

OCTOBER 10, 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, October 10, 2017 in the Township Building.

ROLL CALL

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

INVOCATION

The Invocation was given by Reverend David Beresford of the Church of the Redeemer and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS

Ben Miller, Director of Public Education for the Springfield Ambulance Corps, presented to Dennis McPartland, representing the Springfield Police Department, a carbon monoxide detector made to be clipped to a police officer's belt. The Ambulance Corps use their detectors by attaching them to a first aid bag located in the ambulances. Mr. Miller stated the newer squad cars from the Ford factory is leaking carbon monoxide into the cab of some of the police vehicles. The Ambulance Corps purchased five carbon monoxide detectors as a donation to the Police Department.

MINUTES

On motion of Mr. Kelly, the minutes of September 12, 2017 be approved as submitted. Seconded by Mr. Wechsler 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 reported that the Library's Youth Programs Fall Session 1 will end on Friday, October 13th and after a short break, Fall Session 2 will begin on Monday, October 30th. The youth programs are the first step to "Every Child Ready to Read" and provide guidance to parents on how to encourage early literacy skills at home. The Library will hold their fall book sale at the Township Building on October 21st,

October 22nd and the popular bag sale on Monday, October 23rd. Mr. Kelly announced the WiFi network at the Library has been upgraded to meet new wireless standards and are three times faster. Viruses and spyware will be blocked and isolated from devices that use the network. The Library continued to have content filtering that meets the Children's Internet Protection Act.

Mr. Wechsler reported the Zoning Hearing Board convened on September 28th to hear continued testimony on the School District application for the request of a Special Exception and Variances from the Zoning Ordinance to permit the construction of a new high school building and related accessory use buildings. At the conclusion of the September 28th hearing, the Board announced that they will hear continued testimony on October 26th. The applicant has amended their application to include additional variance requests that has arisen due to changes to the plan. Also at the October hearing, an application concerning a residential property at 710 Kelli Lane appealing a denial of a grading permit to allow the expansion of an existing driveway will be heard.

He noted the Planning Commission met on October 5th to review a Conditional Use application by the School District to relocate the previously approved athletic field lighting.

Dr. Janiczek reported for the month of September, the Health Officer inspected 7 restaurants, 6 retail establishments, 5 schools and performed 4 reinspections. Two citations were issued. There were 2 dog bites that occurred during September. Dr. Janiczek announced the Township is providing a free shredding event for residents on Saturday, October 14th from 10 am to 1 pm.

Dr. Janiczek announced public skating will begin Friday, October 13th with skating every Friday and Saturday evenings from 8:00 – 9:30 p.m. and Sunday afternoons from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. All skating sessions are open to the general public.

Zoning

Health

Ice Rink

Public Works

Mr. Lanciano reported that the Public Works Department is comprised of 12 men in the Highway Department, 16 men in the Sanitation Department; 3 men in the Sanitary Sewer Department, 3 mechanics, and 3 part time workers. The Public Works Department is in the process of repairing and cleaning inlets throughout the Township. Traffic line painting and hot tape installation on new paved streets was completed. They are also in the process of inspecting all of the leaf collection equipment. Leaf collection begins on Monday, October 30th.

Recycling

Mr. Lanciano reported the Public Works Department collected during the month of September, 839 tons of trash, which cost the Township \$28,713.00. For the month of September, paper collected was 94 tons with an income of \$6,580.00. Commingled collection was 73 tons. Year-to-date the Township has collected 8,037 tons of trash which cost the Township \$265,211.00. Year-to-date collection of paper was 891 tons with an income of \$50,302.00. Year-to-date collection for commingled was 696 tons. Mr. Lanciano explained the importance of recycling which is good financially and for the environment.

Springfield Family Day

Mr. Rudolph announced that Springfield Family Day (Springfield Rocks) held on the first Sunday in October was a tremendous success for those who came out and we look forward to expanding even further next year on October 7, 2018.

Springfield Cares

Mr. Rudolph announced Springfield Cares Coalition will hold a town hall meeting concerning “The Opioid Crisis – Early Warning Signs of Addiction” scheduled for 7 p.m. on Monday, October 16th at E.T. Richardson school. There will be speakers along with a question/answer session.

Fire Prevention Week

Mr. Rudolph announced the Fire Company will have their Fire Prevention Open House on Friday, October 13th beginning at 6:00 p.m.

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Mr. Rudolph asked residents to make sure Halloween night is a safe, and fun, night for everyone.

Halloween

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

BILLS SUBMITTED

Dr. Janiczek moved authorizing the Township Engineer to release the remaining funds of \$3,073.43 from the escrow account to Anna Andreadis, 110A Baltimore Pike. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

RELEASE OF
ESCROW FUNDS

Mr. Lanciano moved authorizing the Township Solicitor to represent the Township in regards to an appeal from a denial of a grading permit for 710 Kelli Lane at the October 26th Zoning Hearing Board meeting. Seconded by Dr. Janiczek and carried.

SOLICITOR
AUTHORIZED

Mr. Wechsler moved that the proper officers of the Township be authorized to advertise for receipt of bids for 87 Octane Gasoline and Ultra-low Sulfur Diesel Fuel to be received no later than 10:00 a.m. November 10, 2017. Seconded by Mr. Kelly and carried.

BIDS AUTHORIZED

Mr. Kelly moved authorizing the Township Engineer to release the remaining funds of \$99,314.00 to Duke Scott Enterprises, LP, for Scott Kia, 321 Baltimore Pike. Seconded by Mr. Wechsler and carried.

RELEASE OF
ESCROW FUNDS

Mr. Jim Bannon, 329 Avon Road, offered public thanks to the Township, its staff and Commissioners, for the events that have been happening lately in the Township. He believes these extra activities really helps foster a sense of community and are some of the reasons that makes Springfield such a great place to live.

PUBLIC COMMENT

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

ADJOURNMENT
(8:26 p.m.)