# UPPER MERION TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FEBRUARY 17, 2011

The Board of Supervisors of Upper Merion Township met for a Business Meeting on Thursday, February 17, 2011, in Freedom Hall, in the Township Building in King of Prussia. The meeting was called to order at 7:40 p.m., followed by a pledge to the flag.

# ROLL CALL:

Supervisors present were: Greg Waks, Joseph Bartlett, Edward McBride, Bill Jenaway and Erika Spott. Also present were: Ron Wagenmann, Township Manager; Joseph Pizonka, Township Solicitor; Russ Benner, Township Engineer; Judith A. Vicchio, Assistant Township Manager.

### MEETING MINUTES:

It was moved by Mr. Bartlett, seconded by Mr. Jenaway, all voting "Aye" to approve the January 20, 2011 Business Meeting Minutes, the February 3, 2011 Business Meeting Minutes and the February 3, 2011 Special Meeting (Comcast Hearing) as submitted. None opposed. Motion approved 5-0.

# CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS:

No comments.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

# CONSENT AGENDA:

- 1. Resolution 2011-8 re: Records Retention
- 2. Permission to Advertise re:
  - a. Receive Bids for Park Maintenance Contracts
  - b. Request for Proposals: Towing Services
- 3. Bid Recommendations re: 2011 Consortium Fuel Contract(s)
  - Mansfield Oil Company Gasoline Contract
  - Ports Petroleum Oil Company Diesel Contract
- 4. Board Policies re:
  - a. Compensation for Attending the Annual State/County Conventions
  - b. Board of Supervisors Notification of Projects, Plans, Permits, Activities and Events
  - c. Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Authorities
  - d. Code of Ethics
- 5. Agreement w/Central Montco Technical High School re: Use of Fire Truck

# Board Action:

It was moved by Mr. Waks, seconded by Mr. Bartlett, all voting "Aye" to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted, with the exception of item e under Board Policies which was considered separately. None opposed. Motion approved 5-0.

e. Vehicle & Fleet Policy/Use of Township-Owned/Leased Vehicles

## Board Comment:

Mr. Jenaway stated that while he did not have issues with the majority of the policy, he had a concern that there are some township vehicles marked with vivid "Upper Merion Township" logos that spend an excessive majority of time outside the township. For this reason he requested that this portion of the policy be redrafted.

Mrs. Spott asked for an explanation as to why the vehicles are outside the township.

Mr. Jenaway responded that it is his understanding that some vehicles are allowed to be taken home outside the township during non operational hours. He pointed out that some other communities have addressed this same practice by having the marked vehicles taken to the nearest public owned facility closest to the border in which they would commute. From that point personal cars are used so that the township vehicle remains within the community and thereby available should it be needed for other activities.

## **Board Action:**

It was moved by Mr. Waks, seconded by Mr. Jenaway, to approve item e of the Consent Agenda as submitted. Mr. McBride and Mr. Waks voted "Aye" and Mr. Jenaway, Mrs. Spott and Mr. Bartlett voted "Nay." Motion failed 3-2.

# HEARING RE: AMENDMENT TO SEWER RATE ORDINANCE

Joseph Pizonka, Township Solicitor, stated that this hearing was properly advertised in the <u>Times Herald</u> on February 4, 2011.

Mr. Nick Hiriak, Director of Finance, stated that this ordinance follows the legal parameters that are required to update this ordinance with new budgetary figures that reflect the increase of the residential sewer rates from the \$52 rate to the \$54 rate and is in accordance with the 2011 budget adoption.

Mr. Wagenmann clarified that this applies not only to the residential rates, but also the commercial rates.

## **Board Action:**

It was moved by Mr. Bartlett, seconded by Mrs. Spott, all voting "Aye" to approve Ordinance No. 2011-797 as submitted. None opposed. Motion approved 5-0. Ordinance No. 2011-797 was adopted and will be filed in Ordinance Book 15.

# ALLENDALE ROAD BRIDGE REPLACEMENT – DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION PROPOSAL

Mr. Ron Wagenmann, Township Manager, stated that Pennoni Associates, as the township's appointed engineer, prepared this proposal to do the design and obtain all the necessary permits to repair the Allendale Road bridge which is located at the entrance to the Court. Mr. Wagenmann reported that the bridge is inspected on a biannual basis and PennDOT reports that there are some structural deficiencies that need to be addressed. The bridge has been posted and its weight limits reduced. In order to prevent further deterioration these repairs must be made. Mr. Wagenmann explained that the actual repair will entail replacing the total superstructure of this bridge. Mr. Wagenmann noted the township is eligible for 80% reimbursement of bridge replacement costs and staff is in the process of making application to the state for this grant. In order to make this happen, it will be necessary to get the bridge project on the next bridge replacement bill which is a grant program where the township can proceed and expend funds without penalty. The state will recognize the expenditure of those funds as the township moves forward with the project. Concurrently, Pennoni Associates will move ahead with the design work. The proposal includes the full design of the bridge, getting all of the permits from DEP and the various agencies and putting it out to bid.

#### Board Comment:

Mr. Jenaway commented that this is a critical bridge in Upper Merion Township and a major artery. Action must be taken to make sure that this roadway is safe.

Mr. Waks noted the urgency of this matter and emphasized this is not just standard maintenance but something that has to be done.

Mr. McBride asked about any uniqueness to construction of this bridge or what is required to do the repair. Mr. Brian Keaveney, Traffic Engineer, responded that the unique aspect of the bridge is its location and the volume of traffic that it handles. He noted it is a fairly short structure, only 28 feet in length and it is actually wider than it is long. Due to the weight of the delivery vehicles to the mall and the heavy fire trucks that travel over the bridge, a design is needed that will not only support the bridge weight but also not interfere with the existing hydraulic opening. Mr. Keaveney explained that to interfere with that hydraulic opening would put this into a whole other level of review with DEP. The unique characteristics are to hold the existing constraints as far as the bottom of the existing beams and the top of the roadway.

Mr. McBride asked for an explanation of the hydraulic opening. Mr. Keaveney responded that it is a matter of how the bridge structure will affect the flow of the underlying body of water which in this case is Crow Creek (also known as Abrams Run). With a change in the hydraulic opening, a fairly robust study of the upstream and down stream effects would be necessary which is something they would rather avoid.

Mr. McBride asked if there is anything they have looked at so far that makes them think that the hydraulic opening will have to be changed. Mr. Keaveney responded in the negative. He said so far Pennoni believes they can keep that condition the same as it is today.

Mr. Bartlett asked if there is an expansion pool upstream from that location underneath the parking lot at the shopping center. Mr. Wagenmann responded in the affirmative. He said there are two large culverts that are located underneath the parking lot garage which are the stormwater detention facilities for the Court shopping center. When the flow is directed into the culverts it is stored and released over time and ultimately gets discharged into Crow Creek or Abrams Run.

Mr. Wagenmann noted that Pennoni would be doing all the design work and obtaining all the permits with the objective of going out to bid early 2012 with a notice to proceed with the spring start up of the 2012 construction season.

# **Board Action:**

It was moved by Mr. Bartlett, seconded by Mr. Waks, all voting "Aye" to approve the proposal as submitted. None opposed. Motion approved 5-0.

### CITIZEN BOARD APPOINTMENTS

On behalf of the Board of Supervisors, Mr. McBride expressed appreciation to everyone who participated in the process and thanked everyone who is currently serving on any of the township's citizen boards. He noted this is an extremely beneficial contribution to the quality of life in Upper Merion Township. Mr. McBride stated there were a number of quality candidates interviewed and he listed the suggested appointments to the various citizen boards and asked for a motion to approve those nominees.

Subsequent to the motion made by Mr. Bartlett, seconded by Mr. Jenaway to approve the suggested appointments outlined by Mr. McBride, Mrs. Spott asked for a discussion.

### **Board Comment:**

Mrs. Spott proposed taking each citizen board one at a time and pointed out that as yet there is no vacancy on the Police Advisory Board.

Mr. McBride agreed to vote on each board separately.

Mrs. Spott asked for clarification on the candidate being proposed for the Environmental Advisory Council since she is not aware that the applicant had any interest in it.

Mr. McBride responded that this will be reconciled when the vote is taken.

# ENVIRONMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

Mr. McBride stated that the three nominees proposed for the Environmental Advisory Council are Ed Campbell, Jacquelin Camp and Sandy Moskowitz.

## Board Comment:

Mrs. Spott stated that Ed Campbell applied for the Zoning Hearing Board and when she attended the interview he expressed that interest and also an interest in the Planning Commission. Mrs. Spott did not hear him express any interest in the Environmental Advisory Council (EAC) and she asked if anyone checked with Mr. Campbell to see if he, in fact, wanted to be on the EAC.

Mr. McBride responded that Mr. Campbell specifically said that he did not want to be considered for the Planning Commission and Mr. McBride believed that based on his résumé, the EAC would be a good appointment for him.

Mr. Waks said that he believes Mrs. Spott was asking if Mr. Campbell specifically wanted to be appointed to this board [EAC].

Mr. McBride said that Mr. Campbell was not specific but said that he wanted to be involved in the township.

Mr. Waks asked if anyone confirmed with Mr. Campbell that he would accept this appointment.

Mr. McBride responded in the negative and said Mr. Campbell did not rule out serving on another board.

Mrs. Spott commented she would not want to appoint him and then have him say he was not interested and have to go through the whole interview process again. Mrs. Spott said she would rather keep Mr. Campbell as a potential candidate for the Zoning Hearing Board. She realizes it is not the candidate that is on the suggested list but that was Mr. Campbell's reason for coming in and applying. Mrs. Spott added the same would go for Jacquelin Camp. She said Ms. Campbell came in under the Environmental Advisory Council, but during the interview because of her qualifications of being a professional and an architect and involved in exactly the type of work that is crucial to the Planning Commission, she also expressed an interest in serving on either one of those boards. Mrs. Spott suggested taking the vote on the Planning Commission and Zoning Hearing Board first.

Mr. McBride said during the interview process Ms. Camp specifically said the Planning Commission would be a problem for her.

In a subsequent telephone conversation Mrs. Spott said she confirmed with Ms. Camp the Planning Commission would not be a problem after all. In light of that Mrs. Spott stated the Board of Supervisors should not rule her out for the Planning Commission.

Mr. McBride stated the process is what it is and based on the interview the process has moved forward. He took issue with the telephone call that was made after the fact and reiterated that during the interview Ms. Camp said the Planning Commission would probably be a problem.

Mrs. Spott responded she believes there are no prohibitions for making a clarifying telephone call.

Mr. McBride stated the interview process was carried out in accordance with the procedure and the Board of Supervisors is ready to appoint Ms. Camp to her first choice. Mr. McBride noted she had a number of great ideas for the EAC which encouraged him during the interview at which time she specifically said being considered for the Planning Commission would be a problem.

Mr. Waks asked that the nominees for the Zoning Hearing Board and the Planning Commission be considered first since these two positions are causing the discussion and once they are resolved everything else will fall into place.

Mrs. Spott said she is disappointed that an extremely qualified female candidate such as Ms. Camp would not be considered even though it would not be a problem for her to serve on the Planning Commission. Mrs. Spott said Ms. Camp would be interested in both the Planning Commission and the Environmental Advisory Council. Mrs. Spott stated Ms. Camp is a professional and an architect who would bring some diversity to the Planning Commission.

### **Board Action:**

After the original motion was withdrawn, it was moved by Mr. Bartlett, seconded by Mr. Jenaway, to approve the three stated candidates for the Environmental Advisory Council. Mrs. Spott opposed and Mr. Waks abstained. Motion approved 3-1-1.

# Board comment following the vote:

Mrs. Spott stated that her opposition was based solely on her view that two of these candidates should be considered for other positions and was not based on their qualifications. Mr. Waks stated he abstained because while he does recall Ms. Camp being enthusiastic about the Environmental Advisory Council he absolutely believes what Mrs. Spott said transpired in her telephone call with Ms. Camp about the Planning Commission.

Mr. McBride stated he is not ruling out that Mrs. Spott talked to Ms. Camp after the interview, but the issue is the process was followed and when does it stop.

Mr. Jenaway commented that Ms. Camp's first choice was to be on the Environmental Advisory Council and she was granted her first choice. He emphasized if Ms. Camp or anyone would want to be considered for anything other than the ones they mentioned during the interview, the candidate should bring that back through the staff and advise the Board of Supervisors in that fashion.

# UPPER MERION MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

Mr. McBride stated that the nominee for this Authority is Jim Ruddy.

## Board Action:

It was moved by Mr. Waks, seconded by Mrs. Spott, all voting "Aye" to approve Jim Ruddy for the Upper Merion Municipal Authority. None opposed. Motion approved 5-0.

## PLANNING COMMISSION

Mr. McBride stated the nominee for the Planning Commission is Francis Schultz.

#### Board Comment:

Mrs. Spott stated that while all of the citizen boards are important, the Planning Commission and the Zoning Hearing Board have greater influence than the others. Mrs. Spott pointed out that for this reason a higher level of good judgment has to be exercised in appointing people to serve in these capacities. She said this is why she believes Jacquelin Camp was the better candidate because of her professional experience and the different perspective she would bring from a diverse standpoint. She took issue with the candidacy of Mr. Schultz for the Planning Commission and believes Ms. Camp should have been more seriously considered for this post.

Mr. Waks agreed with Mrs. Spott. He said because it is necessary to deal with so many people over many charged issues on the Planning Commission and the Zoning Hearing Board, you have to be viewed throughout the township as being beyond reproach. For this reason, he took issue with the candidacy of Mr. Schultz for the Planning Commission.

Mr. McBride outlined some of Mr. Schultz' accomplishments and said that he has been a positive influence as a corporate citizen in the township. As the Chairman during the interview process, Mr. McBride believes that Mr. Schultz was the right candidate for the Planning Commission.

Mrs. Spott said while she respects Mr. McBride's view about the service of Mr. Schultz she would have preferred to have someone that is in the industry knowing what the trends are and being able to guide the township forward as opposed to backward or the status quo.

Mr. Waks said he would be happy to have Mr. Schultz on the ECDC, the Municipal Utility Authority, the Transportation Authority or General Authority, but the Planning Commission and the Zoning Hearing Board have higher standards because of their public visibility and he believes his presence on the Planning Commission would make some of their judgments look unsound.

Mr. Jenaway took issue with Mr. Waks' comments and said Mr. Schultz is an individual who has owned property in this township and has been through the planning and zoning process many times. He has had to deal with the negatives and positives and has had to be creative to come up with ways to sustain his businesses in the township.

Mrs. Spott disagreed with Mr. Jenaway and expressed surprise that he would disregard professional qualifications.

Mr. Jenaway responded that it was his understanding that the idea is to match people with their interests. He said the interests of Mr. Schultz were zoning and then planning in that order and he really had no interest in anything else.

Mr. McBride commented he does not know how the other candidates would be but he is aware of what Mr. Schultz has done both on the school board and on the Planning Commission in the past. He said Mr. Schultz has done nothing but positive things in this township.

Mrs. Spott said people are entitled to know what Mr. Schultz applied for first and why he is not there and why he is at the Planning Commission.

Mr. Waks wanted to make clear Ms. Camp and Mr. Schultz were not the only two people who applied for the Planning Commission. He believes there was a third individual who does have development and land preservation experience in this township, and in Mr. Waks' view would have been a better appointment than the two people who are being voted on for Planning Commission and Zoning Hearing Board.

### Board Action:

It was moved by Mr. Bartlett, seconded by Mr. Jenaway, to approve Francis Schultz to the Planning Commission. Mrs. Spott and Mr. Waks opposed. Motion approved 3-2.

### ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

It was moved by Mrs. Spott, seconded by Mr. Jenaway, all voting "Aye" to approve Thomas Kohler for the ECDC. None opposed. Motion approved 5-0.

#### <u>ZONING HEARING BOARD – ALTERNATE</u>

Mr. McBride stated that the nominee for the Zoning Hearing Board – Alternate is Gina LaMarra.

# Board Comment:

Mrs. Spott reiterated that Ed Campbell expressed interest in the Zoning Hearing Board and is clearly qualified from an educational and experience standpoint. She stated that based on his interview, in her view, he could balance the legal aspect with the compassion and understanding needed as a resident. Mrs. Spott pointed out the Zoning Hearing Board has someone who moved up from an alternate position who is fairly young and there is an attorney on the Zoning Hearing Board as well as a very experienced chairman. Mrs. Spott posits that chances are one of those more experienced people may be the next one to leave at some point. She said since Mr. Murphy moved up and is fairly new in that post Mrs. Spott does not think it is a good idea to appoint someone young and inexperienced to the alternate position. She pointed out alternates can be called on to step in at any time and they really need to be more than someone just learning on the job. Mrs. Spott said the Zoning Hearing Board has a quasi judicial role and has the ability to render decisions that are legally binding if not appealed. She believes the highest consideration for putting the most qualified person in this position is heightened in this case.

Mr. Waks agreed with Mrs. Spott and said while this candidate is a smart young woman, the Zoning Hearing Board is a place where experience and professionalism are needed and Mr. Campbell is a far better choice. Mr. Waks also stated the Zoning Hearing Board needs to be viewed as being beyond reproach, non political and non partisan, and he does not believe this appointment goes in that direction.

Mr. McBride stated he interviewed Ms. LaMarra and was impressed with her résumé. While she does not have experience in zoning matters, Mr. McBride recalled when he interviewed for the Zoning Hearing Board, he did not have zoning experience either. He said he would hold his record on the Zoning Hearing Board up against anybody and it was his common sense. Mr. McBride stated his only significant concern was Mr. Campbell is an attorney who represents clients before the township on a number of cases.

Mrs. Spott responded there is an attorney who currently sits on the Zoning Hearing Board.

Mr. McBride stated he finds it unbelievable that a female with Ms. LaMarra's résumé is being attacked like this in such an unfair manner.

Mrs. Spott commented we should not be looking to put another young potentially inexperienced person on the board.

Mr. Waks asked for clarification about John Tallman since he has been involved in development issues and open space preservation and he does not come before the Zoning Hearing Board arguing cases.

Mr. Jenaway responded that he is a member of the Business Improvement District's (BID) zoning and development committee which would be coming before the Zoning Board so the potential for conflict does exist there as it does for Ed Campbell.

Mrs. Spott stated she believes the conflict issue is a "red herring" in all this because we currently have an attorney on the Zoning Hearing Board who would have to deal with exactly the same type of thing. Mrs. Spott said if a conflict came up he would be governed by the Pennsylvania Rules of Professional Conduct.

Mr. McBride countered Ed Campbell's practice is in this area as opposed to the attorney on the Zoning Hearing Board.

Mrs. Spott reiterated the conflict is still a "red herring" as both she and Mr. Waks are attorneys and every attorney is well versed in what to do when there is a conflict. She does not believe that it would be any different for Mr. Campbell. While Mrs. Spott did not dispute the Board is looking at someone with a good résumé, she indicated the Zoning Hearing Board is a quasi judicial board and we need not just good resumes, but someone who is the best.

## Board Action:

It was moved by Mr. Bartlett, seconded by Mr. Jenaway, to approve Gina LaMarra for the Zoning Hearing Board. Mr. Waks and Mrs. Spott opposed. Motion approved 3-2.

## POLICE ADVISORY BOARD

Mr. McBride stated the nominee for the Police Advisory Board is Jeffrey McCabe.

## Board Comment:

Mrs. Spott said she appreciates Jeff McCabe's application, believes he would be an asset on every board and is happy to welcome him on the Police Advisory Board. Mrs. Spott pointed out she is liaison to the Police Advisory Board; the first she heard that Jeff McCabe was moving to the Police Advisory Board was when the Chairman announced the recommendations and said Gina LaMarra was going to move up to the Zoning Hearing Board.

Mr. McBride asked if she attended the interview. Mrs. Spott responded she was present for the interview, but there was no discussion about putting Jeff McCabe on the Police Advisory Board.

Mr. McBride commented Mrs. Spott called him and never mentioned it. He pointed out when they had the discussion about the nominees that a decision could not be made.

Mrs. Spott said she was not going on the presupposition these movements were going to happen.

Mr. McBride stated Mrs. Spott asked for the interview process to be the way it was and it was done that way. The supervisors left the interview process with the understanding these are the tentative candidates and anyone who had questions to contact the Chairman. Mr. McBride said Mr. Waks and Mr. Jenaway contacted him and Mrs. Spott did not mention it.

Mrs. Spott said there was no discussion at the last meeting. It was a report and a suggestion for people to call you.

Mr. McBride said Mrs. Spott is "splitting hairs" and she sat through the interview. Mr. McBride said she heard him say these are the apparent nominees and to please get back to him since the Board of Supervisors does not deliberate outside of the public.

Mrs. Spott said she did.

Mr. McBride said Mrs. Spott never mentioned Jeff McCabe.

Mrs. Spott said we did not have a vacancy at that point for him to go into, but there is now.

Mr. McBride said Jeff McCabe was the nominee when she called him.

Mrs. Spott countered by saying Mr. McBride did not raise it either.

Mr. McBride said he did not have to.

Mrs. Spott said the policy indicates we are supposed to make that recommendation jointly together.

# Board Action:

It was moved by Mr. Waks, seconded by Mr. Bartlett, all voting "Aye" to approve Jeffrey McCabe to the Police Advisory Board. None opposed. Motion approved 5-0.

### Board Comment:

Mr. Jenaway commented that as a result of the previous discussion there are process issues that need to be addressed and reviewed with a view toward an immediate rewrite of this policy. Mr. Jenaway said if alternative positions are discussed with someone there should be a follow up done with Mr. Wagenmann or staff to validate those people indeed have an interest in alternative positions and if the applicant wants to change their being considered for one committee or board over another. This question should be confirmed in the future before going forward. He said it also raises the issue and he thought years ago that it was the process years ago when he first went on a board that he was asked after the discussions were held if he was willing to serve on the board if offered that position.

Mrs. Spott commented that she does not have a problem with having Mr. Wagenmann clarifying how many boards or which boards the candidates are interested in. She does not agree to go out ahead of time before there has been a vote or discussion and tell people they are the lead and to get ready. She has a problem with that approach. It may work when there is only one person but not when there are multiple candidates.

Mr. McBride said the Citizen Board appointment policy can be brought up at another workshop to determine if a change in the policy is warranted.

# ACCOUNTS PAYABLE & PAYROLL:

#### Board Action:

It was moved by Mrs. Spott, seconded by Mr. Bartlett, all voting "Aye" to approve the Accounts Payable [for invoices processed from January 10, 2011 to February 8, 2011, in the amount of \$1,167,936.38] and the Payroll [for January 7, 2011 and January 21, 2011 in the amount of \$1,507,907.77 for a total of \$2,675,844.15]. None opposed. Motion passed 5-0.

#### ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

# REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF FEES FROM KING OF PRUSSIA FIRE COMPANY TO ERECT A 9/11 MEMORIAL

Mr. Wagenmann stated the King of Prussia Fire Company is going to construct a memorial at their Allendale Road station in memory of World Trade Center attack on September 11, 2001. He noted there will be two pieces of the steel superstructure that will be a part of this display. The memorial will be placed near the flag pole at the front of the firehouse and illuminated to memorialize the firefighters and personnel who were lost during that tragedy.

Mr. McBride asked for the amount of the waiver requested. Mr. Wagenmann responded it is \$298.

## **Board Action:**

It was moved by Mr. Bartlett, seconded by Mr. Waks, to approve the waiver of fees. Mr. Jenaway abstained. Motion approved 4-0-1.

## SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET

Mr. Waks reported on the school district budget. He said there were serious financial problems and some tough choices that have to be made. Mr. Waks encouraged residents to watch the Upper Merion Area School District meetings and provided the Viking Channel viewing details.

Mr. McBride agreed with Mr. Waks assessment and he noted at the recent school board meeting he attended there were some categories that were very specific in their reductions and then there were very general areas that had no specific programs or dollar values, just an aggregate number they were going to reduce. Mr. McBride contrasted their practice with the intensive and explicit lineby-line budgeting process in Upper Merion Township which provides the supervisors with as intimate knowledge of the budget and how it is constructed as any layman could have.

Mr. McBride noted the Upper Merion Township budget, including the wastewater and capital, is in the \$30-34 million range. The school district budget is in the \$77 million range. Mr. McBride pointed out the school district needs as much information as possible to make decisions and keep our taxes down. He pointed out that while they are going to reduce the pay of substitute bus drivers and substitute janitors down from \$15 and \$17, when he asked about the administration, he was told it is in there, but because it was a lump sum number the specifics could not be identified. Mr. McBride also encouraged residents to keep informed on the school board meetings; and unless there are some drastic reductions in the cost of running the school district, our tax dollars will be impacted.

# CITIZEN BOARD VACANCIES

Mr. Jenaway noted there are remaining vacancies on the Library Board of Directors and Shade Tree and Beautification Commission and encouraged interested residents to apply.

# From the Public:

Gene Lonchar, Swedeland, complained about the discussion regarding the citizen board vacancies.

Bill Anderson, owner of Samantha's Towing, asked if a citizen board member was allowed to do business with the township and he was informed that they could and he was provided with clarifying details.

# ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9 p.m.

RONALD G. WAGENMANN SECRETARY-TREASURER TOWNSHIP MANAGER

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