

NOVEMBER 14, 2017

REGULAR MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners was called to order by President Rudolph at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 14, 2017 in the Township Building.

ROLL CALL

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.

CONDITIONAL  
USE HEARING

Mr. Rudolph announced the Board of Commissioners convened at 7:00 p.m. this evening to hear a Conditional Use Application for the School District. They are requesting approval relating the relocation of the previously approved four (4), eighty (80) feet tall light standards for athletic field lighting. A court reporter was present to take verbatim testimony.

INVOCATION

The Invocation was given by Deacon Baxter of St. Francis of the Assisi Church at the Conditional Use Hearing held earlier. The Board of Commissioners recited the Pledge of Allegiance during the regular meeting.

MINUTES

On motion of Mr. Layden, the minutes of October 10, 2017 be approved as submitted. Seconded by Dr. Janiczek 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.

Library

Mr. Kelly announced the Library's annual direct mail fund drive has begun. The Library is once again providing a drop-off site for the U.S. Marine's Toys for Tots program. Deadline to drop off toys is December 9<sup>th</sup>. The Library's Youth Programs Fall Session 2 began on October 30<sup>th</sup> and will continue until December 8<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Kelly thanked all those who participated in the Fall Book Sale.

Mrs. Sage reported the Parks Department crew has completed football, soccer and field hockey weekly field maintenance for the year. New dugouts were installed to the baseball field at Meadowgreen Park. The crew planted two maple trees at the bocce court at Church Road Park and one maple tree at the basketball court at Memorial Park. On October 14<sup>th</sup> a ceremony was conducted to name the football field at Crowell Park as “George Plank Field.” She noted that George Plank was a longtime volunteer on the Park Board.

Parks

Mr. Wechsler reported on the actions at the Zoning Hearing Board meeting on October 26<sup>th</sup>, the Board denied the application for a driveway widening on Kelli Lane. The School District’s application for a Special Exception and Variances to permit the construction of a new high school building and related accessory use buildings were approved.

Zoning

Mr. Wechsler noted November 11<sup>th</sup> is Veterans Day. On behalf of the Board of Commissioners, Mr. Wechsler thanked all veterans in Springfield for their service.

Veterans

Dr. Janiczek reported for the month of October, the Health Officer inspected 10 restaurants, 4 retail establishments, and performed 3 reinspections. One citation was issued. There were 1 dog bite and 3 dog/cat complaints. He reminded residents that leaves must be raked to the edge of the lawn and not the curb or into the street. He noted that the Township is required to compost the leaves and it provides credit towards our yearly DEP 904 Grant.

Health

Mr. Layden reported total rounds for the month of October was 3,122 bringing the year to date total to 31,133. Total revenue for the month was \$141,961, bringing the year to date revenue to \$1,368,336. The golf course was opened 28 days, closed 3 days, opened late/closed early on 2 days. Total rainfall was 6.35".

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Public Works

Mr. Lanciano reported the Highway Department is in the process of patching and sealing roadways, as well as cleaning and repairing inlets throughout the Township. The 2017 leaf collection began on October 30<sup>th</sup>. On the Thanksgiving holiday, there will be no trash or recycling collection on Thursday, November 23 and Friday, November 24.

Ice Rink

Mr. Lanciano announced the Ice Skating Rink is in full swing with public skating every Friday and Saturday evening from 8:00 to 9:30 p.m. and Sunday afternoons from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. Additional information can be found on the ice rink's website.

BILLS SUBMITTED

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

BIDS: Gasoline &  
Diesel Fuel

Mrs. Sage reported three bids were received for Gasoline and Diesel Fuel. She moved that the bid be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, Riggins, Inc. at the cost of \$1.947 per gallon for gasoline and \$2.07 for diesel fuel. Seconded by Mr. Kelly and carried.

SALE OF SURPLUS  
EQUIPMENT

Mr. Wechsler moved that a Township vehicle sold through Municbid be awarded to the highest responsible bidder. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

SPRINGFIELD  
HIGH SCHOOL

Mr. Byrne stated there are two items on the agenda this evening that has to do with the Conditional Use Application and the Preliminary/Final Land Development Plan Application for the construction of a new high school. The Board of Commissioners began the special meeting at 7:00 p.m. this evening with Mr. Petrosa making a presentation to the Board. The Board recessed at 8:00 p.m. to begin the Board of Commissioners regularly scheduled meeting. The Conditional Use Hearing and reviewing the Preliminary/Final Land Development Plan will reconvene after the completion of the regular scheduled meeting.

Mr. Byrne stated that there is still a good amount of material to review and the Board of Commissioners and Township Engineer will be speaking and public comment will be offered. On joint agreement between the School District and Board of Commissioners, a special meeting has been scheduled for next Tuesday, November 21, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. at which time the Board of Commissioners will render a decision.

Dr. Janiczek read the proposed 2018 Budget Ordinance. The 2018 budget calls for expenditures of \$17,820,102 with a millage rate increase to 5.810 mills. He moved that the proposed ordinance be approved on its first reading and advertised. Seconded by Mr. Layden and carried.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE  
2018 BUDGET

Mr. Kelly read a proposed ordinance amending Chapter 52, entitled "Food Establishments" by adding the definition "Kiosk." Kiosks shall be limited to non-food items, unless produce is pre-packaged and obtained from an approved food source as required under the PA Department of Agriculture, Title 7 - Food Code, Chapter 46. He moved that the proposed ordinance be accepted on its first reading and advertised. Seconded by Dr. Janiczek and carried.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE  
Kiosk

Mr. Wechsler moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 18-17 authorizing the proper officers of the Township to execute a Master Casting Agreement with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation. Seconded by Mr. Kelly and carried.

RESOLUTION #18-17  
PennDOT Master  
Casting Agreement

Mr. Lanciano moved authorizing the Township Engineer to release the remaining funds of \$12,233.74 from the escrow account to the Church of the Redeemer, 19 N. Hillcrest Road. Seconded by Mr. Layden and carried.

RELEASE OF  
ESCROW FUNDS

On motion of Mr. Layden, the 2018 Golf Course Playing Fees and Permits Fees were approved. The Daily Playing Fees will be increased by \$2.00 over last year's rate. Season passes were increased \$100 for adults and \$25 for juniors.

2018 GOLF FEES

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PUBLIC COMMENT

The “active” veteran rate was changed to “all” military vets, which receive a 10% discount. Outing and permit fees remain the same as 2017. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

George Miller, 311 Alliston Road, asked for a copy of the budget. Mrs. Warner provided him a copy of the proposed 2018 budget.

Gunther Defres, 462 Collins Drive, raised his concerns over the traffic on Collins Drive. Mr. Fulton spoke with the Police Chief and stated that the police have been on Collins Drive monitoring the traffic on several occasions. Mr. Lanciano stated the Police Department recently performed a traffic study on Collins and will provide Mr. Defres with the results. Mr. Lanciano noted that this is the 7<sup>th</sup> traffic study done in the past ten years.

Carmelo Mayo, 217 Sedgewood Road, stated that she owns a business on Ballymore Road and has heard rumors that there is going to be a change in the parking on Saxer Avenue from angle parking to parrell parking. Mr. Kelly stated the parking will not change and when she hears these rumors to reach out to him.

ADJOURNMENT  
(8:39 p.m.)

Dr. Janiczek moved that the meeting be adjourned to resume the Conditional Use Hearing and review of the Land Development Plan for the Springfield High School. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.