

PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP

REGULAR MEETING

June 13, 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  
Joe Lawrence -----Police Chief

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6:45 p.m. - Conditional Use Hearing - Cold Point Village - A Conditional Use Hearing was held at 6:45 p.m. to consider shared parking for the non-residential uses at 105 & 115 Plymouth Road and 2350 Butler Pike. The property is zoned Mixed Use Village Residential (MUV) District. Bernadette Kearney and Sal Paone were present representing the applicant, ENOAP, LLC and Stronghold Properties, LLC.

There were no questions or comments from Council or the audience in favor of or in opposition to the request.

Ms. Bruno made a motion to grant the request 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.

The Conditional Use Hearing was adjourned at 7:00 p.m. whereupon the Regular Meeting was convened.

Mr. Simpson led 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.

a. **Swearing in of Police Officers** - This agenda item was handled later in the meeting.

**ANNOUNCEMENT - Executive Session held June 3, 2013** - Mr. Simpson announced that an Executive Session was held on June 3, 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 | May 7, 2013  |
| b. | Regular Meeting  | May 13, 2013 |
| c. | Special Meeting  | May 30, 2013 |

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

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

Ms. Bruno made a motion to approve the departmental reports and bills 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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## ADMINISTRATION

a. **Tax Settlement** - Mr. Eisenberger made a motion to approve the tax settlement between the Colonial School District, the Township and CNL Hotel. 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.

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## POLICE/PUBLIC SAFETY

a. **National Police Week** - Since many of the Township Police Officers were not available last month, Mr. Simpson re-read the

resolution that declared the week of May 12<sup>th</sup> through May 18<sup>th</sup> as National Police Week. Plymouth Township Council honors its officers for their dedication and valor and expresses its gratitude for making Plymouth Township a desirable place to live and work. Mr. Eisenberger 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.

Mr. Simpson thanked Council and Ms. Weiss for their help in visiting the many municipalities that supported Plymouth Township during Officer Fox's passing.

Chief Lawrence thanked Council and Ms. Weiss for their help as well.

**b. Officer of the Year** - Chief Lawrence posthumously presented the Officer of the Year Award to Officer Brad Fox, for diligently serving the citizens of Plymouth Township with honor, dignity and great bravery. Officer Fox made the ultimate sacrifice exhibiting untold valor while guarding the community he was entrusted to protect. Officer Brad Fox will never be forgotten by those for whom he was chosen to safeguard nor by those men and women who served by his side. Mr. Eisenberger made a motion to approve the award 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. The award was accepted by Brad's wife, Lynsay and his parents and brother.

Ron Trask, President of AOH was present and mentioned that the group recently held a fundraiser in support of the Plymouth Township Police Department and Officer Fox's family. \$5,000 was raised in support of Officer Fox's family and \$1,000 will be donated to the Service and Devotion Monument. Mr. Simpson thanked the AOH for their generous contribution.

**c.L.Fox Agreement** - Mr. Speers stated that this item pertains to an agreement between the Township and Lynsay Fox in order to continue to provide health care to Officer Fox's family. Mr. Gillen made a motion to approve the agreement 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.

**Swearing in of Police Officers** - Chief Lawrence read the biography and Judge Francis Bernhardt presided over the swearing in of Mark Ransom as a new Plymouth Township Police Officer. Ms. Weidinger made a motion for approval 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.

Chief Lawrence read the biography and Judge Francis Bernhardt presided over the swearing in of Andrew Monaghan as a new Plymouth Township Police Officer. Ms. Bruno made a motion for approval 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.

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#### PUBLIC WORKS/SEWER

**a. Germantown Pike Signal Bid Award - ACTION** - Ms. Weidinger stated that the Township held a bid opening on May 3, 2013 pertaining to the Germantown Pike Signal Bid Award. Chris Loschiavo, the Public Works Director has recommended that the bid be awarded to Siemens Industry, Inc. in the amount of \$52,020. Ms. Weidinger made a motion to approve the bid award 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.

Resident, Rick Schickling asked if a traffic signal could be installed at Hallowell Road to work with Jolly Road. Ms. Weiss will ask that the Public Works Director check with PADOT regarding this question.

**b. Mosquito Control Announcement** - Mr. Gillen announced that the Township is conducting the mosquito spraying program again this year which includes treatments in all Township parks and certain tributaries running through Plymouth Township from May through September. If additional information is needed, residents can contact Mike Estock at 610-277-4100, extension 4229.

**c. Sandy Hill and Belvoir Roads Additional Services** - Ms. Bruno stated that the Township is in receipt of correspondence from T & M Associates requesting authorization to provide additional services pertaining to the Sandy Hill and Belvoir Roads Improvement Project in the amount of \$17,500. Ms. Bruno made a motion to approve the request 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.

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## ENGINEERING

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### SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT

#### **a.L.D. 12-4 Conicelli./1010 Ridge Pike - ACTION**

1. **Expiration date June 14, 2013** - Mr. Speers read the resolution whereas Plymouth Township does hereby approve the final Land Development Plan No. 12-4 for Conicelli, located at 1010 Ridge Pike in accordance with said plan and under and subject to the conditions read. Mr. Gillen made a motion to approve the resolution 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.

#### **b.L.D. 13-1 Plymouth Meeting Friends School - ACTION**

1. **Expiration date July 24, 2013** - Mr. Speers read the resolution whereas Plymouth Township does hereby approve the final Land Development Plan No. 13-1 for the Plymouth Meeting Friends School in accordance with said plan and under and subject to the conditions read. Ms. Bruno made a motion to approve the resolution 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.

#### **c.Extension Requests - ACTION**

1. **Homewood Suites to October 1, 2013** - Ms. Bruno made a motion to grant the extension 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.

2. **TB-BDN Plymouth Apartments to October 1, 2013** - Mr. Gillen made a motion to grant the extension until October 1, 2013 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.

**d.Proving Grounds request for Grading Permit** - Ms. Weiss read the resolution whereas Plymouth Township Council does hereby approve the request for a grading permit prior to the execution of a public improvement agreement and memorandum of public improvement agreement and the recording of the record plan under and subject to the conditions read. Ms. Bruno made a motion to approve the resolution 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.

**e. Proving Grounds Extension to August 4, 2013 - ACTION** - Ms. Weiss stated that the Township is in receipt of a request from the

Proving Grounds requesting an extension until August 4, 2013 to record the land development plan. The applicant agrees to pay all fees and assessments in effect at the time the plan is recorded. Ms. Weidinger made a motion to approve the request 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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## CODE ENFORCEMENT/HEALTH

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### ZONING

a. **Zoning Hearings** - Ms. Bruno reported that the Zoning Hearing Board of Plymouth Township will hold a public hearing on Monday, June 17, 2013, commencing at 7:00 p.m. in the Plymouth Township Building on the following applications: 1) 516 & 518 EAST TOWNSHIP LINE ROAD HOLDINGS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP C/O CS CAPITAL ASSET MANAGEMENT LLC, 2) JOSHUA LEONE & ERIN CAMP, 3) DRKZ ASSOCIATES, L.P., AND 4) 2928 WALTON ROAD, LLC C/O ANTHONY ZICCARDI. Any citizen of Plymouth Township or interested person may attend the public hearing and have an opportunity to be heard.

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## PARKS AND RECREATION

a. **Thank You for Plymouth Township Day** - On behalf of Council, Ms. Weidinger thanked the Parks and Recreation Department and all those involved in helping to make Plymouth Township Day a success.

Ms. Weidinger announced that Plymouth Township will once again be having the Fourth of July Parade at 10:00 a.m. Council is looking for people to walk in the parade in addition to seeking donations for refreshments.

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## PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

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### MISCELLANEOUS/OLD BUSINESS

a. **Service and Devotion Fundraiser - East Norriton Applebees -**

June 22<sup>nd</sup> - 8-10 a.m. - Mr. Simpson announced that a pancake breakfast will be held at the East Norriton Applebees on June 22<sup>nd</sup> from 8-10 a.m. All are invited to attend. The Service and Devotion Monument is expected to be completed in November by Veteran's Day.

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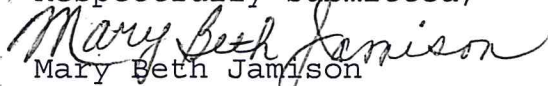
#### AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

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#### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Regular Meeting was adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Mary Beth Jamison  
Recording Secretary