

PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP

REGULAR MEETING

July 9, 2012

Plymouth Township Council held its Regular Meeting at the Plymouth Township Building. The following officials were in attendance:

Council: Sheldon Simpson ----- Chairman
Lenore Bruno ----- Vice-Chairman
Dean Eisenberger
Vince Gillen
Maria Weidinger

Staff: Karen Weiss ----- Manager
Tom Speers ----- Solicitor
Lonnie Manai ----- Woodrow Associates
Tim Creelman ----- Finance Director
Joe Lawrence ----- Chief of Police
Barry Elson ----- Labor Attorney

Pledge of Allegiance - The Regular Meeting was called to order by Mr. Simpson at 7:00 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment

Mr. Simpson asked if there was any public comment pertaining to any of the items advertised on the agenda and there was none.

ANNOUNCEMENT - Executive Session held June 11, 2012
Executive Session held July 2, 2012

Mr. Simpson announced that Executive Sessions were held on June 11, 2012 and July 2, 2012 in order to discuss litigation and personnel matters.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Chairman Simpson called for the approval of the minutes.

- a. Workshop Meeting June 4, 2012
- b. Regular Meeting June 11, 2012

Mr. Gillen made a motion to approve the minutes without the necessity of reading and was seconded by Ms. Bruno. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberber, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Simpson and Ms. Weidinger in favor.

APPROVAL OF DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS AND BILLS: Chairman Simpson called for the approval of the departmental reports and bills.

Mr. Gillen made a motion to approve the reports and bills and was seconded by Ms. Weidinger. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Simpson and Ms. Weidinger in favor.

ADMINISTRATION

a. Tax Settlement - Mr. Speers reported that G.L. Sayre Company was audited in April, 2012 for Business Privilege Taxes. In a five year period there was a discrepancy and the Township sent a notice of assessment in the amount of \$7,110.00. This represents \$5,492. in taxes, \$549.00 in penalties and \$1,069 in interest. G.L. Sayre Company has filed an appeal and has paid the principal amount of the tax and half the interest. They have requested that the Township accept the settlement. Mr. Eisenberger made a motion to approve the tax settlement and was seconded by Ms. Weidinger. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Simpson and Ms. Weidinger in favor.

POLICE/PUBLIC SAFETY

a. Stop Sign Ordinance - Knoll & Azalea - ACTION - Mr. Speers read an ordinance authorizing an amendment to Section 13-26. Stop Intersections Designated of the Code of Ordinances, to designate a stop intersection southbound on Azalea Terrace at Knoll Road. Mr. Gillen made a motion to approve the ordinance and was seconded by Ms. Bruno. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Simpson and Ms. Weidinger in favor.

b. Stop Sign Ordinance - Sierra & Black Hill - ACTION - Mr. Speers read an ordinance authorizing an amendment to Section 13-26. Stop Intersections Designated of the Code of Ordinances, to designate a stop intersection northbound and southbound on Sierra Road at the intersection of Sierra Road and Black Hill Road. Ms. Bruno made a motion to approve the ordinance and was seconded by Mr. Eisenberger. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0

with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Simpson and Ms. Weidinger in favor.

c. Stop Sign Ordinance - Beacon Hill & Plymouth Rock - ACTION -
Mr. Speers read an ordinance authorizing an amendment to Section 13-26. Stop Intersections Designated of the Code of Ordinances, to designate a stop intersection westbound on Beacon Hill Lane at Plymouth Rock Road. Mr. Gillen made a motion to approve the ordinance and was seconded by Ms. Weidinger. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Simpson and Ms. Weidinger in favor.

PUBLIC WORKS/SEWER

a. Mosquito Control Announcement - Mr. Gillen announced that the Township is conducting the mosquito spraying program again this year and then read the areas to be treated. If additional information is needed, residents can contact Mike Estock at 610-277-4100, extension 4229.

ENGINEERING

SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT

a. L.D. 11-3 Plymouhtowne Apts/Fairfield & Sandy Hill Roads

1. Expiration date October 9, 2012

b. Escrow Release - ACTION

1310 Wood Street - Final - Mr. Speers read the resolution whereas the owner/developer has requested a release of the financial security under the improvement agreement, as amended under and subject to the conditions read. Ms. Weidinger made a motion to approve the resolution and was seconded by Mr. Gillen. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Simpson and Ms. Weidinger in favor.

c. Waiver of Land Development - ACTION

1. Plymouth Meeting Park - Lot 9 - This item was not ready for action this evening and was stricken from the agenda.

CODE ENFORCEMENT/HEALTH

ZONING

a. Zoning Hearings - Mr. Gillen announced that the Zoning Hearing Board of Plymouth Township will hold a public hearing on Monday, July 16, 2012, commencing at 7:00 p.m., in the Plymouth Township Building on the following applications: 1) GARY BERKMAN, AND 2) WM. PETER R. CROSS. Any citizen of Plymouth Township or interested person may attend the public hearing and have an opportunity to be heard.

PARKS AND RECREATION

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

a. Fairfield Road./Lucetta St./Diamond Ave. take-over - Mr. Speers read the resolution in order for PADOT to take over portions of Fairfield Road and Diamond Avenue and for Plymouth Township to take over a portion of Lucetta Street from the Department of Transportation. Ms. Bruno made a motion to approve the resolution and was seconded by Mr. Gillen. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Simpson and Ms. Weidinger in favor.

MISCELLANEOUS/OLD BUSINESS

a. Citizen Board Vacancy - Ms. Weiss reported that there is currently an opening on the Building Code Appeals Board. The applicant must have a background in plumbing.

Council recessed at 7:25 p.m. and resumed the regular meeting at 8:15 p.m.

b. Accept Arbitration Award - After consultation with the Township's Labor Attorney about the Police contract, the instruction from the Labor Counsel is that Council should entertain a motion to receive the contract and to implement the first year's terms of the contract. Mr. Eisenberger made such a motion and he was seconded by Mr. Gillen. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Simpson and Ms. Weidinger in favor.

c. Fitness Center Expansion Update - Ms. Weiss mentioned that the new flooring is in for the fitness center expansion and staff will begin the installation this week.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Regular Meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Recording Secretary