

Board of Supervisors Special Meeting held September 30, 2010

A special meeting of the Board of Supervisors was conducted on Thursday, September 30, 2010 commencing at 7:00 a.m. Chairwoman Ms. Silvernail called the meeting to order. Present was Supervisor Ms. Sarbaum.

The moment of silence and pledge of allegiance were waived.

Ms. Silvernail announced that the purpose of the meeting was to consider accepting the settlement of the Pennsylvania American Water Company rate increase. Ms. Silvernail stated that West Brandywine, Caln, and Valley Township have voted to accept the agreement.

The agreement states that all metered and unmetered charges have been increased for an overall increase of 145%. The total rate increase will be phased in over a six year period, beginning January 1, 2011. Rates will be increased 2012, 2013, and 2014. The rates in effect on January 1, 2014, will remain in effect through the years 2014, 2015, and 2016. On January 1, 2017, the rates will be reduced to those in effect on January 1, 2013. Capacity reservation fees have been increased to \$4,000. A 15% discount on a customer's total wastewater bill will be given to qualifying low income customers.

Ms. Sarbaum stated that we cannot economically argue this on our own. Ms. Silvernail stated that on our own we would not make any headway. Ms. Silvernail stated that Supervisor Ms. Horan, who could not attend the meeting, stated by telephone that she was in agreement to adopt the agreement.

Motion was made by Ms. Silvernail, seconded by Ms. Sarbaum to accept the settlement agreement on the Pennsylvania American Water Company rate increase. With there being no questions, the Board voting "aye", the motion passed unanimously.

With there being no further business, Ms. Silvernail made a motion, seconded by Ms. Sarbaum to adjourn the Board meeting. With there being no questions, the Board voting "aye" the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted

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