

**EAST MARLBOROUGH TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**Meeting of the Board – November 5, 2012**

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Chairman Cuyler H. Walker called the public meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. in the Township Building by leading the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Supervisors Richard P.S. Hannum, Robert F. Weer, Eddie G. Caudill, and Richard E. Hicks were also present, as was James Hatfield.

**Public Comment Period.** There were no comments from the public.

**Minutes of October 1, 2012.** By unanimous vote (5-0), the Supervisors approved the minutes as prepared.

**Report of Emergency Management Coordinator.** Fire Marshal, Robert Weer, Jr. read a prepared report of the Hurricane Sandy Emergency Operations Center, which had been opened at Po-Mar-Lin Fire Hall for this event. The Operations Center involved Township Police, Road Crew, and staff, as well as Fire Company personnel. Chairman Walker praised all who participated in the operation, noting that although the impact of Sandy was not especially strong in our area, the operation was a most useful exercise in preparing for future events.

**Escrow Release for Whitewing Farm –** No one was present to represent the request; the supervisors took no action.

**Northbrook Subdivision, Pia Plan– Request for Extension of Review time.** By a vote of 4-1, with Mr. Hicks opposed, the Supervisors approved the requested time extension until March 1, 2013

**Budgets for 2013.** Treasurer Jane Laslo presented drafts of the proposed budgets for 2013, with the following totals:

General Fund expenses and receipts	\$ 1,875,600
State Fund	\$ 415,898
Sewer Fund	\$ 3,097,039

These budgets are predicated on a total township assessed valuation of 688 million dollars. The proposed budgets anticipate no increase in Sewer User Fees or Unionville Light Tax. The Supervisors agreed that the draft budgets could be available for public inspection.

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In a separate action, by a vote of 4-1 with Mr. Caudill opposed, the Supervisors agreed to increase the Fire Tax from .3 mills to .5 mills, yielding an anticipated \$344,000 in revenue for 2013.

Mr. John Weer, President of Po-Mar-Lin Fire Company, pointed out that the Fire Tax could be used for other fire-related expenses, including the mandatory Workers' Compensation Insurance for cancer coverage for firemen, but could also be used to compensate the local Fire Marshal. Mr. John Weer said that, in his opinion, the Fire Marshal had saved Po-Mar-Lin approximately \$32,000 by having the Fire Marshal respond to issues at New Bolton Center and saving the Fire Company the expense of putting expensive vehicles on the road.

**Sewer Report.** Sewer Plant Operator, Jeff Simpson, included a request for a slide-in pump and transport trailer, to pump out grinder pumps so that crew can work on the pump. By unanimous vote (5-0), the Supervisors approved the purchase of the pump and trailer.

**Bills.** By unanimous vote (5-0) with each supervisor abstaining on a single item with a perceived conflict of interest, the Supervisors approved the attached list of invoices, with the following totals:

General Fund	\$172,957.36
Sewer Fund	\$ 71,613.47
Payroll	\$ 52,918.03

**Treasurer's Report.** By unanimous vote (5-0), the Board accepted the attached report, as prepared.

The public meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m., at which point the supervisors went into executive session to discuss a personnel matter.

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Jane R. Laslo, Manager/Secretary