

PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP

REGULAR MEETING

November 11, 2013

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	
Staff:	Karen Weiss -----	Manager
	Tom Speers -----	Solicitor
	Tim Woodrow -----	Woodrow & Associates
	Lonnie Manai -----	Woodrow & Associates
	Tim Creelman -----	Finance Director
	Chris Loschiavo -----	Public Works Director
	Joe Lawrence -----	Police Chief
	John Myrsiades -----	Deputy Police Chief
	Karen Franck -----	Parks & Recreation Dir.

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

Mr. Simpson extended a special thank you to all of those who have served our county in the military, following a moment of silence.

Swearing in of New Police Officer Jennifer Lynn Wittenberger - Chief Lawrence also thanked those who served our country on this Veterans Day. Chief Lawrence introduced Jenninifer Lynn Wittenberger, who is being appointed as a new Police Officer for Plymouth Township. The Honorable Judge Bernhardt presided over the swearing in of Ms. Wittenberger. Mr. Eisenberger made a motion to approve the appointment and was seconded by Ms. Bruno. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Gillen and Mr. Simpson in favor. Ms. Weidinger was absent.

Recognition - Go Green Award - IKEA - Mr. Eisenberger read the

resolution for the 2013 Go Green Award being presented to IKEA. The award is given to an individual or organization in Plymouth Township that shows a personal commitment to protecting the environment. Mr. Eisenberger made a motion to approve the resolution and was seconded by Ms. Bruno. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Gillen and Mr. Simpson in favor. Ms. Weidinger was absent.

"Get Involved Certificates" - Mr. Simpson stated that these "Get Involved Certificates" are being given by the Park and Recreation Department to those individuals or companies who have partnered with the Township in various ways. Mr. Simpson read the names and presented the certificates. The names of those receiving the certificates who were not present this evening, were also read.

Hearing and Meeting - Flag Lot Ordinance - Immediately following Regular Meeting but no before 7:30 p.m.

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 November 6, 2013

Mr. Simpson announced that an Executive Session was held on November 6, 2013 in order to discuss litigation and personnel matters.

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

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| a. | Workshop Meeting | October 7, 2013 |
| b. | Regular Meeting | October 14, 2013 |
| c. | Budget Meeting | October 21, 2013 |
| d. | Budget Meeting | October 28, 2013 |

Ms. Bruno made a motion to approve the minutes without the necessity of reading. The motion was seconded by Mr. Eisenberger; a roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Gillen and Mr. Simpson in favor. Ms. Weidinger was absent.

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

Mr. Eisenberger made a motion to approve the departmental reports and bills. The motion was seconded by Ms. Bruno; a roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberger, Mr.

Gillen and Mr. Simpson in favor. Ms. Weidinger was absent.

ADMINISTRATION

a.2014 Budget Meeting - November 18th - 7:00 p.m. - Ms. Bruno announced that a budget meeting will be held on Monday, November 18th at 7:00 p.m. in the engineering conference room.

b.Tax Settlements - Mr. Gillen made a motion to approve the tax settlement between the Township and RB Associates, an apartment complex located at 106 North Lane. The motion was seconded by Ms. Bruno; a roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Gillen and Mr. Simpson in favor. Ms. Weidinger was absent.

Mr. Eisenberger made a motion to approve the tax settlement between the Township and IKEA which is located on Alan Wood Road. The motion was seconded by Ms. Bruno; a roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Gillen and Mr. Simpson in favor. Ms. Weidinger was absent.

POLICE/PUBLIC SAFETY

PUBLIC WORKS/SEWER

a.Snow Announcement - Mr. Gillen reminded residents that the Township Snow Policy is in effect and then read the official policy.

b.WSA Resolution - Ms. Bruno made a motion to approve the non-binding resolution stating that the Township is willing to continue its participation in the Waste System Authority. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gillen; a roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Gillen and Mr. Simpson were in favor. Ms. Weidinger was absent.

ENGINEERING

a.Sheffield Drive Drainage - This item will be discussed at the December Council meeting and was stricken from the agenda.

SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT

a.S.D. 13-2 Conshohocken Land Dev.LLC/1332 Colwell Lane

1.Extension granted to April 8, 2014 - ACTION - Mr. Eisenberger made a motion to approve the extension and was seconded by Ms. Bruno. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Gillen and Mr. Simpson in favor. Ms. Weidinger was absent.

b.L.D. 13-4 Danella Co./725 Conshohocken Road Lot 2

1.Extension granted to February 16, 2014 - ACTION - Mr. Eisenberger made a motion to approve the extension and was seconded by Ms. Bruno. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Gillen and Mr. Simpson in favor. Ms. Weidinger was absent.

c.L.D. 13-5 660 W. Germantown Pike

1.Expiration date December 19, 2013

d.L.D. 13-6 DRKZ Assoc., LP/1000 Conshohocken Road

1.Expiration date January 9, 2014

e.S.D. 13-4 Marchese/751 Belvoir Road

1.Expiration date January 13, 2014

f.Escrow Request - ACTION

1.Plymouth Meeting Park - Mr. Eisenberger stated that the Township is in receipt of correspondence from Woodrow & Associates recommending the completion of work in the amount of \$176,220.90 for Plymouth Meeting Park which leaves a balance of \$83,487.09. Mr. Eisenberger made a motion to approve the escrow release and the motion was seconded by Ms. Bruno. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Gillen and Mr. Simpson in favor. Ms. Weidinger was absent.

g.Waiver Request - ACTION

1.Plymouth Meeting Park - Lot 6 - Landscaping - This item was not ready for action tonight.

h.Extension Request - ACTION

1.101 North Lane - Ms. Bruno made a motion to grant the extension request and was seconded by Mr. Eisenberger. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Gillen and Mr. Simpson in favor. Ms. Weidinger was absent.

i.Conicelli Resolution - This item was not ready for action this evening and will be handled at the Council meeting on November 18th.

CODE ENFORCEMENT/HEALTH

ZONING

a.Zoning Hearings - Ms. Bruno announced that the Zoning Hearing Board of Plymouth Township will hold a public hearing on Monday, November 18, 2013 commencing at 7:00 p.m., in the Plymouth Township Building on the following applications: 1)RICHARD L. SCHEIDHAUER, 2) PREIT/UNCLE JULIO'S FINE MEXICAN FOOD, AND 3) GPX PLYMOUTH OFFICE PROPERTIES, L.P. Any citizen of Plymouth Township or interested person may attend the public hearing and have an opportunity to be heard.

The application for Storehouse Furniture has been postponed. The applicant will attend the Council meeting in December in order to discuss their request.

PARKS AND RECREATION

a.Harriet Wetherill Park

1) Conservation and Management Plan and 2) Natural Lands Management and Stewardship Plan - Ms. Bruno stated that these plans have been prepared in order to proceed with work at the Harriet Wetherill Park. The Township can now move forward in applying for grants. Ms. Bruno made a motion to approve the plans and was seconded by Mr. Eisenberger. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Gillen and Mr. Simpson in favor. Ms. Weidinger was absent.

3) DCNR Resolution - Mr. Eisenberger read the DCNR resolution pertaining to the above plans for Harriet Wetherill Park. These plans were completed in accordance with the grant agreement. All project expenditures were made in accordance with the grant agreement. The plan and related materials were acceptable to Plymouth Township. The plan and related materials will be used to guide future recreation and conservation decisions. Mr. Eisenberger made a motion to approve the resolution and was seconded by Ms. Bruno. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Gillen and Mr. Simpson in favor. Ms. Weidinger was absent.

c."Get Involved" Certificates - This item was handled earlier in the meeting.

d.13th Annual GPCC Family Health Fair - Mr. Gillen announced that the 13th Annual GPCC Family Health Fair in partnership with Einstein Medical Center Montgomery will be held on Saturday November 16, 2013 from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. There will be free health screenings, free expert health information,

traditional & alternative, ask the physician or therapist, information booths, fitness and nutrition information, free chair massages, raffles & refreshments, and kids can bring their teddy bears for a checkup. All are welcome to attend.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

MISCELLANEOUS/OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Simpson thanked Council and staff for their support and assistance in helping to make the Service and Devotion Monument Dedication a huge success.

Ms. Bruno thanked Mr. Simpson, Ms. Franck and the committee for their foresight in putting the Service and Devotion Monument Project together.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Josh Leoni and Erin Camp, 1328 Hillcrest Road thanked Council for their service and asked if they would consider installing lights in Colwell Park. There have been numerous issues of vandalism, loitering, possible drug activity, and smashed lights. Mr. Simpson stated that staff will pass this request to Rick Carbo, the Building and Grounds Director to investigate.

Tina Lavelle, 7 Hilltop Road asked Council to consider establishing safe locations for skateboarding where youngsters can go and be safe. Ms. Lavelle stated that Council gives its support to other youth groups and she would like to see a dedicated area established. She suggested starting a parent and youth group with the Township to explore possible options. Other Townships have skateboarding areas.

Mr. Simpson recommended that Ms. Lavelle further research what areas may be available in the Township and how other Township's handle this and then make a presentation to Council and send the information to Ms. Weiss.

Mr. Eisenberger suggested that staff check on liability issues and what other Township's do.

Joe Connor, 345 Brighton Road asked a question on how the Township handles zoning complaints and whether anonymous complaints are accepted. Ms. Weiss stated that they were

accepted. Mr. Connor believes that there was a situation that was not handled correctly by the Township Code Enforcement Department. Ms. Weiss will look into this.

There being no further business, the Regular Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

The Regular Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m. whereupon a Hearing and Meeting was convened pertaining to a Flag Lot Ordinance. Mr. Eisenberger made a motion to approve the ordinance and was seconded by Ms. Bruno. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 3-1 with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberger and Mr. Simpson in favor. Mr. Gillen was opposed and Ms. Weidinger was absent.

The Hearing and Meeting were adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Beth Jamison
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Recording Secretary