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The Board of Commissioner held two public hearings this evening. The first hearing was convened at 7:15 p.m. to consider an Inter-Municipal Liquor License Transfer to the location at 148 Saxer Avenue. The second hearing was began at 7:40 p.m. on a Zoning Map Amendment for 305 West Avenue and portion of 230-232 Baltimore Pike from “B” Resident District to “E” Business District. The applicants are David & Robert Miller. A Court Reporter was present to take verbatim testimony.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners was called to order by President Rudolph at 9:15 p.m. on Tuesday, June 13, 2017 in the Township Building.

REGULAR MEETING

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

ROLL CALL

The Invocation was given by Dr. Janiczek and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION

On motion of Mrs. Sage, the minutes of April 11 and May 9, 2017 be approved as submitted. Seconded by Mr. Wechsler and carried.

MINUTES

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Rudolph called for Committee Reports.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Kelly announced the 2017 Summer Reading Club Program will begin on Monday, June 26<sup>th</sup> and run through Friday, August 18<sup>th</sup>. This year’s theme is “Build A Better World.” The Kick-Off event will feature “Science is Everywhere,” presented by John Hadfield and will be held on Friday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> at 10:00 A.M. at the Township Building. Mr. Kelly thanked Mrs. Eleanor Shapiro, a long time

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Springfield resident that left a bequest of \$1,200.00 with the request that it be used to purchase large print books. Her daughter said Mrs. Shapiro used the library often and greatly appreciated it.

Parks

Mrs. Sage reported the Parks Department completed weekly lacrosse field maintenance for the season. The crew continues with their weekly baseball field maintenance and has set up Netherwood field for the upcoming U12 baseball tournament. All parks department responsibilities in preparation and clean-up of the Memorial Day Parade and the Lions Club Chicken Barbecue were accomplished. Repairs were made to the playground structures in Jane Lownes and Meadowgreen Parks.

Zoning

Mr. Wechsler reported that the application of the Springfield High School facility was continued to June 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Springfield Sports

Mr. Wechsler congratulated the Springfield High School Boy's Baseball team for making it to the State semi-finals and the Springfield High School Girl's lacrosse team for making it into the finals of the state tournament. The Springfield Boy's High School Lacrosse team were also congratulated for winning the State Championship for the 2<sup>nd</sup> year in a row.

Health

Dr. Janiczek reported for the month of May, the Health Officer inspected 10 restaurants, 7 retail establishments, and performed 5 reinspections, with four citations issued. He reminded residents that it is the owners' responsibility to make certain that their dogs are not running loose or leaving waste on others' property.

Golf Course

Mr. Layden reported total rounds for the month of May were 3,707, bringing the year to date total to 9,984. Total revenue for the month was \$169,431, which brings the year to date revenue to \$414,102. The golf course was opened 28 days, closed 3 days and opened late/closed early on 5 days. Total rainfall was 4.88". The first hole expansion has been completed and is now open.

Mr. Lanciano announced the pool opened its season on Saturday, May 27<sup>th</sup>. It rained two out of the three days the pool was open with below average temperatures. He reported for the month of May, membership fees were \$183,165.00, admissions & misc. \$386.00, Snack shop sales \$1,032.00, bringing the year-to-date pool revenue total to \$298,673.00. All three pools, box office and the snack shop have been inspected and are fully operational. The pool will be open seven days a week beginning, Friday, June 16<sup>th</sup> until Labor Day.

Pool

Mr. Lanciano announced there will be no trash or recycling collection on the Independence Day holiday, Tuesday, July 4<sup>th</sup>.

Public Works

Mr. Lanciano reported the Public Works Department collected during the month of May, 1,115 tons of trash, which cost the Township \$36,790.00. Year-to-date the Township has collected 4,328 tons, which has cost the Township \$142,728.00. For the month of May, paper collected was 104 tons. Paper collected year to date was 495 tons, with an income of \$41,905.00

Recycling

Mr. Lanciano announced that this past Saturday a plaque was unveiled in Jane Lownes Park honoring the life of Jane Lownes. He stated that the Board of Commissioners was approached by Howard Lownes, a direct descendent of Jane Lownes, requesting some type of historical marker be placed in the park to recognize her legacy. The project was accomplished by Zac Newman, a Springfield resident, as his project to earn his Eagle Scout Rank. The event was sponsored by Springfield Township Park Board and Parks Department.

Jane Lownes Park

Mr. Byrne announced that the Board of Commissioners met in Executive Session prior to the meeting to discuss legal issues related to the two hearings this evening.

Executive Session

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Movie Night

Mr. Rudolph announced the return of movie night on “sledding hill.” There are four movies planned this summer.

Dining on Saxer

Mr. Rudolph announced the Saxer Avenue Merchants Association are sponsoring “Dining on Saxer” again this summer. The first event will be on June 21<sup>th</sup> starting at 5 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. The second and third events are on July 19 and August 16 respectively. The plan this year is to be bigger than last year with music and a kids section to play.

BILLS SUBMITTED

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

PROPOSED ORDINANCE  
Zoning Map Amendment

Mr. Janiczek read a proposed ordinance amending the Zoning Map of 2010, as amended, by changing the zoning classification of the property at 305 West Avenue and the residentially zoned portion of 230-232 Baltimore from the existing “B” Residence District to “E” Business District. On motion of Mr. Janiczek, the proposed ordinance was accepted on its first reading and ordered advertised. Seconded by Mr. Layden with a roll call vote requested.

Mr. Kelly – aye, Mrs. Sage – nay, Mr. Wechsler – nay, Dr. Janiczek – aye, Mr. Layden – aye, Mr. Lanciano – aye, Mr. Rudolph – aye. The motion carried with a 5-2 vote.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE  
No Parking Zone

Mr. Wechsler read a proposed ordinance creating a “No Parking” zone on the southeast side of Whiteoak Road, extending from the southern property line of 15 Whiteoak Road north for 120 feet to the western property line of 424 Briarhill Road and the southwest side of Whiteoak Road, extending 48 feet north to the corner of Whiteoak and Briarhill Roads. He moved that the proposed ordinance be accepted on its first reading and advertised. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

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Regarding the transfer of a liquor license into Springfield discussed during this evening's first hearing, Mr. Kelly moved for the adoption of Resolution #9-17 approving the transfer of a Restaurant liquor license No. R-13631 to 148 Saxer Avenue by Rosses Point, LLC. Seconded by Dr. Janiczek and carried.

RESOLUTION #9-17  
Transfer of Liquor  
License

Mr. Wechsler moved for the adoption of Resolution #10-17 reappointing George Troilo, 453 Maplewood Road, to a five year term on the Zoning Hearing Board. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

RESOLUTION #10-17  
Zoning Hearing Board

Mr. Layden moved to approved the Preliminary/Final Lot Consolidation Plan at 230-244 Baltimore Pike and 305West Avenue, for Miller Jeep, contingent upon compliance with the engineer's comments from Pennoni Associates letter of February 26, 2016, approval of the zoning petition to amend the Township Zoning Map and Ordinance to designate a portion of the property, currently zoned B-Residence District to E-Business District, and that some instrument be enacted to bind the two lots on either side at West Avenue and prohibit the sale of either lot as separate parcels. Seconded by Dr. Janiczek. Mr. Rudolph asked Mr. Fulton for a roll call vote.

LOT CONSOLIDATION  
PLAN – Miller's Jeep

Mr. Kelly – aye, Mrs. Sage – nay, Mr. Wechsler – nay, Dr. Janiczek – aye, Mr. Layden – aye, Mr. Lanciano – aye, Mr. Rudolph – aye. The motion carried with a 5-2 vote.

On motion of Mrs. Sage, Commissioners Kelly and Lanciano, and, employee representative Mr. Artese were reappointed to the Civilian Pension Plan Committee. Seconded by Mr. Wechsler and carried.

CIVILIAN PENSION  
PLAN COMMITTEE

Dr. Janiczek moved for the reappointment of Michael Thompson, 604 Yale Avenue, to a three year term on the Code Appeals Board. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

CODE APPEALS  
BOARD

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

ADJOURNMENT  
(9:45 p.m.)