

WILKINS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ADDITIONAL STATED MEETING, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2005

The Additional Stated Meeting of Monday, September 26, 2005 was brought to order by President William Wilson at 7:00 PM. A quorum was present as follows:

Mr. Wilson		Mrs. Martinelli
Mr. Greco	Mr. Padula	Ms. Fialla

Bid Opening: 1994 Ford F-350 4x4 Dump with Plow & Spreader

Mrs. Bradley stated that at the last meeting (September 12, 2005), four bids were opened and read for the sale of the 1994 Dump Truck. Based upon her recommendation, the Board awarded the bid to Mr. Al Gaudino at an apparent high bid of \$3,668.00. The next morning, Mr. Facchiano called inquiring about the bid results. When informed of Gaudino's bid, Mr. Facchiano claimed that his bid was higher. It was then discovered that Mr. Facchiano's bid, which was received prior to the deadline, was in the folder and had been missed. After receiving direction from legal counsel, Mrs. Bradley spoke with Gaudino who signed a waiver of his right to be present at the bid opening and also advising him that the Board may rescind their motion awarding the bid to Gaudino in the event that Facchiano's bid was higher. Mrs. Bradley stated that, if there was no objection from the Board, she would like to open Mr. Facchiano's bid this evening.

Mr. Facchiano bid \$4,000.00 for the dump truck and included a bid bond in the amount of ten-percent of the bid price.

(5-196) MOVED MARTINELLI-GRECO to rescind the motion made at the meeting of September 12, 2005, awarding the bid for the sale of the 1994 Ford F-350 Dump Truck with plow and spreader to Mr. Al Gaudino of Freedom, Pennsylvania. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

(5-197) MOVED MARTINELLI-GRECO to award the bid for the sale of the 1994 Ford F-350 Dump Truck with plow and spreader to Mr. Facchiano of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

(5-198) MOVED MARTINELLI-GRECO to approve the minutes of the Public Meeting of September 12, 2005, as presented. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

(5-199) MOVED PADULA-GRECO to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of September 12, 2005 with the following corrections: Under Citizen's Comments, Mr. Worrall; Mr. McKay stated that the Township does have the authority to assign street addresses in conjunction with the U.S. Postal Service. Under Citizens Comments, Ms. Cononie's comments, change "Mr." to "Ms." Under Commissioner Martinelli Comments (Commissioners' Comments), change "Graff" to "McGrath" and change "for attending the meeting" to "for being good neighbors."

Citizen's Comments:

Mrs. McGrath, 269 Penhurst Drive once again questioned why Mr. Cambest was not in attendance as Solicitor for the Board. She asked if the Commissioners knew why he was not in attendance. She stated that she believes that if the Board of Commissioners appointed a person to the position of Solicitor, he should be in attendance at the meeting. Also requested clarification on whether the Board appointed a person or a law firm to the position of Solicitor. Mrs. McGrath requested a copy of the Solicitor's proposal for services.

Gary Gilchrest, President Woodland Hills Emergency Management Board: Requesting consideration of the payment by the Township of a \$2.00 per capita fee for the year 2006.

Paul Padula, PNC Bank, requesting permission to borrow seven art display screens from October 22, 2005 through October 28, 2005.

- (5-200) MOVED MARTINELLI-FIALLA to authorize Mr. Padula, on behalf of PNC Bank, to borrow seven art display screens from October 22, 2005 through October 28, 2005. The motion was adopted by a 4-1 vote with Mr. Padula abstaining.
- (5-201) MOVED GRECO-FIALLA to approve the recommendation of Chief Guthrie to purchase four (4) shotguns at a price of \$3,380.00 as outlined in his memorandum of September 23, 2005, contingent upon his securing of two (2) additional bids for the purchase and further contingent upon his securing of three (3) bids for the purchase of gun racks for the police vehicles. The funding for these shot guns will be taken from the \$10,296.15 received from the US Department of Justice in a forfeiture case and received by the Township in July of 2005. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.
- (5-202) MOVED MARTINELLI-PADULA to accept the recommendation of Mr. Vargo to jointly purchase an EnviroSight Remote Control Camera and related equipment from A & H Equipment with the Borough of Forest Hills at a total cost of \$94,464.23, with the Township's share of the cost set at \$40,982.11. A & H Equipment is an approved vendor through the City of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania Capital City contract (PACC). The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.
- (5-203) MOVED PADULA-MARTINELLI to authorize the Manager to advertise for alternates for the Civil Service Board. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.
- (5-204) MOVED MARTINELLI-GRECO to approve the request of the Republican Committee to use the Conference Room at the Municipal Building on the first Tuesday of each month on a permanent basis. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.
- (5-205) MOVED PADULA-MARTINELLI to approve the request of the Recreation Advisory Committee to send out letters seeking donations contingent upon their compliance with the Township's Fund Raising Policy. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.
- (5-206) MOVED GRECO-PADULA to authorize the Township Manager to prepare an advertisement for a public hearing to be held on Monday, October 10, 2005, beginning at 6:30 PM for the purpose of hearing public comments on proposed Ordinance #973, authorizing a two year tax abatement on improvements upon 8.80 acres of unimproved land formerly known as Swiss Farm Dairy. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 11-05

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WILKINS, ALLEGHENY COUNTY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF WILKINS REPRESENTATIVE TO THE BOARD OF THE EASTERN REGIONAL COMMUNICATION CENTER TO VOTE IN FAVOR OF THE DISSOLUTION OF THE EASTERN REGIONAL COMMUNICATION CENTER.

- (5-207) MOVED MARTINELLI-FIALLA to adopt Resolution No. 11-2005. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Commissioners' Comments:

Mr. Padula questioned whether Hydrotech had responded to the correspondence from Mrs. Bradley regarding their lack of performance in accordance with their contract. Mr. McKeever stated that he had received a copy of the dye test results and the Township should be receiving them. He believes that Hydrotech began video taping sewer lines again today, but has not received confirmation yet.

Mrs. Martinelli: No Comments.

Mr. Greco: No Comments.

Ms. Fialla thanked Mrs. Bradley for admitting her mistake in the bid opening and proposed that a process be instituted within the Administrative Office to ensure that this mistake does not reoccur.

Executive Session: The Board recessed into Executive Session at 8:05 PM and reconvened at 8:25 PM. During executive session, the Board discussed the Recreation Advisory Board's recommendation for contract negotiations with Tropical Amusements and discussed a personnel issue.

(5-208) MOVED PADULA-MARTINELLI to approve the recommendation of the Recreation Advisory Committee to offer a three (3) year contract to Tropical Amusement for Community Days. The first year of the contract to include a payment to the Township in the amount of 25% of gross ticket sales plus \$50.00 for each food and game booth. The second and third years of the contract to remain open for percent of payment to the Township in gross ticket sales. Tropical Amusements to be responsible in all three years for the preparation costs for posters. The contract is contingent upon the Township receiving permission from the Soffer Organization for the use of the property located at Penn Center.

(5-209) MOVED PADULA-MARTINELLI to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 PM. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Bradley
Secretary