

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners was called to order by President Rudolph at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 12, 2019 in the Township Building.

REGULAR MEETING

The following Commissioners were present: Mrs. Sage, Messrs. Rudolph, Kelly, Wechsler, Layden and Lanciano. Dr. Janiczek was absent. Also present were Messrs. Fulton and Byrne, and Mrs. Warner.

ROLL CALL

The Invocation was given by Mr. Lanciano and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION

On motion of Mr. Lanciano, the minutes of January 8, 2019 were approved as submitted. Seconded by Mrs. Sage and carried.

MINUTES

Mr. Rudolph asked if anyone in the audience wished to comment on any of the agenda items. Seeing no one, the meeting continued.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Rudolph called for Committee Reports.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Kelly stated that on January 24, 2019, the Zoning Hearing Board rendered decisions on two applications. An applicant seeking a variance to construct an in-ground pool and patio at 125 N. Rolling Road received approval. A second applicant seeking a special exception to use premises at 770 Baltimore for an automobile dealership also received approval. There are no hearings scheduled for February.

Zoning

Mrs. Sage reported for the month of January, the Health Officer inspected 6 restaurants and 7 retail establishments and performed 2 reinspections. There were 4 dog bite issues. Mrs. Sage reported that on Saturday, March 2nd, Cyber Crunch will be holding an E-Waste Collection and Data Destruction opportunity from 9 am–1 pm at Elywn Industrial Complex in Aston. Computers, laptops and cell phones are free while there is a fee for TVs & CRT monitors, freon appliances and hard drive shredding.

Health

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Parks

Mr. Lanciano reported that the Parks Department completed all their responsibilities during recent snow storms, constructed soil and wood carpet bins at the new maintenance building, completed fence installation at the new maintenance building and are continuing with the weekly trash removal at all park and township-owned properties.

Ice Rink

Mr. Lanciano reported that public skating just completed a very successful month of January as over 2000 enjoyed the facility. This was in addition to 6 birthdays and the normal hockey activity. The Ice Rink will hold a special skating session on Presidents' Day, February 18th from 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

Library

Mr. Wechsler announced Audrey Blossic will be retiring on March 1st after serving as Library Director for 27 years. Under Mrs. Blossic's leadership, the Library has grown in services provided to the community with informational and recreational reading programs, as well as technological formats. Many of our residents use the successful early children programs. Under Mrs. Blossic's guidance, the Library has also become a non-profit 50NC3 organization that raises money for the Library to supplement the Township and County funds. There will be an opportunity to bid farewell to Mrs. Blossic and to welcome the new Library Director, Kristen Rushton on February 26th from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m

Golf Course

Mr. Layden reported 343 total rounds of golf for the month of \$14,907 in total revenue for the month of January. The golf course was opened 16 days, closed 15 days, opened late/closed early on 15 days. There was 4.5" of rain and 4" of snow. Mr. Layden then read the monthly maintenance report. Off-season golf rates are in effect, weekdays \$35/weekends \$40, car included.

Public Works

Mr. Layden announced due to the Presidents' Day holiday on Monday, February 18th, trash and recycling will not be collected.

Mr. Rudolph asked residents that when it snows to please remove your cars from the streets to allow the Public Works Department to plow curb to curb. The ordinance states that snow must be removed from public sidewalks within 24 hours after the snow ceases to fall.

Snow Removal

Mr. Rudolph stated that Dr. Janiczek has not attended the last two meetings due to health issues. Fortunately, Dr. Janiczek is in recovery and the Board hopes to have him back shortly. The Board wished Dr. Janiczek their best and will keep him in their prayers.

Dr. Janiczek

Mr. Lanciano moved that all bills approved for payment by the appropriate chairperson be paid. Seconded by Mrs. Sage and carried.

BILLS SUBMITTED

Mr. Rudolph announced that the second reading of the proposed ordinance to vacate an unvacated portion of S. Rolling Road has been removed from tonight's agenda. This item will be added to March's agenda.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE
REMOVED FROM AGENDA

Mr. Layden read a proposed ordinance establishing a stop intersection at E. Scenic Road and Butler Road facing southbound traffic. He moved that the proposed ordinance be approved on its first reading and advertised. Seconded by Mr. Wechsler and carried.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE
Stop Intersection

Mr. Kelly introduced a proposed ordinance updating the Consolidated Fee Schedule. He moved that the proposed ordinance be approved on its first reading and advertised. A full copy of the proposed ordinance is available at the Township Building for viewing. Seconded Mr. Lanciano and carried.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE
Fee Schedule

Mr. Sage moved for the adoption of Resolution #2-19 authorizing the proper officers of the Township to execute a one year Mowing Agreement with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for mowing of State Road, from Rolling to Springfield Roads, four times a year. Seconded by Mr. Kelly and carried.

RESOLUTION #2-19
PennDOT Mowing
Agreement

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RESOLUTION #3-19
County Liquid Fuels

On motion of Mr. Wechsler, Resolution #3-19 was adopted requesting County Liquid Fuel Aid in the amount of \$34,898.00 to be used for the improvement of Township roadways. Estimated total cost of the project is \$666,000.00. Seconded by Mr. Layden and carried.

RESOLUTION #4-19
Disposal of Records

On motion of Mr. Kelly, Resolution #4-19 was approved authorizing the disposal of municipal records in accordance with the schedule set forth in the Municipalities Record Act (P.L. 428). Seconded by Mr. Layden and carried.

2019 POOL RATES

Mr. Lanciano moved that the Country Club 2019 Pool Rates be approved as submitted. The rates will remain the same as in 2017 and 2018. Join before April 30, 2018 and receive a \$50 discount. All joining members over the age of 18 will be considered an adult. Seconded by Mr. Wechsler and carried.

AUTHORIZED RECEIPT
OF BIDS

Mr. Wechsler moved to authorize the receipt of bids for the 2019 Overlay-Milling Program. He stated the Township will continue to partner with Marple and Swarthmore to competitively bid for the material and services to complete the overlay and milling needs for the upcoming season. The solicitation details and deadline for the bids will be posted at a later time. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

ENVIRONMENTAL
COMMITTEE

Mr. Layden moved for the reappointment of Bo Elia, 467 E. Springfield Road, to a three year term on the Environmental Committee. Seconded by Mr. Sage and carried.

PLANNING
COMMISSION

Mrs. Sage moved for the appointment of Ed Silberstein, 248 Stoneybrook Drive, to a unexpired term on the Planning Commission. The term expires on July 12, 2022. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The following residents from Springfield and Morton raised their concerns on the speed and traffic on Providence Road:

- Karith Gingrow, 937 Providence Road
- Eric Llewellyn, 963 Providence Road
- Michael Fiorenti, 32 Providence Road
- Robert Salls, 40 Providence Road

The residents reported that they are afraid for their children walking along their sidewalks on Providence Road. Motorists are speeding along Providence Road and there has been numerous traffic accidents along the road with cars ending up on residents' front lawns. They said they understand that this is a Morton issue, but asked for the support of Springfield Township. They hope with Springfield's support, Morton will make the investment to improve this issue. Several traffic calming suggestions were made.

Mr. Rudolph suggested that the Springfield residents speak with Mrs. Sage. She could start with a conversation with Springfield and Morton's Chief of Police. Mrs. Sage noted that she has spoken with a council person from Morton regarding this issue.

Mrs. Warner noted that N. Rolling Road gets a lot of traffic and the police have instituted a ticketing program on that stretch of roadway.

Mr. Wechsler noted that Pennsylvania does not allow municipalities to use radar. He suggested that they contact our State Representatives and Senators to let them know that your position on the ability of municipalities to use radar.

In regard to issue of cars stacking up on Providence Road, a suggestion was made to allow a Right Turn on Red at the traffic light for Baltimore Pike & Leamy Avenue.

Mr. Wechsler moved that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

ADJOURNMENT
(8:50 p.m.)