


West Caln Township Board of Supervisors	<b>Minutes</b> <b>Wednesday, November 13, 2019</b> <b>Public Meeting</b>	
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A regular monthly meeting of the West Caln Township Board of Supervisors was held on Wednesday, November 13, 2019 at 7:00 PM in the Township Municipal Building.

Present were:

Supervisor Martz	Police Chief Martinez	Solicitor Venzie
Supervisor Martin	Manager Siedenbuehl	Road Foreman Touchton
Supervisor Hutton	Assistant Manager Sauro	Treasurer Gattuso

1. CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Martz opened the meeting at 7:00 PM and lead in the salute to the flag.

2. SALUTE TO THE FLAG


3. ADDITIONS DELETIONS OR MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA

4. EXECUTIVE SESSION

An executive session was held on Wednesday, November 13, 2019 for legal and personnel reasons.

5. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

- a. Roland Leslie – 101 Old Wilmington Road – Inquired as to whether the townships have looked into any grant funding with regards to the proposed EMS tax. Any grants with regards to fire/ambulance equipment would have to be done through the fire company and not the township.
  
- b. Luke Fidler – Compass Road and William Romans – 101 Hanscom Drive – Inquired about the proposed EMS tax that the township is looking to institute. How was tax amount determined (i.e. was a fiscal study completed), how are the funds allocated and will the other townships be providing the same amount of funds? It was stated that a fiscal study was not completed this was based solely on the need to provide adequate services to the township residents that the ambulance serves. Wallace Township is the township that has requested that the West Brandywine and West Caln look into a second ambulance for service. There has been no formal agreement provided to the township to date. This document is being prepared by Wallace Township's solicitor. The board is under the understanding that Wallace and West Caln will be providing the same amount of fund and West Brandywine will be providing slightly less for the first year only as they will be housing the new ambulance at their facilities and will be building a new garage for the ambulance.

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c. Frank Neal – 129 Neal Road – Still working on closure of Neal Road. He has received 5 signatures out of the 8 residents on the street and they are in favor of closing the road. The Board stated they would have to look at financial impacts, emergency access for police, fire and ambulance. Will continue to discuss with the township solicitor.

6. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The Board of Supervisors approved the minutes for the October 9 and 23, 2019 Board of Supervisors meetings.

Motion to Approve: Supervisor Hutton Second: Supervisor Martin Vote: 3-0-0

*Motion Passed*

7. MANAGER’S REPORT

The Board of Supervisors accepted the Township Manager’s Report as presented.

8. TREASURER’S REPORT

The Board of Supervisors approved the Treasurer’s Report as presented.

Motion to Approve: Supervisor Martin Second: Supervisor Hutton Vote: 3-0-0

*Motion Passed*

9. SOLICITOR’S REPORT

Solicitor Venzie provided copies of an EMS Article that she read regarding how other municipalities are handling the need to provide EMS services to their residents due to the decrease in volunteer participation.

10. POLICE REPORT

The Board of Supervisors accepted the Police Report as presented.

11. CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT

The Board of Supervisors accepted the Code Enforcement Report as presented.

12. ROAD DEPARTMENT REPORT


The Board of Supervisors accepted the Roads Report as presented.

13. FIRE MARSHAL REPORT

None

14. WAGONTOWN FIRE COMPANY

The Board of Supervisors accepted the Wagontown Fire Company Report as presented.

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15. WESTWOOD FIRE COMPANY – EMS SERVICE

The Board of Supervisors accepted the Westwood Fire Company EMS Report as presented.

16. PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION REPORT

The Board of Supervisors accepted the Park & Recreation Commission Report as presented.

17. HISTORICAL COMMISSION REPORT

The Board of Supervisors accepted the Historical Commission Report as presented.

18. OLD BUSINESS

None

19. NEW BUSINESS

a. Insurance Benefits 12/01/2019 – 11/30/2020

The Board of Supervisors approves the Insurance Benefits 12/01/2019 – 11/30/2020 as presented.

Motion to Approve: Supervisor Martin      Second: Supervisor Hutton      Vote: 3-0-0

*Motion Passed*

b. A Resolution to waive the member contribution for their employees towards their Health Care Insurance for the Calendar Year 2020.

The Board of Supervisors approves the Resolution 2019-07 as presented.

Motion to Approve: Supervisor Martin      Second: Supervisor Hutton      Vote: 3-0-0

*Motion Passed*

c. Marchetti Property - Escrow Release

The Board of Supervisors approves the release of monies held for the basin in the amount of ten thousand dollars and 00/100 (\$10,000.00).

Motion to Approve: Supervisor Martin      Second: Supervisor Hutton      Vote: 3-0-0

*Motion Passed*

d. The hiring of Alexi Barnada as Part-Time Police Officer

The Board of Supervisors approves the hiring of Alexi Barnada as Part-Time Police Officer at an hourly rate of \$18.00 effective November 14, 2019.

Motion to Approve: Supervisor Martin      Second: Supervisor Hutton      Vote: 3-0-0

*Motion Passed*

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- e. West Caln Township 2020 Preliminary General Fund Budget  
The Board of Supervisors approves the 2020 Preliminary General Fund Budget as presented.

Motion to Approve: Supervisor Martin      Second: Supervisor Hutton      Vote: 3-0-0  
*Motion Passed*

- f. Firewall Update Proposal WatchGuard Firebox T55 with Total Support (3 Years Subscription)

The Board of Supervisors approves the Firewall Upgrade Proposal as presented.

Motion to Approve: Supervisor Martin      Second: Supervisor Hutton      Vote: 3-0-0  
*Motion Passed*

20. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

October 21, 2019 the Comprehensive Plan Task Force will conduct a public meeting at the Wagontown Fire Company – Ballroom – at 7 p.m.

21. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business at hand, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM

Motion to Approve: Supervisor Martin      Second: Supervisor Hutton      Vote: 3-0-0  
*Motion Passed*

Respectful Submitted,

Kimberly Milane-Sauro

Assistant Secretary

*Approved December 11, 2019*