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REGULAR MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners was called to order by President Rudolph at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 10, 2022, in the Township Building.

ROLL CALL

The following Commissioners were present: Messrs. Layden, Kelly, Kennedy, Lanciano, Ms. Sage. Also, present was Messrs. Fulton, Lucas, and Byrne. Absent was Mr. Dion.

INVOCATION

The Invocation was given by Rev. Tim Baxter, St. Francis of Assisi church, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance by Mr. Lanciano.

MINUTES

On motion of Mr. Kelly, the minutes of April 12, 2022, were approved as submitted. Second by Mr. Kennedy and carried.

PRESENTATION
LOYALTY DAY
PROCLAMATIONS

Mr. Kelly read the Loyalty Day proclamation, Ms. Sage presented the Loyalty Day Award to Firefighter Robert L. Bansept, Posthumously, Mr. Layden presented the Loyalty Day Award to Police Officer Bradley S. Lord and Mr. Lanciano presented the Loyalty Day Award to Springfield Ambulance Corp., Emergency Medical Technician Kruskal "Krus" Hewitt. All the Loyalty Day Awards presented this evening were for outstanding service to our community and presented with appreciation, gratitude, and sincere thanks from the Springfield Township Board of Commissioners, The Veterans of Foreign War and Senator Tim Kearney's office.

PUBLIC COMMENT

President Rudolph asked if anyone in the audience wished to comment on any of the agenda items,

Mr. David Russell, 424 Foulke Lane, inquired about

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the land swap agreement between Springfield Township and the School district. Mr. Russell is concerned about what Springfield Township is going to do with the land once it is Acquired, he feels we need more ball fields not less and is not in favor of a new Township/Police Building at that location.

President Rudolph called for Reports of Committees.

COMMITTEE
REPORTS

LIBRARY

Ms. Sage reported the Friends of the Springfield Library thanked everyone who helped and who came out to make the Spring Book Sale a success. We will begin accepting donations again on May 21 and the next sale will be in October. The library has small outside windows or large windows inside the front lobby available. Applications are available for the remainder of 2022. Contact Mrs. Rushton at 610-543-2113. A complete schedule of activities at the Library can be found at www.springfieldtwplib.org.

COMMUNITY
EVENTS

Mrs. Sage reported the Springfield Events series will begin with the Memorial Day Parade on May 30th. The first dining on Saxer will be June 15th, the first concert will be June 22nd, the first movie will be June 29th and the Fourth of July Parade. There will be some future events, we are Currently booking some bands and selecting movies and will pass it along through Social Media.

GOLF COURSE

Mr. Layden reported the total rounds for the month of April was 3,757 bringing the year-to-date total to 5,926 rounds. The year-to-date Golf Shop revenue was \$14,591.00 bringing the year-to-date total sales to \$25,636.00. The total revenue for the month was \$227,359 dollars for a year-to-date total of \$374,169.00. The seven-year moving average was \$222,278.00 leaving us with a positive of \$151,891.00. The irrigation system has been fully serviced and operational for the 2022 season. Completed all course Spring aerification, applications and clean up. Regular daily maintenance of the golf course continues. Daily course updates and more information can be found on our website at springfieldgolf.org and on our Facebook page, Springfield Country Club Golf or call the golf shop at 610-543-9860.

ZONING

Mr. Kennedy reported the Zoning Hearing Board did not convene a Public Meeting on April 28, 2022. The application of Target Corporation, ZH-22-01, was continued at the applicant's request. The Zoning Hearing Board will convene a Public Meeting on May 26, 2022, at 7:30pm at the Township Building, 50 Powell Road, to hear and render decisions on the following zoning hearing applications:
ZH-22-01: The continuation of the Application for Target Corporation, 857 Baltimore Pike, seeking variances for parking and signage. Additional testimony in this matter will be heard at the next regular scheduled public meeting.

ZH-22-05: Application of Larry Johnson, owner seeks the Following dimensional variance from the Zoning Ordinance to allow the construction of a 15'x 20' two story addition. The property is located in the "A" Residence District, as depicted on Zoning Map, and is known as: 314 Holt Lane.

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Mr. Kennedy reported the Parks Department has Completed the following ongoing work during the past month. The Parks Department completed two tree plantings this year, the first was to celebrate Earth Day at Wildwood Park, and the second was to celebrate Arbor Day with the Garden Club at Memorial Park. The Township was also presented with the TREE CITY USA AWARD for the 30th consecutive year. The shrubs were trimmed and mulched the garden at gazebo in Wagner Wayside Park. Installed a Rocket Spring Rider play piece at Walsh Park, put down new wood carpet at Wildwood Park playground, continuing with weekly trash removal, and grass cutting in all Parks and Township owned properties.

PARKS

Mr. Rudolph gave an Ambulance report. As we change seasons please be aware with the warmer weather, look for children playing in and around the streets and slow down, tick season is upon us so thoroughly check your children, pets and adults after being outside. The second report is the fire report, please be mindful of how you store gasoline, keep gasoline in an approved container and never transport gasoline in an open container. Read all the labels on the pesticides and chemicals you are using on your lawns and in your gardens, clean and check your grill for any damage that may have occurred over the winter months since it has not been used. Prior to using pool chemicals, read all instructions carefully.

PRESIDENT
RUDOLPH'S
ANOUNCEMENT

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BILLS SUBMITTED

Mr. Kennedy made a motion to approve the bills as submitted by the department heads, second by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Second Reading of Proposed Ordinance #1619 Volunteer Service Credit Program

Mr. Kelly read the second reading of Proposed Ordinance #1619 Establishing a Volunteer Service Credit Program; enacting tax credits for volunteer members of volunteer Fire/EMS companies and establishing administrative procedures and appeals. This is authorized by Pennsylvania Act 91 of October 2020. Mr. Kelly made a motion to approve the ordinance as written. Second by Ms. Sage and carried.

NEW BUSINESS

First Reading of Proposed Ordinance #1620 Land swap Agreement.

Mr. Kennedy read the first reading of Proposed Ordinance #1620 allowing to permit the exchange of Lot 1, Parks Building, 84 Saxer Avenue to School District for the park/field owned by the School District located at 200 Saxer Avenue.

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NEW BUSINESS
CONTD.

First Reading of
Proposed Ordinance
#1622 Amending
Chapter 77
Noise Ordinance

Ms. Sage read the first reading of Proposed Ordinance #1622 Amending Chapter 77 Noise Ordinance-updating the time allowed to start for Landscapers, Contractors, etc.

Retaining Monster
Paving's Maintenance
Bond

Mr. Lanciano made a motion to authorize the Township Solicitor to take legal action against Monster Paving, Inc., regarding the work performed or not performed at Meadow-Green Park, I so move. Second by Mr. Layden and carried.

Re-Appointment
Civil Service
Commission

Ms. Sage made a motion to reappoint Mr. Fran Grady, 445 Foulke Lane, to the Civil Service Commission for another six-year term which will expire on May 10, 2022, I so move. Second by Mr. Kelly and carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Rudolph moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:34p.m.