

MARCH 10, 2015

REGULAR MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners was called to order by President Rudolph at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 10, 2015 in the Township Building.

ROLL CALL

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

INVOCATION

The Invocation was given by Father John Gabin of Holy Cross Church, and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATION

On behalf of the Board of Commissioners, Mr. Wechsler presented a Resolution to the St. Francis Girls Varsity Basketball Team which included 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> graders for reaching the final four of the Archdiocese Tournament, Region 25 Champions.

PROCLAMATION

Mr. Kelly presented a Proclamation to Dr. William McCusker, naming him as Grand Marshal of the Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade. Dr. McCusker was present to accept the Proclamation.

MINUTES

On motion of Mr. Layden, the minutes of February 10, 2015 were approved as transcribed. Seconded by Lanciano and carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Rudolph called for Committee Reports.

Parks

Mr. Kelly read the Parks Department maintenance report for the month of February. The Parks crew completed all snow removal responsibilities during recent storms. All winter equipment maintenance and renovations to park entrance signs have been completed. Parks Department will begin preparing all playing fields for the upcoming season.

Mr. Kelly reported the golf course was closed for the month of February. Total revenue for the month was \$2,090, bringing the year to date revenue total to \$10,091. Mr. Kelly read the golf course monthly maintenance report. The golf course crew completed all snow removal responsibilities. The winter maintenance and repair program is 90% completed. The cart path bridges on holes 1 and 8 have been resurfaced. The golf shop had total merchandise sales for the month at \$1,054.00, bringing the year to date revenue total to \$1,391.00.

Golf Course

Mrs. Sage reported at the February 26<sup>th</sup> Zoning Hearing the Board granted a Use Variance to the Social Enrichment Center to permit the use of a social skills therapy clinic for children aged 2 through 21 years at C.C. United Methodist Hancock Church. The Board also granted a Use Variance to Crozer Keystone to use the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of St. Kevin school building, 200 W. Sproul Road, as business offices for homecare and hospice services. There are no hearings scheduled for March.

Zoning

Mr. Wechsler announced the Planning Commission was scheduled to meet last Thursday, but was canceled because of the snow storm. On the docket was Enterprise Car Lease, 436 Baltimore Pike, for the use of constructing a car wash facility. The meeting has been continued to April 2<sup>nd</sup>. Also, at the April meeting, the Planning Commission will review an application by Mary & Pearl Jamgochian of 500 Saxer Avenue. This will entail the preliminary review of a subdivision plan that would include the construction of seven new homes on Saxer Avenue.

Planning

Dr. Janiczek reported recycled paper collected for February 2015 was 55.94 tons compared to 56.3 tons collected during the same period in 2014. Commingled recycling totaled 96 tons for February 2015, compared to 107.22 tons collected in February 2014. Refuse collected for February 2015 was 568 tons compared to 541 tons collected in February 2014.

Public Works

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Dr. Janiczek reminded residents to recycle their paper and commingled items. He announced that due to the Good Friday holiday on Friday, April 3, trash and recycling will not be collected. He stated to call the Township garage to report any potholes that are in need of patching.

Library

Dr. Janiczek announced the “Friends of the Springfield Library” will hold their annual spring book sale on Saturday, April 11 to Monday, April 13, 2015. Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup> is the last day to drop off books for this sale. The Young Poets of Delaware County Annual Competition for youngsters in grades 1 – 12 can pick-up guidelines at the Youth Services Desk. Entries should be submitted to the Library by March 27<sup>th</sup>.

Ice Rink

Mr. Layden reported the Springfield Ice Rink will hold its last public skating session of the season on Sunday, March 22. The rink will remain open until April 12 for parties and ice rentals.

Pool

Mr. Layden reported that despite poor weather, construction of the pool continues and is on schedule. He announced the 2015 “Early Sign Up” membership applications are now available. Applications were mailed out to all Springfield residents. Applications can be downloaded from the Pool or Township websites. This application reflects last year’s pool fees and will be good through April 30, 2015. As of May 1, 2015, a new application and fees will be in effect.

Mr. Layden reviewed the 2015 Pool Rates: The rates will remain the same as in 2014 until April 30, 2015. Starting May 1, 2015, the pool rates will be restructured and will include a \$100 maintenance fee, first and second member fee (regardless of age) will increase to \$380.00. Springfield resident pool members can sponsor an immediate family members(s) residing outside Springfield Township at an additional sponsorship fee of \$100. Another revision is raising the adult age from 18 to 23. The selling of pass booklets is discontinued. Guest fees will remain the same as 2014.

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Mr. Lanciano stated the Environmental Committee is in the process of reorganizing and they will be developing a mission statement.

Environmental

Mr. Lanciano reported for the month of January 2015, there were 192 emergencies in Springfield, with SAC responding to 177 of those for 92% of the total while outside ambulances responding to 15 emergencies. The average response time from dispatch to arrival was 6.8 minutes. For the month of February 2015, there were 181 emergencies in Springfield, with SAC responding to 164 of those for 91% of the total while outside ambulances responded to 17 emergencies. The average response time from dispatch to arrival was 6.9 minutes.

Ambulance Corps

Mr. Rudolph read a list of fire safety tips in making your home safer place to live with electricity. Heat producing electrical appliances should be unplugged when not in use, electrical cords should be in good condition and not kept beneath furniture or rugs and electrical outlets should not be overloaded. Also, never use water on an electrical fire.

Fire Company

Mr. Rudolph announced the 37<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Patrick's Day parade will held on Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup> at noon. Residents living along the parade route are reminded that "no parking" signs will be posted throughout the area the day before the parade. Make arrangements to have vehicles moved into driveways or parked on neighboring streets off the parade route. With milder weather finally upon us, the Police Department anticipates the possibility of increased criminal activity during the overnight hours. Residents are reminded to remove valuables from their vehicles and store them out of sight. Always keep vehicles locked. It is also recommended to have all garages and sheds locked.

Police

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

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2015 POOL RATES

Mr. Layden moved authorizing the approval of the 2015 Country Club Pool Rates, as read in his committee report. Seconded by Dr. Janiczek and carried.

MS4 PERMIT UPDATE

Mr. Lanciano stated the Township is required to maintain a permit with the PA Department of Environmental Protection as an operator of a municipal separate storm sewer system. He read a list of Best Management Practices associated with the DEP's MS4 Permit renewal. Year 2's activities are to be completed by June 30, 2015. Mr. Lanciano moved to approve the required reading of the update. Seconded by Mr. Layden and carried.

CIVILIAN PENSION  
PLAN COMMITTEE

Mr. Wechsler moved for the appointment of Commissioner Edward Kelly replacing former Commissioner Michael Culp to the Civilian Pension Plan Committee. Seconded by Mr. Layden and carried.

GOLF ADVISORY  
BOARD

Mrs. Sage moved for the appointment Michael Placido, 107 S. Norwinden Drive, to a four year term on the Golf Advisory Board. Seconded by Mr. Layden and carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Bill Gough, 624 Barclay Circle, commented on the street lights that are on during the night and need to be extinguished. He referenced several locations of the "day burners."

ADJOURNMENT  
(8:41 p.m.)

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