

PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP EMERGENCY SERVICES BOARD

Minutes of January 16, 2020

The Plymouth Township Emergency Services Board held its meeting in the Township Municipal Building. Board members and others present were:

Mike Matusheski	Fire Marshal/Emergency Management Coordinator
Michael McGuigan	President, Harmonville Fire Company and Chairman
Lt. Brian Wagner	Plymouth Police Department
John Hoffman	Chief, Harmonville Fire Company
Kevin Lawrence	Safety Officer Harmonville Fire Company
Mitch Kijak	Chief, Plymouth Fire Company
Kevin Bowe	President/EVB Towing Company
Karen Weiss	Recording Secretary
Karen Bramblett	Plymouth Township Council

1) Pledge of Allegiance - The meeting began at 7:00 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2) Public Comment- There was no public comment pertaining to any of the items advertised on the agenda.

3) Reorganization- Mr. McGuigan asked for nominations for Chairman. Mr. Matusheski nominated Michael McGuigan for Chairman. The motion was seconded by Ms. Weiss. Mr. McGuigan asked if there were additional nominations and there were none. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. McGuigan asked for nominations for Vice Chairman. Mr. Matusheski nominated Adam Heffelfinger for Vice Chairman. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bowe. Mr. McGuigan asked if there were additional nominations and there were none. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. McGuigan asked for nominations for Recording Secretary. Mike Matusheski nominated Karen Weiss for Recording Secretary. The motion was seconded by Ms. Bramblett. Mr. Matusheski nominated Karen Weiss as Recording Secretary. Mr. McGuigan asked if there were additional nominations and there were none. The motion passed unanimously.

4) Approval of Minutes- November 21, 2019- The November 21, 2019 minutes were unanimously approved, motion was made by Chief Hoffman and was seconded by Lt. Wagner.

5) New Business-

a. Emergency Operations Plan- Mr. Matusheski stated there were no changes to this plan. However, the addendum will change, but does not need approval.

b. Apparatus Liens Update- Title to Township-

1. Plymouth Fire Company- Ms. Weiss stated Mr. Heffelfinger sent the titles to the tag company and were then sent to Harrisburg. Ms. Weiss stated they have received all of the titles at the Township. However, Mr. Heffelfinger stated there were a couple titles with VIN number problems, therefore they will have to be reissued.

c. Construction Update-

Active Projects

1. 215 Plymouth Road (Arbour Square) - New 4 story, 210 unit mixed use facility (primarily I-1 and I-2, with A-1, A-2, B, and M). The proposed facility is to be constructed with non-combustible, fire-rated floor construction (fire-retardant treated roof construction), and protected with a full coverage NFPA 13 fire sprinkler system and standpipes. The structure is to be divided into two (2) "buildings" by a 3 HR fire wall, and both buildings further compartmented with "smoke compartments" to provide for occupant relocation (shelter in-place) in lieu of evacuation, as appropriate. Site work and building superstructure construction is progressing (est. 75% complete), and completion is expected in 2020.

2. Plymouhtowne Apartments Expansion- Seven (7) new two story apartment buildings with ten (10) units per building and a one story, 1400 SF leasing office are proposed along Fairfield Road. The light-framed (combustible) apartment buildings will be protected with NFPA 13R sprinkler systems. Six (6) apartment buildings and the Leasing Office are complete.

3. Plymouth Valley Estates- This 79 single family home subdivision is bounded by Plymouth Road, Johnson Road, North Gravers Road and Plymouth Ridge Office Park. The wood-framed dwellings will **not** be protected with fire sprinklers. Project construction is underway on five (5) building lots.

4. 1230 East Ridge Pike- Carfagno Chevrolet (Fire reconstruction) Demolition and reconstruction of approximately 3500 SF of one story automobile repair area within an existing one and two story (29,000 SF total) automobile sales and service dealership. Construction is nearing completion. The building has been retrofitted with an automatic fire sprinkler system.

5. 716 Belvoir Road (Colonial Middle School) - 3 Story, 232,000 SF School Building. Construction of a new middle school on the same lot as the existing building.

The existing building will be demolished upon completion of the new facility. The entire building will be protected with an automatic fire sprinkler system as well as standpipes on the stage and in stair towers. Partial footing and foundation permits have been issued, and construction is underway.

6. 500 Germantown Pike, lower level- Restore Cryotherapy and Hyperwellness). Tenant fit-out for specialized ambulatory outpatient treatment, including the use of liquid nitrogen.

Upcoming Projects

1. 1113 Ridge Pike (Bimbo Bakeries) - 71,000 SF Distribution Facility. Subdivision and land development for a new distribution facility on the current Bimbo Bakeries site. The facility will take access from Academy Drive. Building plans are under review.

2. 100 Lee Drive (SAFStor Self Storage Facility) - 3 Story, 105,000 SF Self-storage Building Construction of a new three story, 800 unit self-storage facility on a vacant 6 acre tract on the south side of Lee Drive. The indicated total floor area is approximately 105,000 SF, and the overall building height is indicated to be 42 FT. The project is currently in Land Development review.

Mr. Matusheski stated Restore Cryotherapy at 500 Germantown Pike, does include the use of liquid nitrogen. He is currently reviewing the codes for safety precautions.

Ms. Weiss also indicated that Montgomery Chemicals on Conshohocken Road stopped operations and will be closing. Mr. Matusheski stated even though Montgomery Chemicals is not operating, there currently are dangerous materials on the property. Lt. Wagner asked what the time frame is. Mr. Matusheski stated he is not aware, but they are still responsible to notify the Township regarding safety precautions.

a. Police Department Update- None

b. Harmonville Fire Company Update- Chief Hoffman said that a member was laid to rest last week. There are two new full-time firefighters, Amanda Hoade and Ian McCormick. Their hours will be 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Chief Hoffman stated they replaced their rescue truck and the new truck is now in service. Also, they received a SAFOR grant and are working on alterations for bunkrooms for more staffing.

c. Plymouth Fire Company Update- Chief Kijak stated they are planning a housing for their new squirt vehicle in the late spring or early summer. Also, they were awarded the AFG grant for a vehicle exhaust system.

Chief Kijak stated construction will begin in the spring. Plymouth Fire Company went on 562 calls in 2019.

d. Plymouth Ambulance Update- None

e. Miscellaneous- Mr. Matusheski stated the updated list of vacant and dangerous buildings in the Township has been issued. Ms. Weiss asked if 3030 Warrior Road was on the list. Mr. Matusheski stated he did not know the status of that. Mr. Matusheski also stated insurance cards were given to the fire companies for all vehicles. Mr. Matusheski stated the Fire Marshal's office will be hiring a full-time and part-time fire inspector.

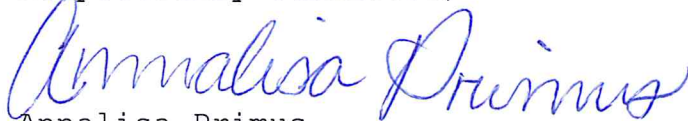
6) Old Business- None

7) Next Meeting - March 19, 2020- The next meeting of the board will take place on March 19, 2020.

8) Audience Participation- None

9) Adjournment - There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Annalisa Primus
Recording Secretary