

**COLONIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
PLYMOUTH MEETING, PA 19462
MINUTES, MAY 15, 2003**

President Orlow convened a special meeting of the Colonial Board of School Directors and the Whitemarsh Township Board of Supervisors at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room of Colonial Elementary School on May 15, 2003.

Members of the Board of School Directors Present: Marc Orlow, Thomas Davis, Lynn Glodek, Gary Johnson, Hugh Lipshutz, Susan Moore, and Steven Slutsky.

Members of the Board of School Directors Not Present: William Ryan and Tom Yunker.

Members of the Board of Supervisors Present: Ronald J. DeRosa, Ann Younglove, William P. Rimel III, Peter B. Cornog, and Michael A. Zeock.

Members of the Board of Supervisors Not Present: None.

Also Attending at the Start of the Meeting: For the District: Vincent F. Cotter, Superintendent; Mary Ellen Gorodetzer, Assistant Superintendent; Joseph Bickleman, Chief Financial Officer/Board Treasurer and Jeffrey T. Sultanik, Solicitor. For Montgomery County: Joel A. Johnson, Assistant Executive Director, Redevelopment Authority of Montgomery County; Bruce A. Nicholson, Solicitor; and Steven T. Nelson, Deputy Chief Operating Officer/Policy Planning. For the Hill at Whitemarsh: Jeffrey B. Rotwitt. Members of the school district and township communities.

Mr. Orlow led the Pledge of Allegiance. He then turned the meeting over to Mr. DeRosa, Chairperson of the Whitemarsh Township Board of Supervisors. Mr. DeRosa announced that the primary purpose of the meeting would be to present and receive information on using tax increment financing for the redevelopment of the Eugenia Hospital Site in Whitemarsh Township and open space preservation.

Mr. DeRosa followed the agenda attached to these minutes as Attachment #1. Speakers provided information on using tax increment financing (TIF) for redevelopment of the Eugenia Hospital site and open space preservation as outlined in Attachment #2 to these minutes and shared information on the proposed projects, their impact on local taxing bodies (Montgomery County, Whitemarsh Township and Colonial School District). Speakers also addressed the process and procedures that were required to move forward with the proposed redevelopment and open space acquisition. The basic information covered during discussions is outlined in Attachment #3 to these minutes. Speakers addressing the joint meeting of the Board of School Directors and the Board of Supervisors generally spoke in favor of moving forward with the proposed projects.

There being no further business before the Boards, Mr. DeRosa and Mr. Orlow adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

**James M. Bell
School Board Secretary**