

**COUNCIL MEETING  
FEBRUARY 27, 2012**

In attendance:

Council

Mark McCouch  
Andrew Santacroce  
Deborah Tustin

Staff

William T. Walker, Township Manager  
Richard Sabol - Finance Director  
Mary Eberle, Esq. - Solicitor  
Erik Garton, PE - Engineer

Absent: Gregory S. Nesbitt  
W. William Whiteside, III

President McCouch opened the Council Meeting at 7:04 p.m. in the Township Building, 1025 Horsham Road, Horsham, PA, and led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. President McCouch asked for questions or comments from the public and there were none.

Mr. Walker provided an HLRA report. He identified the following: the three local BRAC locations, the status of property transfers at the BRAC locations, the installation of a new gate and security area, the naming of a new commander, recent visits by state officials, the status of the Delaware Valley Historical Aircraft Association (DVHAA) lease, the scheduled March 15 meeting of HLRA with PENNDOT, the status of the re-use plan and public comments, and the HLRA's next meeting to be held on Wednesday, March 21 @ 3:00 p.m. in the Township Building.

President McCouch asked for the will of Council concerning the List of Checks. It was moved by Mr. Santacroce, seconded by Mrs. Tustin, to approve and authorize payment of the List of Checks in the amount of \$236,154.44. Motion passed unanimously.

Council reviewed the zoning hearing board applications for April 2012: Michael and Deanna Petrowski, 111 Catbrier Way – Residential application – Council will remain neutral to the application

Robert J. Coffey and Sharon F. Creeden, 111 Hidden Creek Drive - Residential application – Council will remain neutral to the application

Council reviewed a request by United Parcel Service (UPS) to amend Blair Mill Road improvements in the approved land development plan, 07-8-D. At issue were turning lanes into the facility. Mr. Santacroce made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Tustin, to approve the request by United Parcel Service (UPS), subject to PENNDOT approval, to amend the Blair Mill Road improvements in the approved land development plan 07-8-D, with possible conditions to include a fee in lieu of improvements in the amount of \$185,898.90. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Walker identified key components of the NAS-JRB Willow Grove Base Redevelopment Plan, and this was followed by Council discussion. Ms. Tustin then made a motion, seconded by Mr. Santacroce, to authorize a letter of support for the NAS-JRB Willow Grove Base Development Plan. Motion passed unanimously and, at the HLRA meeting of March 21, the Plan will be finalized and submitted to Federal authorities by a March 31 deadline.

Mr. Walker identified an area of the municipality around Limekiln Pike and Grindleton Lane that tested positive for PCE contamination. He stated that three test wells are being proposed by the Department of Environmental Protection to monitor and identify the source of the contamination. Council then discussed an Agreement with the PA Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP) to install monitoring wells on Township property. Mr. Santacroce made a motion, seconded by Ms. Tustin, to authorize the execution of an agreement with PADEP to install monitoring wells on Township property. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Walker explained that Berkheimer and Associates, the municipality's collector of Act 511 taxes, requires a resolution authorizing "empowering and directing the proper officers of the governing body to appoint a liaison." Council discussed a resolution appointing liaisons to Berkheimer Associates for the purpose of sharing information for official purposes. Ms. Tustin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Santacroce, to adopt the Resolution as proposed appointing liaisons to Berkheimer Associates for the purpose of sharing information for official purposes.

Roll Call Vote:

McCouch: Aye            Santacroce: Aye            Tustin: Aye

Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Walker introduced an ordinance prohibiting dogs, whether licensed or unlicensed, from running at large within the municipality; establishing certain controls on dogs owned by residents, non-residents, and visitors of the municipality; and the imposition of penalties for violations. He stated that Horsham Township had an ordinance, but due to the Pennsylvania Dog Law, it was not included in the 2005 codification.

Mr. Santacroce made a motion, seconded by Ms. Tustin, to introduce the ordinance as proposed establishing certain controls on dogs to include running at large within the Township and hereby authorizing advertisement of same.

Roll Call Vote:

McCouch: Aye            Santacroce: Aye            Tustin: Aye

Motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m. to an Executive Session for the purpose of discussing real estate and personnel matters.

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William T. Walker