion by Hutchison; 2nd by Badger. 3Ayes
Member/Agriculture Board: Rick Weingartner - Motion by Hutchison; 2nd by Badger. 3 Ayes
Member/Planning Commission: David Nerti - Motion by Hutchison; 2nd by Badger. 3Ayes
Member/Sewer Authority: Quinn Metheny - Motion by Hutchison ; 2nd by Badger. 3 Ayes
Emergency Mgmt Coordinator: Wesley Cunningham Motion by Hutchison; 2nd by Hepler . 3 Ayes
Road Department Employees: PT: – Supervisor, Bruce Badger; FT: James Hamilton ; Charles Hutchison; .
Motion to accept employees, 50 cent inc.: Hutchison; 2nd by Badger – 3Ayes
Follow the 2012 regular Law. Co. Vacation & Holiday Sched.: Motion by Hutchison ; 2nd Badger. 3 Ayes

Mileage: 55 cents/mile -- Motion by Badger, 2nd Hutchison. All in favor.
*Real Estate Tax Rate: General: .089 of 1.5 mil Bldg/Equip: .069 of 1 mil Street Light Tax rate: Done by Ordinance - $44.00/annually Aetna Dr:57/14 Bridge St:57/14 Burnstown:75/19 Chewton:77/19 Joffre St:62/15 Park Gate:62/15 Twelth St:66/16 Wurt:54/13 - footage
Fire Hydrant Tax rate: remain same Burnstown: 3.75 Lundy Lane: 5 Park Gate: 5.25 Twelth St: 6.5 Wampum. Rd: 5.50 Woodside Ave: 4 Wurt: 5.50 - rate in mills – Hutchison made a motion to approve all & to not increase the Hydrant & Street Tax millage ($44/per household); -- 2nd by Hepler. All in favor.
Fees: Building Permits – Set by Sq Footage and Driveway Permits: $20.00 --
Accident reports: $20.00; Junkyard Permits: $150.00 (includes inspect. fee) + --
Lien Letters: $20; Rd Opening: $150. Repairs: as needed; --
Copies: .25/pg +postage. … All, motion by Hutchison; 2nd by Badger. All in favor.

Resolution 1 of 2012 – ESB Bank as the Bank for 2012 – motion was made by Badger, 2nd by Hutchison. 3 Ayes

Recycle bin discussion. Pickup days are: Sunday, Monday, & Wednesday. Discussed the recycle abuse and a means to cut-down and enforce the offenders. It was suggested putting in another bin. Hutchison made a motion to table the recycle action; Badger 2nd. All in favor.

Junkyard inspection, Muletrain – Kirchel's. Inspection was sent to M. Waltz's office.

Cleaning service resignation. Motion was made by Badger to accept Mary Lou Goebel's resignation and to advertise for a replacement cleaning person; 2nd by Hutchison. All in favor.

Hutchison made a motion to advertise for a **FT road-worker** with a CDL due to the resignation of Dennis Hall. Hall accepted another job elsewhere. A PT position was already advertised for. Badger 2nd the motion. 3 Ayes

Hutchison made a motion to open the resumes for a **PT police officer** and have Chief Betz review them. 2nd by Badger. All in favor.

Hutchison made a motion, for the three applicants that applied for the **PT road position,** be called to come in for an interview. 2nd by Badger. All in favor. Those people can re-apply for the full time position.

Hutchison made a motion to **Accept the Minutes** from last month. 2nd by Badger. All in favor.

Badger made a motion to approve the **Financial Reports**. Hutchison 2nd it. All in favor.

No **Solicitor Report**—
No **Supervisor Report**—

Public Input –
Ann Graham questioned why so many police officers: Chief, Asst. Chief, Sergeant, Officer. Response: All Wayne Township officers work PT with no benefits, under a $25,000.00 budget.
*She does not want any spraying going on down at her place.

Lenore Bazzichi asked why Wayne Township police are never on duty, that the State Police are always called out. She suggested a police schedule needed to be met based on the township's needs. Supervisors stated 130 hours are allotted for officers. It was mentioned Chris Hardie, since his recent retirement, is now available to assist the Township and its needs. She wanted to know if the township could do a study. Officer Hardie addressed the question, saying the Wayne Township people are sitting ducks for robberies during the day while people are working, so there is a need for daylight officers. Hutchison said to cover Wayne Township, they would need 720 hours of officers that is was not in the budget.
*Leonore reiterated the drains needs cleaned-up & fixed at the RR Ave area.

Ellport resident, Neil Foley, suggested the township follow a similar police contract where Ellport is under contract with Ellwood City that worked very well. Hardie said Wayne Township surrounds Ellwood City and it is a very big area. It would cost the township a lot of money.

Public Input, continued—

Cornell Jerome questioned the police officer's cell phone for communication. He recommended a track phone where you are charged a monthly rate plus minutes. If you do not use those minutes, they are carried over.
*Questioned the use, cost, and upkeep of the white work vehicle the supervisors use.
*Questioned last year's road crew work. Badger said two new people are in-place.
*Mentioned last year's paving project needed berms.

Tootie Welsh – gave an update on Zoning. The committee has been working on it for 3 years. She said Maurice Waltz has not helped, that he has asked for written questions and he would address them.
*She asked why, after 20 years, has the junkyard rules been changed? Wanted to know the need for inspections and why the township created a new ordinance. She mentioned the costs of fencing or natural privacy trees could amount to $400 a tree.

Road Maintenance question from Quinn Metheny. Do we have a plan in place for berms and grass cutting along township roads, especially Mount Hope and Camp Allegheny? Criticized grass cutting, said the late August cut is not acceptable, should be a minimum of two cuts a year. Badger said the township was working with a shortage of people, that Jim was not available all year.
*Snow removal, who is handling that? Ans: Chuck
*Question about Dennis Hall turning in his resignation. What was the need for a resignation? Hall was a worker then a supervisor. Solicitor Long said you can continue to work as a worker after being a working supervisor. Cornell Jerome argued Long's response.
*Recycling abuse, why don't we prosecute the offenders? We need to track this, monitor, etc. Ellwood City needs to kick in if they want to use it. Hutchison said he tried to get the Wayne Township Fire Dept to place bins at their location and it was rejected.
*SEO, Junkyard, Bldg, etc., Maurice Waltz. He is the Code Enforcement, Sewage, Building Permits Officer. Richardson inspects.

Paul Wise offered his help if the township needs a hand.

Badger made a motion to adjourn the meeting. 2nd by Hutchison. All in favor. 10:30 a.m.

Marie D. Barney