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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, August 9, 2022, in the Township Building.

ROLL CALL

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

INVOCATION

The Invocation was given by Rev. Mark Terry, Covenant United Church, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance by Mr. Layden.

PRESENTATION
POLICE AWARDS

Chief Daly presented awards to Springfield Detectives Kyle Cutcliffe, Bridget McCarthy and 16 Delaware County CID detectives for all their hard work on the Road Rage Murder incident that occurred on June 29, 2022. Chief Daly thanked Lt. Nolan from Delaware County CID for his help and because of all their hard tedious work a suspect and driver was apprehended within 48 hours. President Rudolph stated what a traumatic day that was for Springfield Township and on behalf of the Board of Commissioners how grateful they are and a heartfelt thank you to everyone.

MINUTES

On motion of Mr. Dion, the minutes of July 12, 2022, were approved as submitted. Second by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

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President Rudolph asked if anyone in the audience wished to comment on any of the agenda items. None

PUBLIC COMMENT

President Rudolph called for Reports of Committees.

COMMITTEE
REPORTS

Mr. Kelly gave the pool report for July. The year-to-date totals are as follows: membership fees are \$8,960.00, admissions \$14,489.00, miscellaneous and merchandise \$826.00 and the Snack Shop Sales, \$18,317.00 bringing the year-to-date totals to \$385,707.00. Bathhouse sewer lines were fully serviced, installed three new pump flow switches, replaced two safety security cameras. Continue in-service lifeguarding and safety training. Perform daily operation and maintenance practices.

POOL

Mr. Kelly gave an Ice Rink Report, in this extreme heat the Ice-Skating Rink is preparing to chill the floor at the end of this month. Floor temperature should drop from 80 degrees to 18 degrees in about 4 days. The Ice Rink is scheduled to open On September 7, 2022. Anyone interested in winter Employment may obtain an application at the Township building or online. The deadline to submit an application is August 19, 2022.

ICE RINK

Mrs. Sage gave a Social Event report, the Summer Events Schedule raps up in a really big way with the first ever Food Truck Festival on August 17, 2022. There will be various food trucks, Cousins Maine Lobster, Dos Gringos Mexican Fare, Town Hall Provisions, The Munchie Machine, Auntie Annes, Zac's Hamburgers, Carmona mobile foods and Kona Shaved Ice. There will be a band called Le Conte playing from 5:00pm to 10:00pm.

COMMUNITY
EVENTS

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LIBRARY

Mr. Dion gave the monthly Library Report and reported the final program of Summer Quest 2022 will be held Friday, August 12, at 10:00a.m., at the Township Building in Bornman Hall. Caution: There's a little bit of water in this show (for ages 2+). Registration is required. The youth programs will resume for our Fall 1 session on September 6th at 10:00am with Creative Babies. Friday Night Bingo – On Zoom, Friday, September 2 at 7:00p.m. Registration is required. For a complete schedule of activities at the Library check out the website www.springfieldtwplib.org/events or our Facebook page.

GOLF COURSE

Mr. Layden read the Golf Course Report for the month of July, the total rounds were 6,702 bringing the year to date total to 24,232 rounds. The total revenue for the month was \$322,943.00, bringing the year-to-date revenue total to \$1,290,424.00. The seven-year moving average was \$841,613.00 which gives us a positive variance of \$448,811.00. The Golf Shop's total revenue was \$25,541.00 dollars, bringing the shop's year to date total golf sales to \$92,241.00. Repair and service miscellaneous irrigation leaks and electrical failures, vented greens twice with quarter inch solid tines, due to hot dry weather and heat waves time has been spent hand watering dry spots, managing turf diseases and venting greens with quarter inch solid tines as needed. Regular daily maintenance continues.

PARKS

Mr. Kennedy reported the Parks Department has completed the following ongoing work during the past month. The Parks Department has installed a new playground and swing set at Meadowgreen Park, put down a new layer of wood carpet in Jane Lownes Park, completed all Parks Department responsibilities regarding Movie Night and National Night Out, completed park clean-up following recent storm and continuing with weekly cutting and trash removal in all Parks and township owned properties.

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ZONING

Mr. Kennedy reported the Zoning Hearing Board convened a Public Meeting on July 28, 2022. The application of Target Corporation, 857 Baltimore Pike, ZH-22-01, was continued at the applicant's request.

The application of Amar Realty Company, 400 Baltimore Pike, ZH-22-08, was continued at the applicant's request.

ZH-22-07: The Board approved the application of Mark Iverson, Mark of Excellence, LLC, on behalf of Michael R. Phillips, owner, to permit the construction of a 24'x24' detached garage having a height 15' and to permit a portion of the driveway to be 29' in width in the rear yard of the property. The Property is located in the "A" Residence District, and is known as 791 Parker Lane.

There are no hearings scheduled in August. The continued Applications will be heard at the Zoning Hearing Boards September 22, 2022, regularly scheduled meeting.

President Rudolph announced the Fire Company safety Message. As we are quickly approaching the middle of August, and hurricane season is here, August is a month of all types of weather, that can create dangerous conditions. With this kind of weather power outages can occur as well as cable/communication lines being taken down from falling trees. When any type of wires i.e., electrical, cable/communication, etc. are down, please follow these safety tips: contact 911, do not approach the down wires, if a wire is caught in a tree, do not approach, if a wire is down near a fence do not approach as all of the above items can be energized and finally do not drive over a downed wire.

PRESIDENT
RUDOLPH'S
MESSAGE

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BILLS SUBMITTED

Mr. Kelly 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 #1621, Zoning Amendment Change Use

Mr. James Byrne, Solicitor, spoke about the proposed Zoning Amendment change and explained we did have a hearing this evening regarding the Zoning Amendment and now it is up to the Board of Commissioners to make a motion to approve or deny. Mr. Kennedy gave a brief overview of the Proposed Ordinance and explained the old Parks Department is now owned by the School District and Springfield Township now owns Old Central field and this ordinance has to do with amending the Zoning Ordinance/language to say that the Springfield School District maintenance building will be used as a maintenance building as the Springfield Township Parks Department did. Mr. Kennedy read the Proposed Ordinance #1621 and made a motion to approve the Proposed Ordinance as submitted, second by Mr. Layden and carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Memorandum of Understanding

Mrs. Sage explained before reading the motion that this is something the Township is required to do when there is a school in the Township whether there are students present or not we must have this memorandum in place therefore, Mrs. Sage made a motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Springfield Township Police Department and the Pennsylvania Cyber Charter School, located at 825 Baltimore Pike, I so move. Second by Mr. Kelly and carried.

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Mr. Dion made a motion to approve the recommendation of the Planning Commission to approve the Preliminary Land development Plan for Mary E. Waltz, 363 S. Swarthmore Avenue, contingent upon compliance with the Township Engineer's review letter dated July 13, 2022, and any items discussed regarding flooding and stormwater run-off, I so move. Second by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

Mr. Layden stated after good faith negotiations with the Springfield Township Police Department on behalf of the FOP, Mr. Layden made a motion to ratify a five-year contract Commencing January 1, 2023, between Springfield Township and the FOP. Police officers will receive a wage increase of 4% in 2023, 3% in 2024, 3% in 2025, 2.5% in 2026, and 3% in 2027. Second by Mrs. Sage and carried.

Mr. Kelly stated after good faith negotiations an agreement has been reached with Township Employees represented by Teamster's Local Union 107 in which those employees accepted the proposal. Mr. Kelly stated the agreement is the same as the previous one with the exception of a \$1.00 a year increase in the hourly rate for those employees. Mr. Kelly read: an agreement has been reached with Township employees represented by Teamster's Local Union 107 in which those employees accepted the proposal. I move to ratify a five-year agreement between the Township and Teamster's Local Union 107 and authorize execution of the same. I so move. Second by Mr. Dion and carried.

Preliminary Land
Development Plan
Mary E. Waltz,
363 S. Swarthmore Ave.

FOP Contract

Teamsters Contract
Agreement

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APPOINTMENTS

Conservation
Committee

Mr. Lanciano spoke about Mrs. Wood and how she is a true environmentalist and has helped with the environment and worked on the Springfield Trail. Mr. Lanciano made a motion to appoint Kimberly Padley Wood, 1 W. Sproul Rd., to the Conservation Committee for a 3-year term which will expire on 8/9/2025. I so move. Second by Mr. Layden and carried.

RESOLUTION #12-22
Zoning Hearing Board
Appointment

Mr. Layden read Resolution #12-22, and made a motion to approve the appointment of Mr. John Dunfee, 534 Hawarden Road, to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Miele, whose term expires on June 8, 2026, I so move. Second by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. John Tarves, 4 Windsor Circle, inquired about the work being done at the SEPTA property on Brookside Road over the past 6 months and is the project finished?

Mr. Fulton stated it is a combination of the the Saxer Ave, Brookside Grant for streetscaping and SEPTA has agreed to enhance the area by removing some trees and add additional parking. We are waiting for some trees and shrubs to be planted.

Mr. Matthew Johnson, 2 Windsor Circle, Since the trees have been removed he has concerns about speeding and noise levels of traffic coming down the Springfield Road from Rt. 1.

Mr. Layden stated we have been working with State Rep. William Adolph as well as Rep. Jenn O'Mara since I have been a commissioner to try to get PADOT to do something to alleviate the situation but unfortunately it is a State Road and it can be difficult. We have been reaching out to PADOT to have their engineers reconfigure that stretch

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of Road. Mr. Rudolph suggested sending a letter with their concerns to the Township Manager, Commissioner Layden and Senator Kearney and we will reach out to PADOT again to do a study.

Nick Berardi, 6 Windsor Circle, Disappointed with Aesthetics of the SEPTA Brookside Rd. area.

Donna Lafreniere, 4 Windsor Circle, Concerns with speeding, 14 children in the area. No painted walkways.

Steve Stoner, 1 Windsor Circle, streetlight removed, no truck sign that was removed also. Safety concerns with speeding.

Mr. Rudolph thanked everyone for coming out to address their concerns and Commissioner Layden and Mr. Fulton will review everything and see if we can work together to make a plan to rectify some of these issues.

Mr. Rudolph moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Mr. Layden, the meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.

ADJOURNMENT