

NOVEMBER 9, 2011

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners was called to order by President Mahoney at 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 9, 2011 in the Township Building.

The following Commissioners were also present: Messrs. Wechsler, Rudolph, Layden, Janiczek and Lanciano. Mrs. Sage was absent. Also present was Messrs. Fulton and Byrne.

The Invocation was given by Reverend Pamela McShane of the Blue Church, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Dr. Janiczek read a Proclamation declaring the month of November as "Lung Cancer Awareness Month" dedicated to decreasing the number of deaths due to lung cancer. Marge Frank, a nurse at Delaware County Memorial Hospital, who works with lung cancer patients, came forward to receive the Proclamation.

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

Mr. Mahoney called for Committee Reports.

Dr. Janiczek reminded residents of the leaf collection requirements. It is a violation of Township regulations for leaves to be raked into the street. Leaves in the street pose a hazard to motorists and accumulation of leaves in storm sewer inlets create poor drainage conditions. The schedule for the fall leaf collection program is posted on the Township's website and the TV channel. Residents can also place the leaves in biodegradable paper bags. Anyone who bags their leaves in the paper bags are asked to call the Public Works for the bags to be picked-up.

REGULAR MEETING

ROLL CALL

INVOCATION

PROCLAMATION

PUBLIC COMMENT

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Code Enforcement

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Environmental

Mr. Wechsler stated he had the pleasure attending the CRC Banquet. At that annual banquet, Springfield's Environmental Advisory Committee was awarded the Volunteer Associate of the Year Award. He gave a brief history of the committee with its creation in 1977 making Springfield the first municipality in Delaware County to establish an environmental advisory committee.

Public Works

Mr. Rudolph noted the early snowfall on October 29. Due to Veterans' Day on Friday, November 11th, there will be no trash or recycling collection. Due to Thanksgiving holidays on Thursday, November 24 and Friday, November 25, trash, paper and commingled recycling will not be collected.

Library

Mr. Layden reported the Youth Services area will receive improvements with the addition of a new circulation desk and carpeting. The upgrade will be funded by the Friends of Springfield Library with receipt of their book sales. The Library will be closed December 12 – 18, 2011 for the work to be completed. The Library is once again providing a drop-off site for the U.S. Marine's Toys for Tots program. Deadline for donating new unwrapped toys is December 9th. The Library is also a drop-off site for used eyeglasses and hearing aids. The Lions Club repairs and distributes these items to those in need.

Parks

Mr. Lanciano read the Parks Department maintenance report. Renovations to the infield on the baseball field in Old Netherwood Park was completed as well as repairs to the damaged soccer field in New Netherwood Park. The Parks Department assisted the Tree Tenders in the planting of 43 trees in Rolling Green Park and 31 trees in Walsh Park.

Golf Course

Mr. Lanciano read the Golf Course maintenance report for the month of October. The irrigation system is currently being winterized, hedges and bushes have been trimmed and

daily leaf clean-up continues. For the month of October, total rounds were 2,780, bringing the year-to-date total to 29,557 rounds. Total revenue was \$115,207, bringing the year to date revenue to \$1,182,451.

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

On motion of Mr. Lanciano, seconded by Dr. Janiczek, the Treasurer's Report for the month of October 2011 was accepted and ordered filed.

Mr. Rudolph reported one bid was received from Superior Plus Energy Services. He moved to table awarding a contract for Gasoline and Diesel Fuel in order to allow for further review. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

Mr. Layden moved for the adoption of Resolution No.16-11 authorizing the proper officers of the Township to execute a Master Casting Agreement with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

Mr. Lanciano summarized a proposed ordinance establishing procedures for the installation, use and maintenance of sewer grinder pumps and any associated force mains or low-pressure laterals. Mr. Lanciano explained a new pressure grinder pump sanitary sewer system will be installed in the Beatty Hills area. The Township has received a grant in the amount of \$275,000 to offset the cost. A full copy of the ordinance is available for public viewing. He moved that the proposed ordinance be accepted for its first reading and advertised. Seconded by Mr. Rudolph and carried.

BILLS SUBMITTED

TREASURER'S REPORT

BIDS TABLED

RESOLUTION #16-11
PennDOT Master
Casting Ageement

PROPOSED ORDINANCE
Grinder Pumps

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PROPOSED ORDINANCE
No Parking

Mr. Wechsler read a proposed ordinance creating a “No Parking” zone on the northwesterly side of Johnston Road 176.3 feet from the Saxer Avenue intersection and 135 feet north on the east side of Lownes Lane from 7:00 – 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. He moved that the proposed ordinance be accepted for its first reading and advertised. Seconded by Dr. Janiczek and carried.

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Mr. Wechsler moved for the appointment of Mr. Todd McGarvey, 246 Franklin Avenue, to an unexpired term on the Environmental Committee. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

AUDIENCE

Mrs. Regina Sheerer, 34 Old State Road, asked if there was any follow-up to the residents concerns in regard to the low pressure grinder pump system. Mr. Lanciano stated this is a joint project between Marple and Springfield. The Township Manager and I met with the representatives from Marple and we intend to send out letters inviting the residents of joint meetings to discuss all of these issues.

Mr. Brendan Dunn, 271 N. Norwinden Drive, presented the Board with a petition signed by many of his neighbors requesting a stop sign at Claremont Road and N. Norwinden Drive. The petition also requests lowering the speed limit to 15 m.p.h., painted crosswalks and police enforcement. Mr. Layden replied a stop sign can be installed in a timely manner. He explained reducing the speed limit from 25 to 15 m.p.h. outside of a school zones is not permissible by state law.

ADJOURNMENT
(8:35 P.M.)

Mr. Mahoney moved that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Mr. Rudolph and carried.