

**Towamencin Township  
Board of Supervisors  
Work Session Meeting  
January 13, 2010  
7:30 p.m.**

**Present:**

Daniel M. Littley, Jr., Chairman  
Dr. Thomas Hollenbeck, Vice Chairman  
H. Charles Wilson, III  
James P. Sinz  
John V. Gottschall

**Staff:**

Robert A. Ford, Township Manager  
John T. Dooley, Esquire, Township Solicitor  
Russell Benner, P.E., Township Engineer  
Joseph Leis, Director of Community Planning  
P. Tim Dickinson, Chief of Police

Chairman Littley called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m. and led the assemblage in the pledge of Allegiance.

5 Chairman Littley stated the Board held an executive session on January 4<sup>th</sup> and prior to the meeting tonight to discuss personnel and legal issues.

**Public Comments**

10 Steve Nelson, 2024 Hollis Road, Lansdale, expressed concerns about delinquent sewer bills that were not sent to Hollis Hills residents. He suggested that he be allowed to pay back the past due amount over a period of time.

15 Mr. Ford explained that Towamencin was not notified by Worcester Township when the houses were hooked up to sewer.

The board asked that Mr. Nelson contact Mr. Ford and directed the Township Solicitor and Township Manager to prepare a repayment schedule that would be sent to all the affected rate payers.

20 **Approval of Minutes**

*December 30, 2009*

25 On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Sinz, the Board approved the minutes of December 30, 2009 as written.

**Voting Yes:** Daniel M. Littley, Dr. Thomas Hollenbeck, James P. Sinz, H. Charles Wilson,  
John V. Gottschall

**Voting No:** N/A

**Abstaining:** N/A

5 **Absent:** N/A

January 4, 2010

10 On motion of Mr. Sinz, seconded by Mr. Gottschall, the Board approved the minutes of January 4, 2010 as written.

**Voting Yes:** Daniel M. Littley, Dr. Thomas Hollenbeck, James P. Sinz, H. Charles Wilson,  
John V. Gottschall

**Voting No:** N/A

15 **Abstaining:** N/A

**Absent:** N/A

**Resolution 10-05: North Montco Technical Career Center Preliminary Plan**

20 Chairman Littley noted the applicant is proposing a 7,986 sq. ft. addition to an existing facility located at 1265 Sumneytown Pike.

25 The Planning Commission recommends the Board of Supervisors approve this land development application, and that the requested waivers be approved with deferrals requiring establishment of an escrow.

A presentation on this application was made to the Board of Supervisors on December 30, 2009 at which time the Board directed Staff to prepare a Resolution for consideration of approval.

30 Mr. Gottschall asked about the resolution conditions. Mr. Leis pointed out that the resolution did specify the requirement for escrows for the deferrals.

35 On motion of Dr. Hollenbeck, seconded by Mr. Sinz, the Board adopted Resolution 10-05 for the North Montco Technical Career Center.

**Voting Yes:** Daniel M. Littley, Dr. Thomas Hollenbeck, James P. Sinz, H. Charles Wilson,  
John V. Gottschall

**Voting No:** N/A

**Abstaining:** N/A

40 **Absent:** N/A

**Close Out of Escrow - Camelot Way (Charlestown SLD531H)**

45 Chairman Littley noted the original land development was Phase H of the Charlestowne Development which consisted of nine lots off of Old Forty Foot Road. The developer has completed the maintenance period for the project and is now asking for the release of the maintenance funds.



**Resolution 10-07: 2010 Fee Schedule**

5

Chairman Littley noted this establishes the fees charged for various permits and Township services, including zoning, land development, building, fire suppression systems, etc.

10

For 2010, Staff is recommending that a nominal fee be charged for use of the Township Meeting Rooms by outside agencies and groups to cover utility and labor costs associated with the rooms use.

15

Chairman Littley asked if the fee for the Special Police Services includes the cost of vehicles and insurance.

Chief Dickinson believed there was an administration cost, but not fuel costs.

20

Chairman Wilson asked if the new minimum municipal obligation for pension costs were included. Chief Dickinson responded that he would need to check with the Finance Director.

Chairman Littley asked about the \$15.00 soliciting fee.

25

Chief Dickinson responded that he and Mr. Ford were working on a new peddling ordinance which would need to be amended before the fee could be changed.

On motion of Mr. Sinz, seconded by Mr. Wilson, the Board adopted Resolution 10-07 setting the 2010 Fee Schedule.

30

**Voting Yes:** Daniel M. Littley, Dr. Thomas Hollenbeck, James P. Sinz, H. Charles Wilson, John V. Gottschall

**Voting No:** N/A

**Abstaining:** N/A

**Absent:** N/A

35

**Additional Business**

40

Dr. Hollenbeck noted the Open Space and Parks Advisory Committee met on Monday, January 11<sup>th</sup> to review the final draft of the Fischer's Park Master Plan update, and that one of the recommendations was to do an archeological dig at the site of the Old Kooker's Mill. The Committee suggested that a college or university be contacted to see if students could do an archeological dig.

There being no additional business, the meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

45

Respectfully submitted,

Robert A. Ford

Township Manager

RAF/sl