

FEBRUARY 12, 2008

REGULAR MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners was called to order by President Mahoney at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 12, 2008 in the Township Building.

ROLL CALL

The following other Commissioners were present: Messrs. Wechsler, Rudolph, Devenney and Lanciano. Absent were Mr. McAndrews and Dr. Janiczek. Also present were Messrs. LeFevre, Byrne and Mrs. Warner.

INVOCATION

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

PRESENTATION

On behalf of the Board of Commissioners, Mr. Rudolph presented a plaque to Mark Cottom on his retirement as Detective for the Springfield Township Police Department.

MINUTES

On motion of Mr. Devenney, the minutes of January 7, 2008 were approved as transcribed. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Mahoney asked if anyone in the audience wished to comment on any of the agenda items. Seeing none, the meeting continued.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Mahoney called for Committee Reports.

Ice Rink

Mr. Wechsler announced the Ice Rink has scheduled a special public skating session on Presidents Day, Monday, February 18 from noon to 2:00 p.m. On February 19, players from the Philadelphia Phantoms will be at the ice rink to conduct a hockey clinic for the Township Hockey league's beginners group.

Planning

Mr. Wechsler reported at the February 7th meeting of the Planning Commission two items were reviewed. The first item was a sketch plan for Springfield Square South that involves additional parking spaces and the modification of the sewer water management system from above ground to below

ground. The second matter was a presentation by the Springfield Mall on proposed renovations. Their presentation will be continued at the March meeting.

Mr. Rudolph reported the Township takes the protection of our creeks and waterways very seriously. The township has had no violations and is in compliance with our MS4 permit. The Board recently supported the Rain Gardens program held at Penn State Brandywine, so residents could attend at no cost. He announced on April 12 & 13, education sessions on organic tree care and native plant gardening will be held at the Redbud Plant Nursery. He also reminded residents the 11th annual CRC streams clean-up is scheduled for May 3 from 9 – 11:30 a.m. He encouraged residents to help clean-up the creeks in our community. Additional information about protecting our watershed is on the Township's website and channel 10.

Environmental

Mr. Devenney read the monthly progress report for the Parks Department. Winter maintenance to park equipment has been completed. Picnic tables and trash cans have been being cleaned and painted.

Parks

Mr. Lanciano announced the Library will hold a special story hour for families on Valentine's Day. Children ages 6 and up are invited to an after-school game time on Friday, February 15 from 3:30 – 5:00 p.m. The annual deadline for the bookmark contest is Friday, February 15, 2008. He also read a list of adult programs being held at the Library during the month of March.

Library

Mr. Wechsler moved that all bills approved for payment by the appropriate chairperson be paid. Seconded by Mr. Rudolph and carried.

BILLS SUBMITTED

As per the recommendation of the Public Works Director, Mr. Lanciano moved to award the sole bid for a 2008 International/Leach Trash Truck to Freedom International

BIDS: Trash Truck

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Trucks at the bid price of \$163,279.99, with a trade-in of \$8,500.00. Seconded by Mr. Devenney and carried.

BIDS: TABLED

Mr. Wechsler moved to table awarding the bid for ADA Improvements at the Fire House. The two bids received are much higher than the estimated cost of making the improvements. Seconded by Mr. Rudolph and carried.

**RESOLUTION #4-08
County Liquid Fuels**

On motion of Mr. Devenney, Resolution No. 4-08 was adopted requesting County Liquid Fuel Aid in the amount of \$34,898.00 to be used for the improvement of Township roadways. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

**DISTRICT COURT
LEASE EXTENSION**

Mr. Rudolph moved to approve a five-year lease extension for the District Court, retroactive to January 2008 at a rate of \$47,794.10 per year with a 65¢ per sq. ft. increase for each year. Seconded by Mr. Wechsler and carried.

**AMERICAN TOWER
LEASE EXTENSION**

Mr. Lanciano moved to accept a 20 year lease extension for the American Cell Tower at the rear of the Country Club property beginning December 2010 at \$25,000 per year with a 3% annual increase. Seconded by Mr. Devenney and carried.

2008 POOL RATES

Mr. Wechsler moved that the Country Club Pool Rates for 2008 remain the same as 2007. The rates are as follows: Adults \$180.00; Children – First Child \$90 and each additional child \$60; Guest Fees – weekday \$10.00, weekend \$12.00; Coupon Book with 8 coupons \$75.00. Seconded by Mr. Rudolph and carried.

BIDS AUTHORIZED

Mr. Devenney moved that the proper officers of the Township be authorized to advertise for receipt of bids for Overlay and Milling Projects to be received by March 7, 2008 by 10:00 a.m. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

**ENVIRONMENTAL
COMMITTEE**

Mr. Wechsler moved to table an appointment to the Environmental Committee. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

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On motion of Mr. Lanciano, Suzanne Hoffman, 286 Lewis Road, was appointed to an unexpired term on the Park and Recreation Board. Seconded by Mr. Devenney and carried.

Park Board

Mr. Wechsler moved to appoint Daniel Lanciano to the Civilian Pension Plan Committee. Seconded by Mr. Rudolph and carried.

Civilian Pension
Plan Committee

Mr. Rudolph moved to appoint Robert McAndrews to the Police Pension Plan Committee. Seconded by Mr. Wechsler and carried.

Police Pension

Mr. Mahoney moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Devenney and carried.

ADJOURNMENT
(8:25 p.m.)