

JANUARY 10, 2023

REGULAR MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners was called to order by President Rudolph at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 10, 2023, in the Township Building.

ROLL CALL

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

INVOCATION

The Invocation was given by Rev. Matt Tralies, St. Francis of Assisi Church followed by the Pledge of Allegiance by Mr. Lanciano.

CHIEF DALY
COMMENDATIONS

Chief Daly announced two young men, Peter McMonigal and Gabriel Amedio lifeguards on duty, who saved a man's life on Wednesday, December 14, 2022, at 2:30pm, at the Healthplex/Community Y. Chief Daly stated if it were not for their quick, heroic actions, Mr. McBride would not be present speaking here tonight and presented the two lifeguards with commendations. Chief Daly thanked Officer Richard O'Brien, while on duty on Friday, December 30, 2022, at 5:30 p.m., was called to a local hotel for an elderly wheelchair bound male who was homeless and both his legs and feet were covered in bandages from open wounds due to exposure to the elements. Officer O'Brien's concern and compassion for this man made it possible for him to be taken to the hospital where he could get proper medical attention. Chief Daly presented Officer O'Brien with a commendation for his caring compassion, kindness and perseverance in aiding another human being that ended a tragic outcome. Officer O'Brien's actions exemplifies our mission statement and core values of professionalism, respect and integrity in keeping with the highest standards as a police officer.

President Rudolph, Board of Commissioners thanked the two lifeguards and Officer O'Brien for going that extra step, it is a blessing to see people step up and go way beyond.

Thank you for everything you do.

On motion of Mr. Kelly the minutes of December 13, 2022, were approved as submitted. Second by Mrs. Sage and carried.

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

None

President Rudolph called for Reports of Committees.

Mr. Kelly gave the ice rink report and noted the following. The Ice Rink had a very busy Holiday Season, hosting 17 Christmas parties and one Girls Hockey tournament along with Public skating during Christmas week. Counting skating lessons, the rink was open from 6:30am till midnight each day that week. Bob Artese and his staff do an incredible job at the rink. Our next special session will be on Martin Luther King Day from 2:00pm till 3:30pm. For more information, please visit our site at Springfieldicerink.com.

Mr. Kelly gave the monthly report for the golf course. The golf course total rounds were 759 bringing the year to date total to 45, 413 rounds. The total revenue for the month was \$52,771.00 dollars, bringing the end of the year revenue total to \$2,192,439.00 dollars. The Golf Shop total revenue for the month of December was \$3,543 dollars, bringing the year to date total sales to \$153,767.00 dollars. Off season golf rates are in effect, weekdays \$40.00, weekends \$45.00 with a cart included. All other details can be found on our golf website at Springfieldgolf.org or by calling the Golf Shop at 610-543-9860.

MINUTES

PUBLIC COMMENT

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ICE RINK

GOLF COURSE

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COMMUNITY
SOCIAL EVENTS

Mrs. Sage said since it is winter there is not a lot going on, but I have an announcement to make regarding Christmas Trees. The Public Works department will be picking up Christmas Trees on January 11th and 18th, 2023. Please make every effort to put the trees out and please remove any ornaments since dirty trees are not recyclable.

HEALTH

Mr. Dion gave the monthly Health Report for December and reported there were nine restaurant inspections, three retail establishment inspections, with three re-inspections. One sanitation issue and two water emergencies, one broken pipe at Red Lobster and Swiss Farms. There was one dog bite, all dogs three months or older must be licensed by January 1st of each year. A dog license costs \$8.50 per year, while a lifetime license is \$51.50. If the animal is spayed or neutered, the annual fee is \$6.50 and lifetime is \$31.50. Licenses are available from the Delco County Treasurer's office or call the PA Dept of Agriculture's Bureau of Dog Law Enforcement Office at 717-787-3062. It is important to have dogs licensed, it is the law. Violators can be cited \$300 per violation plus court costs. The cost of a license is less than the penalty for being caught without one. With a license Dogs can be found easier if they should get lost and license fees support Animal Control.

LIBRARY

Mr. Dion gave the Library Report for December and Reported the Library will be holding a book sale at the Library, in the lower level, Saturday, February 11th 10 to 4, Sunday, February 12th, 12 to 3 and Monday, February 13th, 9 to 12. Bone Health, Osteoporosis prevention will be presented by Alison Hallman, PT on Wednesday, January 18th at 2:00pm in the Library program room. Youth Special programs coming up: Minions Party!, 6:30 – 7:30pm Monday, January 23, Tuesday, January 24 and Wednesday January 25, crafts, games, stories and more. Best for ages 5 and up. (Please register for only 1 night). Building with Carboard Challenge, Saturday, February 4th, drop by the Library

anytime between 10:00am to 12:00. Registration is required for all the programs both in person and virtual. For a complete list of adult and youth programs, visit our website at www.springfieldtwplib.org or call 610-543-2113.

Mr. Kennedy gave the Parks Report for the month of December and reported the following. Removed declining and dead shrubs from the bottom of the parking lots at Walsh and Crowell Parks. Installed split rail fencing in place of removed Shrubs at Walsh and Crowell Parks. Will landscape behind the fences in the spring. Started winter equipment maintenance. All Parks Department equipment is cleaned and repaired in Preparation for the upcoming spring season. Completed all Parks Department salting responsibilities during the recent ice event. Continue with weekly trash removal in all Parks and Township Owned properties.

PARKS

Mr. Kennedy gave the Building Regulations and Zoning Committee monthly report and stated there were no hearings in December. The Zoning Hearing Board will convene a Public Meeting on January 26, 2023, at 7:30pm at the Township Building, 50 Powell Road, to hear and render a decision of the following zoning hearing applications: ZH-23-01: Application of Terry Duffy, owner seeks dimensional variance from the Zoning Ordinance to construct a 10.5'x 24' carport. Section 143-16.A(8) requires two side yards having an aggregate width of 30 feet and no side yard less than 10 feet in width, Wherein 3 feet and 16.5 feet are proposed. The property is located in the "A" Residence District, as depicted on Zoning Map, and is known as: 724 Haines Lane. At the time and place noted, the applicants and all interested parties may attend and have an opportunity to be heard.

ZONING

Mr. Lanciano recognized the Springfield Ambulance Corp., for their dedication and service to Springfield Township for picking up the homeless man that Officer O'Brien was helping on December 30, 2022, and transported him to Crozier

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PRESIDENT
RUDOLPH'S
MESSAGE

Hospital after Swarthmore refused.

President Rudolph gave the Springfield Fire Company report. Heating basics, have all heating equipment in your home inspected annually by a licensed professional, make sure all gas fueled and wood burning heating devices are vented to the exterior of the building. Consider installing a carbon monoxide alarm in a central location outside of each bedroom if gas fueled or wood burning appliances are used in your home. Fireplace and wood burning stoves, have wood-burning stoves, fireplaces and chimneys inspected and cleaned on a periodic basis. Use properly seasoned wood to reduce creosote build-up in fireplaces and stoves. Protect fireplaces with a sturdy screen to prevent sparks from flying into the room. Allow ashes to cool before removing them from a fireplace or stove. Dispose of ashes in a metal container. Space Heaters, maintain a 36-inch clearance between space heaters and combustible items. Turn off portable space heaters every time you leave the room or go to sleep.

BILLS SUBMITTED

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

UNFINISHED
BUSINESS

Mr. Kennedy stated the Planning Commission made a motion to the Board of Commissioners approval of the Smith Reverse Subdivision Plan, 460-462 Prospect Road, subject to compliance with the Township Engineers letter dated November 29, 2022. I would like to make a motion to approve the Preliminary/Final Land Development plan for 460 & 462 Prospect Road, I so move. Second by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

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Mr. Dion stated the Planning Commission made a motion to the Board of Commissioners approval of the Preliminary/Final Land Development plan for Mary E. Waltz, 363 S. Swarthmore Avenue, contingent upon compliance with the Township Engineers letter dated January 5, 2023. I would like to make a motion to approve the Preliminary/Final Land Development plan for 363 S. Swarthmore Avenue, I so move. Second by Mr. Kelly and carried.

UNFINISHED
BUSINESS CONTD.

Mrs. Sage moved for the adoption of Resolution #1-23 Providing the authority to establish and maintain Investment Accounts for Township funds. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION - #1-23
Bank Deposits

Mr. Lanciano made a motion to reappoint the two alternate towing services, Capital Towing and Bill's Auto for 2023. Seconded by Mrs. Sage and carried.

AUTHORIZE POLICE
TOWING SERVICES

Mr. Kelly moved to authorize the receipt of bids for the State Road Sewer Replacement Contract #22506 until 11:00am, prevailing time, on the 8th day of February, 2023, at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read at Springfield Township, 50 Powell Road, Springfield, PA, 19064. This project includes the installation of approximately 70 LF of sanitary sewer pipe using a jack and bore method underneath State Road U.S. Rt.1. This project is subject to prevailing wage rates in accordance with Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry. Bids must be Submitted unconditionally. No bidder may withdraw bids within SIXTY (60) days after the scheduled closing time for receipt of bids. The owner reserves the right to waive any informalities, or to reject any or all bids, I so move. Second by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

AUTHORIZATION
Receipt of Bids

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PENNDOT COST
SHARING
RESOLUTION

Mr. Dion read the Municipal/Authority Resolution related to the expected bridge replacement on State Road that is going to occur by PENNDOT, I so move. Second by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

Appointment to
PLANNING
COMMISSION

Mr. Kennedy made a motion to appoint Mr. Philip Heness, 200 Welsh Drive to the unexpired term of Mr. Anthony Gagliardi on the Planning Commission which will expire on July 14, 2025. I so move, second by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Rudolph moved to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 8:35pm.

