

FEBRUARY 9, 2016

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners was called to order by President Rudolph at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 9, 2016 in the Township Building.

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

The Invocation was given by Pastor Robert Novak of Life Christian and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

On behalf of the Board of Commissioners, Mr. Kelly presented a Resolution to Lieutenant William Donohue, who retired after 38 years of service from the Springfield Police Department. Each Commissioner and Mr. Fulton thanked him for his dedicated service and wished him well on his retirement. Mr. Donohue thanked the Board for having given him the honor of serving the good hardworking residents of Springfield. He also thanked his brother officers, both active and retired, and especially his wife.

Chief Joseph Daly presented Lifesaving Commendations to Officers McKenna and Kinsbury for their efforts in saving a life through the proper administration of CPR and the use of the AED machine.

On motion of Mr. Wechsler, the minutes of December 8 and 15, 2015 and January 4 and 12, 2016 be approved as submitted. Seconded by Layden and carried.

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

Mr. Rudolph called for Committee Reports.

REGULAR MEETING

ROLL CALL

INVOCATION

RESOLUTION

PRESENTATIONS

MINUTES

PUBLIC COMMENT

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Library

Mr. Kelly reported the Library offers a wide variety of youth programs for children from birth through the 5th grade. The Winter Session I ends Friday, February 12, with the Winter Session II beginning on February 29. He thanked the residents who have contributed to the Library's Annual Fund Drive. Display windows located at the upper level of the Library are still available for 2016. Mr. Kelly stated that recycling is a large part of the library's efforts to "Go Green." Library staff recycles paper products, plastic, glass and cans used in the building. Library users are encouraged to do the same with recycling containers located throughout the library. The library also collects computer cartridges, cellphones, MP3 players, cameras and GPS devices for delivery to a company that pays the library to receive such items.

Parks

Mrs. Sage read the Parks Department maintenance report for the month of January 2016. The crew completed all parks department snow removal responsibilities during the recent blizzard. They are now working on reconditioning the wooden park entrance signs in several parks.

Zoning

Mr. Wechsler reported the application of Cellco Partnership, dba Verizon Wireless, scheduled to be heard on February 25, 2016, seeking a sign variance was continued at their request. The hearing has been rescheduled to May 26, 2016.

Environmental

Dr. Janiczek announced the Committee would like to invite the residents of Springfield to attend the Environmental Advisory Committee meetings held at the Township Building on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Dr. Janiczek reported for the month of January 2016, the Public Works Department picked up 772 tons of trash compared to 726 tons in 2015. Paper recycling collected for January 2016 was 70 tons of paper recycled compared to 85 tons collected in January 2015. Commingled recycling totaled 103 tons compared to 108 tons for the same period in 2015.

Dr. Janiczek reported the Health Officer inspected 7 restaurants and 10 retail establishments during the month of January 2016.

Health

Mr. Layden reported the construction of the new Pro Shop is continuing. Due to the inclement weather in January, there was no play at the golf course.

Golf

Mr. Lanciano reported this past weekend, over 400 skaters attend the 3 weekend skating sessions. This weekend is "Thunderbird Pizza" night and the Chick-fil-A cow will be making his annual appearance on Friday, February 26. The Ice Rink will have a special "Presidents' Day session on Monday, February 15th from 2:00 – 3:30 P.M.

Ice Rink

Mr. Lanciano announced due to Presidents Day holiday on Monday, February 15th, trash, paper and commingled recycling will not be collected. The Community Notification System and Township TV channel will make residents aware of the holiday schedule.

Public Works

Mr. Lanciano reported the Public Works Department held a meeting to review the snowplowing performance after the January 22-23 snowstorm. The snowstorm lasted for 28 hours and left approximately 22" of snow in Springfield. In order to address this challenge, five different shifts worked Saturday through Sunday spending approximately 500 hours covering an area of 66 miles. The early estimates of the snow removal cost is \$72,000. He stated most of the discussion was on consistency in clearing the secondary roads. He noted that he is very proud of the work the Public Works does and the commitment that the employees show towards the residents.

Mr. Rudolph followed up on Mr. Lanciano's report concerning the snow removal that Springfield looked much more prepared than many other towns and thanked the Public Works Department for the work that they did.

Police

Mr. Rudolph reported now that tax season is upon us, residents have been reporting money scams by way of phone calls and emails. He stated for residents to be aware of the fraud tactics that are used, such as emails that appear to come from the US Government, such as IRS online services that request personal information through an attached web link or a reply request. Pollers posing as an IRS representative attempt to illicit personal information by trying to convince the resident that they have incurred penalties and fines associated with filing taxes and failing to pay would lead to an arrest, or posing as an lottery official advising the resident that they have won a large cash prize and payment of taxes on the winnings must be sent prior to receiving the prize. Many of these phone calls in these scams speak with a thick Middle Eastern Indian accent. Residents are advised to be cautious when asked to provide any personal information over the phone or through an email.

BILLS SUBMITTED

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

ORDINANCE #1568
Delco. Solid Waste

Dr. Janiczek moved for the adoption of Ordinance #1568 approving an amendment to Ordinance #1162 (Chapter 118, "Solid Waste Management") of the Code of the Township of Springfield. The proposed ordinance extends an agreement with the Delaware County Solid Waste Authority for a period of 25 years commencing on January 1, 2017. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE
Stop Intersection

Mr. Layden read a proposed ordinance rescinding the existing four-way stop signs at the eastern intersection of Hawarden Road and Colonial Park Drive and replacing it with a three-way stop at the western intersection of Hawarden Road and Colonial Park Drive facing northbound, eastbound and westbound traffic. He moved that the proposed ordinance be approved on its first reading and advertised. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

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On motion of Mrs. Sage, Resolution #2-16 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 \$400,000.00. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

RESOLUTION #2-16
County Liquid Fuels

Mr. Wechsler moved for the adoption of Resolution #3-16 authorizing the proper officers of the Township to execute a one year Mowing Agreement with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation. Seconded by Mr. Layden and carried.

RESOLUTION #3-16
PennDOT Mowing
Agreement

Mr. Kelly moved for the adoption of Resolution #4-16 appointing Mrs. Trish McFarland, 242 Lynbrooke Road, who presently serves on the Zoning Hearing Board as an alternate member, be appointed as a full member on the Zoning Hearing Board to complete the term created by the resignation of Mr. Stein. Seconded by Mrs. Sage and carried.

RESOLUTION #4-16
Zoning Hearing Board

Mr. Lanciano reviewed the 2016 Pool Rates: The rates are as follows: Adult - \$190, First Child - \$95, Second and additional children (3 – 22) - \$65, Seniors - \$150 and a \$100 maintenance fee. Join before April 30, 2016 and receive the following discounts: Single Member - \$50, Family discount (2 or more members) \$100 and Senior Citizens Discount (65 and older) - \$25. Daily guest fees will remain the same and the pool will continue to offer sponsorships after May 1st and would be charged an additional sponsorship fee of \$100.

2016 POOL RATES

Mr. Lanciano moved authorizing the approval of the 2016 Country Club Pool Rates. Seconded by Mr. Layden and carried.

On motion of Mr. Layden, the 2016 C.C. golf permit and daily playing fees were approved. The rates will remain the same as in 2015. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

2015 GOLF FEES

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CIVIL SERVICE
PROMOTIONAL
EXAMS

Dr. Janiczek moved authorizing the Civil Service Commission to make the necessary preparations to give promotional exams for the position of Sergeant and Lieutenant. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

POLICE TOWING
SERVICES

Mrs. Sage moved to appoint two alternate police towing service companies, Capital Towing and Bill's Auto Body for the year 2016. Seconded by Mr. Wechsler and carried.

BIDS AUTHORIZED

Mr. Layden moved that the proper officers of the Township be authorized to advertise for receipt of bids for Country Club Golf Car Lease to be received no later than 10:00 a.m. on March 4, 2016. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

Mr. Wechsler moved that the proper officers of the Township be authorized to advertise for receipt of bids for the construction of a Sanitary Sewer Extension in the area of Thomson Avenue and Sproul Road to be received no later than 11:00 a.m. on March 4, 2016. Seconded by Mr. Layden and carried.

Dr. Janiczek moved that the proper officers of the Township be authorized to advertise for receipt of bids for the Sale of Township Property. The parcel is 2,466 square feet +/- acre parcel of vacant land located on the Southwest side of Philmar Court, 215' from Baltimore Pike to be received no later than 10:00 a.m. on March 4, 2016. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

APPOINTMENTS
CIVIL SERVICE
COMMISSION

Mr. Layden moved for the reappointment of Francis Grady, 445 Foulke Lane, and alternate member, Colleen Caceci, 669 N. Bishop Avenue to six year terms on the Civil Service Commission. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

On motion of Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mrs. Sage, Mr. Nicholas Orloff was appointed to fill an unexpired term as a full member on the Civil Service Commission.

CIVIL SERVICE
COMMISSION

Mr. Wechsler moved to appoint Matthew Minge, 819 Rhoads Drive, to fill an unexpired term as an alternate member of the Civil Service Commission. Seconded by Dr. Janiczek and carried.

Mr. Wechsler moved for the reappointment of Michael Mattox, 648 Buttonwood Road, to another term on the Environmental Committee. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

ENVIRONMENTAL
COMMITTEE

On motion of Mrs. Sage, Daniel McKeon, 619 Laurel Road, was reappointed to a three year term on the Environmental Committee. Seconded by Mr. Wechsler and carried.

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

Mr. Kelly moved for the reappointment of Jim Davis, 18 N. Norwinden Drive, to another term on the Environmental Committee. Seconded by Mrs. Sage and carried.

On motion of Mrs. Sage, Cynthia Silberstein, 929 Stoneybrook Road, was reappointed to a three year term on the Library Board. Seconded by Mr. Wechsler and carried.

LIBRARY BOARD

Mr. Layden moved to reappoint Colleen Caceci, 669 N. Bishop Avenue, to a five year term on the Park Board. Seconded by Dr. Janiczek and carried.

PARK BOARD

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AUDIENCE

Mr. George Miller, 311 Alliston Road, commented or questioned the following:

- Overlay and drainage of water at Lynbrooke Road & Norwinden Drive;
- Snowplowing on Lynbrooke Road;
- Snowplowing issue at the corner of Alliston and Alford Roads;
- Where to take hazardous waste;
- The pool maintenance fee
- Township-owned vacant land for sale 2,466 S.F.

Sari Steuber, 45 Papermill Road, representing Transition Town Media, a non-profit organization, informed the Board of an initiative program to help residents within a five mile radius of Media to be able to purchase solar panels for their home at a reduce rates. They are also offering a price lower than markets value on their electricity bill. She requested that information on this program be put on the Township's website.

ADJOURNMENT
(9:00 p.m.)

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