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 8, 2019 in the Township Building.

ROLL CALL

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

INVOCATION

The Invocation was given by Father Matthew Tralies of St. Francis of Assisi Church and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATION

On behalf of the Board of Commissioners, Mr. Wechsler presented a Certificate of Achievement to the St. Francis of Assisi CYO Track team for becoming the 2019 CYO Archdiocesan Track Champions. The head coach and team members came forward and accepted the congratulations for their successful season.

LIFESAVING AWARD

Mr. Lanciano presented a lifesaving award to Daniel Albany for his lifesaving action at the Springfield Country Club Pool on June 16th. Daniel came forward to accept his plaque.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Rudolph asked if anyone in the audience wished to comment on any of the agenda items. Seeing no one, the meeting continued.

Mr. Rudolph called for Committee Reports.

Family Fun Day

Mr. Kelly stated that the 4th Annual Springfield Family Day was held this past Sunday. It was another great success with an impressive turnout. He thanked the volunteers and employees who helped in making this day a success.

Zoning

Mr. Kelly reported the Zoning Hearing Board heard two applications on September 26th. The Board denied the variance application of Robert & David Miller to permit off-street parking at the rear of 305 West Avenue. The

Board approved a Special Exception application to permit the height of an attached garage to 18 feet at 960 Sara Drive. There are two zoning applications to be heard on October 24th. Both applications are for sign variances.

Health

Mrs. Sage reported for the month of September, the Health Officer inspected 7 restaurants, 8 retail establishments, 2 reinspections and 4 institutions. Mrs. Sage stated that if you see spotted lanternflies it is important to kill them and reported the siting to the PA Dept. of Agriculture. If a tree has these invasive bugs, you are requested to contact a licensed arborist for advice and possible action. Residents are advised not to cut down the tree themselves.

Flu Shots

Mrs. Sage announced there will be a drive-thru flu shot clinic for Delaware County residents on October 9th between 10am and 2 pm at the Broomall Fire Station. This is being sponsored by the Delaware County Council and the Department of Intercommunity Health Coordination.

Library

Dr. Janiczek read the list of upcoming Library programs. He announced the Library will hold their fall book sale at the Township Building on October 19, October 20th and the popular bag sale on October 21st. He stated the display windows located at the upper level of the Library are available for the remainder of 2019. Reservations are now being taken for 2020.

Ice Rink

Mr. Lanciano reported the Ice Skating Rink is open for all wintertime activities. Public skating is every Friday and Saturday evenings from 8:00 – 9:30 p.m. and Sunday afternoons from 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. All skating sessions are open to the general public. Admission is $7.00 and Skate rental is $2.00.

Pool

Mr. Lanciano reported the year-to-date totals for the pool are: membership fees were $354,920.00, guest admissions $38,558.00, swim lessons $2,160.00, misc. $2,760.00, snack bar sales $50,790.00. The Swim Team contributed $750.00. The end of year total revenue was $449,938.00.

Planning

Mr. Wechsler reported the Planning Commission did not meet in October as there were no applications to review.

Insurance

Mr. Wechsler stated that the Township received notice from our insurance carrier that there will be no increase in premiums next year.

New Police Facility

Mr. Wechsler stated the architect is still working on putting together a request for proposals for a new police facility. Financing of the project is in the works.

Saxer/Brookside

Mr. Wechsler reported Saxer Avenue and Brookside Road projects are near completion. The Township has built a parking lot on the other side of the firehouse. This parking lot will add 28 parking spaces. He reminded residents that the angle parking on Saxer Avenue has always been limited to 2 hours by ordinance. Now that the new parking lot is near completion, the 2 hour parking on Saxer Avenue in front of the stores will be enforced. Sharon Bank will be moving into the former WFSF building on Saxer Avenue.

Public Works

Mr. Layden reported paving from the 2019 Overlay list is near completion. A punch list was generated from residents who have reported damage by the paving or milling contractors. The Township will prepare a list of repairs to give to the contractor. Due to Columbus Day on Monday, October 14th, trash and recycling will not be collected. Trash and recycling will be collected on Election Day, November 5th. The leaf collection schedule begins on Monday, November 4th.

Recycling

Mr. Layden reported the Public Works Department collected during the month of September, 880 tons of trash, paper collected was 71.8 tons, bulk collected 31.1 tons, commingled collection was 84.4 tons.

Golf Course

Mr. Layden reported total rounds for the month of September was 4,216 bringing the year to date total to 26,630 rounds. The total revenue for the month was $201,929.00 bringing the year to date revenue total to $1,268,859.00.

The golf shop revenue for the month of September was $13,158.00, bringing the shop's year to date total to $90,371.00. The golf course was opened every day during September.

Fire Company

Mr. Rudolph announced the Fire Company will have their Fire Prevention Open House on Friday, October 11th from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Saxer Avenue Halloween Parade

Mr. Rudolph announced the Saxer Avenue Halloween Parade will be Wednesday, October 23rd. Registration begins at 5:45 p.m. in St. Francis parking lot. The Parade begins at 6:00 p.m. There will be drinks and snacks at the Firehouse, along with best costume prizes.

Ambulance Corps

Mr. Rudolph read the Ambulance Corps safety tip for the month. Furnace season is around the corner. Be sure to schedule preventive maintenance on your furnace to ensure it can provide safe and reliable heat for the winter. Fall is a great time to check and replace smoke detector batteries.

Run for Heroes

Mr. Rudolph announced on Sunday, October 13th Springfield Township will host the 19th annual Delaware County Run for Heroes 5K Run/Walk. Funds raised benefits the Delaware County Hero Scholarship Fund providing children of police, firefighters and emergency responders who have died in the line of duty with scholarships.

BILLS SUBMITTED

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

ORDINANCE #1600 Stop Intersection

Mr. Lanciano moved for the adoption of Ordinance #1600 establishing a stop intersection at Rhoades Drive and Haines Lane facing southbound, northbound and westbound traffic. Seconded by Mr. Wechsler and carried.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE
Stop Intersection

Mr. Kelly read a proposed ordinance establishing a stop intersection at Lynbrooke Road and Hart Lane facing northeastbound traffic. He moved that the proposed ordinance be approved on its first reading and advertised. Seconded by Mrs. Sage and carried.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE
Recreational Vehicles

Mr. Wechsler read a proposed ordinance amending Chapter 138, Vehicles and Traffic, Article IV, Overnight Parking, by adding wording to Section 138-27 and 138-28.D "prohibiting the parking of recreational vehicles upon public highways within the Township between the hours of 7:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m." He moved that the proposed ordinance be approved on its first reading and advertised. Seconded by Mr. Layden and carried

PROPOSED ORDINANCE
Rental Dwelling Units

Dr. Janiczek summarized a proposed ordinance amending Chapter 106, Rental Dwelling Units, to include a new Subsection, 106-3G authorizing the Department of License and Inspections to revoke annual Certificates of Use in the event that a property incurs multiple violations of Township Ordinances and any of said violations remain unabated for a period in excess of 30 days. He moved that the proposed ordinance be approved on its first reading and advertised. Seconded by Mr. Layden and carried

RESOLUTION #18-19
Green Region Grant

Mrs. Sage moved for the adoption of Resolution #18-19 authorizing the Parks Director to submit a "Green Region" grant application to the National Land Trust & PECO. Funding will be used for a community bare root planting initiative. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

RESOLUTION #19-19
PennDOT Multimodal
Transportation Grant

Mr. Layden moved for the adoption of Resolution #19-19 authorizing the proper officials to execute all documents and agreements between the Township and the PA Department of Transportation to facilitate and assist in obtaining a Multimodal Transportation Fund grant of $285,000.00 to be used for pedestrian upgrades and signal modernization at the N. Rolling Road intersection with State Road (S.R. 0001). Seconded by Dr. Janiczek and carried.

POLICE OFFICER CANDIDATES

Mr. Kelly moved authorizing the Township Manager to make conditional job offers to the top scoring candidates in descending order for the hiring of two (2) police officers. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

WILLOW BAY LOT LINE CHANGE

Mr. Lanciano moved to reaffirm and approve the Willow Bay Final Subdivision Plan/Lot Line Change, prepared by H. Gilroy Damon Associates, Inc., dated December 15, 2005, last revised September 26, 2019. Hancock Methodist Church conveyed a 6,882 SF portion of church property to two adjacent properties located at 400 and 404 Baileys Run Lane. Seconded by Mr. Layden and carried.

RELEASE OF ESCROW FUNDS

Mr. Kelly moved authorizing the Township Engineer to release $1,999,980.62, leaving a balance of $1,934,349.37 for the construction of the new Springfield High School. Seconded by Mrs. Sage and carried.

PLANNING COMMISSION

On motion of Mr. Wechsler, Mr. Paul Kutufaris, 80 S. Hillcrest Road, was appointed to an unexpired term on the Planning Commission. Seconded by Mr. Layden and carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Kathy Shegda, 969 Greenbriar Lane, raised her concerns regarding the traffic at the intersection at Greenbriar Lane and Route 420. The traffic exiting the Springfield Park Shopping Center (Springfield Square East) onto Route 420 block the intersection making it almost impossible to exit Greenbriar Lane. She also stated that cars drive up Eaton Road down Greenbriar Lane racing through our development to try to beat the traffic light on Rt 420. She suggested speedbumps be installed. She stated the traffic backs-up in the parking lot of Chick-fil-A and creates a hazard. She also suggested that a robo call be made reminding residents that trash should not be placed at the curb until sundown the day before collection. In regard to the traffic light at Greenbriar Lane and Route 420, Dr. Janiczek stated he would speak with the Police Chief and

get the State involved since it is on a state highway. Dr. Janiczek also stated he would speak with the owner of the shopping center to discuss with them a possible reconfiguration in the parking lot and will get in touch with her.

Marie Turnball, 510 Sharpless Road stated she is one of the candidates for Commissioner and said that whoever is elected in the 3rd ward will be able to address the issue with the traffic issue at Greenbriar Lane and Rt. 420.

Nick Pedulla, 925 Greenbriar Lane, asked that whatever can be done on the speeding on Greenbriar Lane will be appreciated.

Mr. Wechsler moved that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Mr. Kelly and carried.

ADJOURNMENT
(9:15 p.m.)