

PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP

REGULAR MEETING

February 11, 2013

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

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**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  
Chris Loschiavo ----- Public Works Director  
Jack Hoffman ----- Code Enforcement Director  
Joe Lawrence ----- Police Chief

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**Pledge of Allegiance** - Mr. Simpson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Presentation**

**TOPS Soccer** - Joe Hunter spoke on behalf of the TOPS Soccer organization and thanked Council for the Township's donation of \$1,250 to the program for special athletes.

**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 February 4, 2013**

Mr. Simpson stated that an Executive Session was held on February 4, 2013 in order to discuss litigation and personnel matters.

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

- a. Reorganization Meeting            January 7, 2013
- b. Workshop Meeting                 January 7, 2013
- c. Regular Meeting                    January 14, 2013

Ms. Weidinger made a motion to approve the minutes without the necessity of reading. The motion 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.

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

Ms. Weidinger made a motion to approve the departmental reports and bills. The motion 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.

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**ADMINISTRATION**

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**POLICE/PUBLIC SAFETY**

**a. Motorcycles Purchase Request** - Mr. Eisenberger made a motion to approve the request from Chief Lawrence for the purchase of a motorcycle from Harley Davidson Motorcycle at a cost not to exceed \$18,000. The cost of the motorcycle with the trade in is anticipated to be less than \$10,000. The motion 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. Hurricane Sandy FEMA Resolution** - Ms. Weidinger read the resolution authorizing Karen Weiss, Township Manager on behalf of Plymouth Township to execute the required forms and documents necessary to obtain financial assistance from FEMA and or PEMA for reimbursement of eligible expenses incurred during Hurricane Sandy. Ms. Weidinger made a motion to approve the resolution 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.

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## PUBLIC WORKS/SEWER

### a. Lafayette Street Project

1) **Basin Agreement** - Mr. Speers read the resolution for the Basin Maintenance Agreement in order for Plymouth Township to accept dedication of the basin as part of the Lafayette Street Project. Ms. Bruno made a motion to approve the resolution 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.

2) **Lighting Agreement** - Mr. Speers read the resolution for the Lighting Agreement in order for Plymouth Township to accept the Street Lighting Agreement as part of the Lafayette Street Project. Mr. Eisenberger made a motion to approve the agreement 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.

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## ENGINEERING

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### SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT

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

1. Expiration date April 9, 2013

#### b.L.D. 12-2 ENOAP, LLC/Cold Point Village II

1.Expiration date March 29, 2012

#### c.L.D. 12-3 LFT Realty Group, Inc./725 Conshohocken Road

1.Extension granted to April 8, 2013 - 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 5-0 with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Simpson and Ms. Weidinger in favor.

#### d.L.D. 12-4 Conicelli./1010 Ridge Pike

1. Expiration date April 3, 2013

e.**Brandywine Sewage Planning Resolution** - Mr. Gillen made a motion to approve the DEP resolution pertaining to the Sewage Planning Module as requested by Brandywine Realty Trust. The motion 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.

f.**Homewood Suites Extension Requested to May 1, 2013 - ACTION** - Ms. Bruno stated that the Township is in receipt of a request from the applicant asking for a ninety day extension until May 1, 2013. The applicant agrees to pay all fees and assessments in effect at the



time the plan is recorded. Ms. Bruno made a motion to approve the extension request 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.

**g. First Niagra Maintenance Guaranty Release - ACTION** - Mr. Speers stated that the developer has completed all improvements necessary for the release of the maintenance guaranty. Ms. Bruno made a motion to authorize the release of the maintenance guaranty 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.

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#### CODE ENFORCEMENT/HEALTH

**a. Keystone Contract and BCO Appointment Resolution - Richard O'Brien** - Mr. Speers stated that these two items are combined into one resolution. Effective March 1<sup>st</sup>, the Township is terminating the current contract with our Building Code Inspection Services vendor, Remington, Vernick and Beach. The new contract will be with Keystone Municipal Services. The Building Code Official will be Richard O'Brien. The contract terms and fees will be the same as before. Ms. Bruno made a motion to approve the resolution subject to the approval of the Township Solicitor. The motion was seconded by Mr. Eisenberger; a roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 3-2 with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberger and Mr. Simpson in favor. Mr. Gillen and Ms. Weidinger were opposed.

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#### ZONING

**a. Zoning Hearings** - Mr. Eisenberger reported that the Zoning Hearing Board of Plymouth Township will hold a public hearing on Monday, February 18, 2013 commencing at 7:00 p.m., in the Plymouth Township Building on the following applications: 1) DAVID R. FAUST, AND 2) CARTER AND ADRIENNE AMES. Any citizen of Plymouth Township or interested person may attend the public hearing and have an opportunity to be heard.

**b. Remove Opposition** - Mr. Eisenberger made a motion that Council remove its opposition to the application of Norman Carpet pertaining to signage. The motion 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.

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PARKS AND RECREATION

a.EAB - CCT - Mr. Eisenberger read the resolution whereas Plymouth Township Council desires to determine the feasibility of connecting the section of the Montgomery County Cross County Trail in Plymouth to portions of the trail in Whitemarsh Township. Thomas, Campbell Company has made a proposal to perform a study regarding this at a cost not to exceed \$10,000 and Plymouth Township is agreeable to the scope of work as outlined in the proposal dated February 1, 2013 under and subject to the terms and written contract subject to the approval of the Township Solicitor. 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 5-0 with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Simpson and Ms. Weidinger in favor.

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PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

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MISCELLANEOUS/OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Gillen mentioned that he recently had his credit card stolen. He thanked the Police Department, particularly Detective Tony Costello who caught the perpetrator.

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AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Regular Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Mary Beth Jamison*  
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Recording Secretary