REGULAR MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners was called to order by Vice President Layden at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 10, 2024, in the Township Building.

ROLL CALL

The following Commissioners were present: Mrs. Sage, Mrs. Cortese. Messrs. Layden, Kelly, Kennedy, and Dion. Also, present were Messrs. Lucas, Township Manager and Byrne, Township Solicitor. Absent was President Rudolph.

INVOCATION

The Invocation was given by Rev. Robert Ladonne, The Blue Church, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance by Mr. Kennedy.

MINUTES

On motion of Mr. Sage, the minutes of August 13, 2024, were approved as presented. Second by Mr. Dion and carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Vice President Layden called for Reports of Committees.

BUILDING & ZONING

Mr. Kelly stated the Zoning Hearing Board did not meet in August. The Zoning Hearing Board will convene a public Meeting on September 26, 2024, at 7:30p.m. at the Township Building, 50 Powell Road, to hear and render decisions on the following decisions: ZH-24-07: Application of Sam's House, LLC., Dr. Timothy Mann, owner is seeking a variance from 143-55.A(8) of the Zoning Ordinance for the Construction of a driveway. The property is located in the "E" Business and TND-3 Overlay Districts and is known as 723 LeHann Circle,

aka 450 Baltimore Pike.

ZH-24-08: The Application of Mr. & Mrs. Timothy J. O'Brien, owners are seeking the following special exception and variance from the Zoning Ordinance to permit the construction of a 24' X 24' detached garage without a driveway in the rear yard of the property. Requires all parking spaces be accessible by a driveway, wherein a driveway is not proposed. The property is located in the "B" Residence District and is known as 437 Prospect Road. ZH-24-09: The Application of VMDT Partnership, owner/applicant, by their attorney, is seeking numerous special exceptions and variances pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance to permit structures, vehicular parking, as well as construct a dealership use carwash. The property is located in the "E" Business, "B" Residence and TND Overlay Districts, as depicted on the Zoning Map and is known as: 780 & 794 Baltimore Pike, and 0 E. Woodland Avenue, Piazza Honda. At the time and place noted, the applicants and all interested parties may attend and have an opportunity to be heard.

SOCIAL EVENTS

Mr. Kelly stated the Summer Events series came to a close with the Food Truck event which was a huge success. The Social Events continue with Springfield Family Fun Day aka Springfield Rocks, Sunday, October 6, from 11:00am to 3:00pm, this event is the biggest event of the season.
Run For Heroes, will be held Sunday, October 13th, 2024, at 9:00am, which benefits the Hero Scholarship Fund. Come out and enjoy both events with family and friends.

PARKS

Mrs. Sage read the Parks monthly report for the month of August and indicated the following, removed Christmas Tree at Old Central School and prepared area for the new tree. Replaced all basketball nets in Parks with courts, completed all Parks Department responsibilities with the preparation and clean-up of the Townships Food Truck event. Installed new seat spinners and balance beam at the playground at Crowell Park. Put new wood carpet at playgrounds at Crowell &

Wildwood Park. Trimmed trees around the playground at Wildwood Park; and continuing with weekly maintenance in all parks and township owned properties.

PEDESTRIAN SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT

Mrs. Sage asked if anyone is interested in becoming a crossing guard, the Springfield Police Department is accepting applications. Please visit the employment opportunities page of the Springfield Township website at www.springfielddeco.org.

HEALTH

Mr. Dion gave the health report and stated for the month of August, there were eight restaurants inspected, seven retail establishments inspected and two re-inspections. There were two dog bites for the month. There were some miscellaneous complaints, regarding dogs and cats. There were two positive test results for Mosquitoes. The PA Department of Environmental Protection is responsible for the surveillance and control of mosquitoes in DelCo. If adult mosquitoe control becomes necessary i.e.: spraying, the PADEP will provide Springfield with the needed information. The final Household Hazardous Waste Collection is scheduled for Saturday, October 12th at the Upper Chichester Township Building, 8500 Furey Road, Upper Chichester, PA 19061. Pre-registration is required, call 610-892-9627 or go to https://delcohhwevents.eventbrite.com.

PUBLIC WORKS

Mr. Kennedy gave the Public Works Report for the month of August and indicated the following: there were two vehicle accidents, no damage to any of the township vehicles, and two minor work-related injuries. One employee returned to work on light duty, and one was out on workman's comp. for three weeks. There was one sewer emergency during the month, none of which occurred after hours and required

overtime hours. Our final yard waste collection for 2024 will be on September 18th, residents should call and schedule with the Public Works Department. Due to the upcoming Columbus Day Holiday on Monday, October 14th, trash and recycling will not be collected. Please do not place any items curbside until your next regularly scheduled day.

COUNTRY CLUB POOL

Mrs. Cortese read the pool report for the month of August and indicated the year-to-date membership total was 1,853, which is fantastic. The pool was opened all 31 days in August, closed early due to weather three days and opened late 3 days due to school starting. The total revenue for the month of August was $22,098.00 dollars, bringing the year-to-date pool revenue total to $524,000.00. She thanked the entire staff, lifeguards, snack stand employees, Management, etc., for a very successful season at the pool.

LIBRARY REPORT

Mrs. Cortese read the Library report for the month of August and indicated the following: the Library will be hosting Grandparent Story Time, Saturday, September 14, 2024, at 10:00am. Bring your Grandparent to our special story time. Stem Open House will be Wednesday, September 25th, at 6:00p.m. Stop by and play with our STEM toys. The Friends of Springfield Library's fall book sale will be held at the Library on October 19th, 20, and 21st. For more detailed information and to register for any programs, a complete schedule of Library Activities can be found at www.springfieldtwplib.org/events.

ICE RINK REPORT

The Springfield Ice Rink opened for the season on September 5, 2024, for hockey lessons and parties. Public Skating begins October 11th. Since the opening, we have been overrun with Hockey and Skating lessons along with two large Birthday Parties. To Rent ice or book a party go to Springfieldicerink.com



GOLF COURSE

Mr. Layden gave the Golf Course Report for the month

of August and indicated the following: the total rounds were 5,075 bringing the year-to-date total to 29,383 rounds. The Golf Course total revenue for the month was $327,642.00 dollars bringing the course year-to-date revenue total to $1,864,483.00. The golf shop revenue was $24,596.00 bringing the year-to-date total to $138,954.00. The course was open 29 out of 31 days of the month. Due to extreme heat, most of August was spent hand watering dry spots, managing turf disease, completed turfgrass renovations and aerification of greens, tee's and fairways. All Country Club storm damage was taken care of and regular daily maintenance continues.

BILLS SUBMITTED

Mr. Dion made a motion to approve the bills as reviewed and approved by the department heads, second by Mrs. Cortese and carried.

UNFINISHED BUSNESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Kelly read the 2025 Minimum Municipal Obligation for Springfield Township for the Police and Non-Uniformed Pension Plans. The Police Pension Plan has been budgeted $1,440,032.00. The Non-Uniformed Pension Plan has been budgeted at $751,641.00 and the Defined Contribution plan has been budgeted for $216,000.00. Mr. Kelly made a motion to approve the 2025 Minimum Municipal Obligation, second by Mrs. Sage and carried.

SOLICITOR
James J. Byrne, Esq.

Mr. Byrne talked about the Springfield Code and Ordinances and how they have to be kept up to date with what the changes are. We have two items on our Agendat that



have to be taken care of. The first item is the amendment to our Zoning Ordinance which requires a legal ad for a hearing

to be advertised for October 8, 2024, at 7:30p.m., Mr. Byrne asked for a motion:

Mr. Kennedy made a motion to set a hearing on October 8, 2024, for the Zoning Ordinance amendment I so move, second by Mrs. Cortese and carried.

Mr. Byrne stated the second item are updates to the Springfield Township Code and regulations, i.e. Building Codes, UCC Code, etc. that change over the years and we need to bring those codes/ordinances up to date. We need to advertise for amendments to the Springfield Code and Regulations. Mr. Byrne asked for a motion:

Mr. Dion made a motion for Amendments to the Springfield Code and Regulations as per Solicitor James J. Byrne, Esq., second by Mrs. Sage and carried.

APPOINTMENT

Mrs. Cortese made a motion to reappoint Mr. Matthew Mingey, 819 Rhoads Drive, to the Civil Service Commission for a six-year term which will expire on September 10, 2030, second by Mr. Kennedy and carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNMENT

Vice President Layden, entertained a motion to adjourn, second by Mr. Kennedy and carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:20p.m.