

JUNE 13, 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, June 13, 2023, in the Township Building.

ROLL CALL

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

INVOCATION

The Invocation was given by Pastor Bob Novak, Life Christian Fellowship Church, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance by Mr. Layden.

PROCLAMATION/  
LOYALTY DAY

President Rudolph and the Board of Commissioners sent good wishes to all of the Graduates from the class of 2023, our hats are off to you all. President Rudolph talked about Loyalty Day and how it was formed in 1959, it is the reaffirmation of Loyalty to the United States. Loyalty Day has evolved and most of it is because of the VFW and the help of Al Evangelista who is in the audience this evening. President Rudolph read the Proclamation for Loyalty Day. Mr. Kelly read the Proclamation for Loyalty Day for the Police Officer of the Year, who was Officer Kevin Oswald, Mr. Layden read the Proclamation for Loyalty Day for the EMS of the year, who was Kruskal Hewitt, Mr. Dion read the proclamation for Loyalty Day for the Firefighters of the year who were Edward Abel, III and Tyler Ressler. The Board thanked them for their outstanding service to our community. Mr. Rudolph read the special proclamation for Mr. Albert Evangelista who without him Loyalty Day would not be what it is. He dedicates so much of his time to making Loyalty Day the special day that it is and makes sure all of the Police, EMT and Fire Department are honored, and we want to recognize him tonight for that and thank him. President Rudolph thanked Mr. Evangelista for his service to our Country and to Springfield Township and stated the Police, EMT and Fire Department are all heroes and he said that when he goes to

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LIFESAVING/  
RECOGNITION  
CERTIFICATES

sleep at night he can put his head on his pillow because he knows they make our job easy if a call comes in, they run, and he thanked and congratulated each and everyone and those that were not present.

Fire Chief Kenneth Felker was present and acknowledged seven Firefighters who were dispatched out on January 14, 2023, to a Springfield resident who was in cardiac arrest and because of their prompt attention and knowledge they performed CPR while the Ambulance Corp got the patient ready for transport. Upon transport to the hospital, firefighters were present and stated the patient was breathing and had pulses.

MINUTES

On motion of Mr. Dion, the minutes of May 9, 2023, were approved as submitted. Second by Mr. Kelly and carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

COMMITTEE  
REPORTS

President Rudolph called for Reports of Committees.

Mr. Kelly stated before giving his reports he congratulated the Springfield High School Boys and Girls Lacrosse teams for making it to the final four, the Boys will be playing on Saturday for the State Championship, so good luck to the boys. The girls are currently playing their game. No matter how things turn out, it is a great achievement.

COMMUNITY  
SOCIAL EVENTS

Mr. Kelly gave an update and thanked the DK Duo and the Springfield School District Jazz bands for their amazing performances in the amphitheater. Summer Events calendar officially kicks off on Wednesday, June 21, 2023, at 6:00pm

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and the Saxer Avenue Merchants are excited to continue this popular event. On June 28<sup>th</sup> in the amphitheater, the Newspaper Taxi's will take the stage. For a complete schedule of events, check Springfield Township's Social Media page.

POOL

Mr. Kelly gave the pool report for the month of May, the membership fees were \$187,950.00, guest fees were \$1,191.00, snack shop sales \$2,293.00 and miscellaneous merchandise was \$102.00 which brings the year-to-date total to \$277,906.00. Pool applications are still available online and at the Springfield Township Building. Pool hours are 10:30am to 8:00p.m., 10:00am to 10:30am daily is lap swimming for adult members. The swim team practices mornings from 8:00am to 10:00am. For more information and a calendar of events, please visit our websites, [springfieldccpool.com](http://springfieldccpool.com) and [springfielddelco.org](http://springfielddelco.org) or call 610-544-6670.

HEALTH

Mr. Dion gave the health report and stated the following: seven restaurants were inspected, nine retail establishments, Springfield Operator, LLC and two reinspection's on food establishments were done. Miscellaneous items were a dog bite subpoena and deposition for a dog bite that occurred in the Township. Animal nuisances, dog barking, dogs running loose, a pool complaint and a noise complaint. As per Springfield Township Code, section 36-4 does not permit dogs to run loose. Dogs are required to be on a leash at all times. A canine that is neither tied nor within a secure enclosure is defined as running at large and is in violation of this ordinance. As a result, the owner can be cited.

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LIBRARY

Mr. Dion gave the Library report for the month of May

and reported the following: Summer Quest 2023, June 20<sup>th</sup>, is Springfield Library's official start of Summer Quest, "All Together Now" is the Theme. For a complete schedule of activities at the Library, go to [www.springfieldtwplib.org](http://www.springfieldtwplib.org) or visit our Face Book page.

Mr. Dion announced that the Delaware County Transportation Management Association will be hosting Travel with Transit Programs throughout Delaware County, for Senior Citizens traveling through the DVRPC options program. The program is designed to help seniors with mobility options availability in Delaware County as well as providing one on one transit option planning. For more information, please call Maryanne Sandone at 484-445-2076 or email [msandone@dictma.org](mailto:msandone@dictma.org). The website is DCTMA.org.

## GOLF COURSE

Mr. Layden gave the Golf Course report and stated the total rounds for the month of May, the total rounds were 5,547, bringing the year-to-date total to 15,472 rounds. The Golf Course total revenue for the month was \$329,588.00 bringing the course year-to-date total to \$843,231.00, the seven-year moving average for this time of year is \$460,838.00, giving us a positive variance of \$382,393.00. The Golf Shop total revenue for the month of May was \$25,505.00 and the year-to-date total was \$67,541.00. Continuing to repair and service miscellaneous irrigation leaks and electrical failures, all parking lot islands, flower beds and urns have been cleaned out, replanted and mulched. All course sand traps have been weeded and edged, the fertigation system has been serviced and put into use. Due to the extremely dry, low humidity and lack of rain fall, much of the time has been spent hand watering dry spots, managing turf diseases and venting greens with quarter inch solid tines, regular daily maintenance of the golf course continues. Daily Course updates and more information can be found on our website at, [springfieldgolf.org](http://springfieldgolf.org) and or on our Facebook page, Springfield Country Club Golf or call the golf shop at 610-543-9860.

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PRESIDENT  
RUDOLPH'S

MESSAGE  
PEDESTRIAN  
SAFETY COMMITTEE  
REPORT

The Pedestrian Safety Committee has met several times and talked about a lot of things and presently the school is in the process of creating some small YouTube clips and we hope to hit the ground running hard come this fall when the kids are back in school.

President Rudolph stated at the eighth-grade graduation, last evening, they always give the President's Education award for outstanding academic achievement, which was given to my grandson Thomas McKenna. I am very proud of my grandson but more importantly we honor sports teams, musical achievements and sometimes we don't always honor the educational side of why everyone goes to school. Congratulations to him and all the other academic students.

BILLS SUBMITTED

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

UNFINISHED  
BUSINESS

None

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NEW BUSINESS

Proposed Ordinance  
#1628-Chapter 45  
Fire Inspection Fees

Mr. Dion read Proposed Ordinance #1628 – Chapter 45 Fire Inspection Fees and made a motion to approve the proposed ordinance relating to Commercial Properties and Fire Inspection Fees, second by Mr. Kelly and carried.

Resolution 10-2023  
Emergency Services  
Account for Township  
Funds

Mr. Layden read Resolution 10-2023, establishing a Emergency Services Account for Township Funds collected from the Fire Co. Inspections, Fire Marshall Inspections, Emergency Management and Emergency Medical Services second by Mr. Dion and carried.

Vacancies/  
Appointments

Zoning Hearing  
Board

Mr. Kelly read Resolution #9-2023 appointing Matthew Mingey, 819 Rhoads Drive, to a 5-year term as an alternate member on the Zoning Hearing Board. This term will expire on June 13, 2028, I so move. Second by Mr. Layden and carried.

Probationary Police  
Officer position

Mr. Dion made a motion to appoint to the position of Probationary Police Officer effective, Monday, June 19, 2023, Jonathan E. Sweeney, I so move, second by Mr. Kelly and carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNMENT

President Rudolph entertained a motion to adjourn, Mr. Layden second, the meeting adjourned at 8:55pm.