

PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP

REGULAR MEETING

July 11, 2013

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

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

Staff: Karen Weiss ----- Manager
Tom Speers ----- Solicitor
Lonnie Manai ----- Woodrow Associates
Tim Creelman ----- Finance Director
Dave Conroy ----- Zoning Officer
Rick Carbo ----- Building & Grounds Dir.
John Myrsiades ----- Deputy Chief of Police

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

Intermunicipal Transfer Liquor License Hearing - 6:30 p.m. - Chairman Simpson announced that an Intermunicipal Transfer of Liquor License Hearing was held at 6:30 p.m. prior to the Regular Meeting.

PECO Presentation - Suzanne Ryan presented Plymouth Township with a Green Region Grant in the amount of \$10,000 this evening in support of its efforts in continuing the Cross County Trail. PECO recognizes the importance of preserving open space and its positive impact on the citizens of the Township. Ms. Ryan stated that this is the third grant that Plymouth Township has received and PECO wishes the Township success in the completion of the trail. On behalf of PECO, Ms. Ryan complemented the hard work of staff in bringing forward a quality application.

Bill Sabey and Mike Van Buren, members of the Environmental Advisory

Board explained their interest in improving bicycle planning in the Township. This grant will be used for a Feasibility Study to determine how to cross Germantown Pike and continue the Cross County Trail to Whitemarsh where it has been planned by the County. Mr. Eisenberger applauded the members for their efforts.

Recognitions

1) **20 Years of Service - David Ciarlo** - Mr. Eisenberger read the resolution recognizing David Ciarlo for his diligent and valuable service to the Sanitation and Building and Grounds Departments since July 19, 1993, thereby completing twenty years with Plymouth Township. Council publicly expresses its appreciation to Mr. Ciarlo. Mr. Eisenberger made a motion to approve the resolution and was seconded by Ms. Weidinger. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Simpson and Ms. Weidinger in favor. Ms. Bruno was absent. Mr. Simpson commented on Mr. Ciarlo's work ethic and recognized him as a dedicated employee.

2) **Rick Clifford** - Mr. Simpson read the resolution recognizing Rick Clifford for his diligent and valuable service while serving as the Secretary for both the Township Planning Agency and the Zoning Hearing Board for twenty-five years. The Township publicly expresses its appreciation to Mr. Clifford. Mr. Simpson made a motion to approve the resolution and was seconded by Mr. Eisenberger. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Simpson and Ms. Weidinger in favor. Ms. Bruno was absent.

3) **TSA** - Mr. Simpson stated that students from Colonial Middle School's Technology Student Association travelled to Orlando, Florida to compete with over 5,000 students from across the US, Germany and Turkey. Their project, an interpretive sign call "Life at the Creek", won a first place trophy. The sign is permanently displayed in Bicentennial Park. Mr. Simpson made a motion to approve the resolution and was seconded by Ms. Weidinger. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Simpson and Ms. Weidinger in favor. Ms. Bruno was absent.

Mr. Rickert from the School District and several students from the Colonial Middle School spoke about the project. They thanked Mr. Simpson, Ms. Weidinger, and Rick Carbo for their help with the project.

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 13, 2013
Executive Session held July 1, 2013
Executive Session held July 13, 2013

Mr. Simpson stated that Executive Sessions were held on June 13th, July 1st and July 13th, 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 | June 3, 2013 |
| b. | Special Meeting | June 6, 2013 |
| c. | Regular Meeting | June 13, 2013 |

Mr. Eisenberger 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 4-0 with Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Simpson and Ms. Weidinger in favor. Ms. Bruno 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 and was seconded by Mr. Gillen. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Simpson and Ms. Weidinger in favor. Ms. Bruno was absent.

ADMINISTRATION

a. Tax Settlement - Mr. Speers read the tax settlement between the Township, the School District and Brandywine Operating Partnership located at 600 W. Germantown Pike. Mr. Gillen made a motion to approve the settlement and was seconded by Mr. Eisenberger. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Simpson and Ms. Weidinger in favor. Ms. Bruno was absent.

b. Liquor License Transfer Resolution- Mr. Speers read the resolution pertaining to a Intermunicipal Transfer of a Liquor License from King of Prussia Bar and Restaurant, Inc. to Uncle Julio's which is located at the Plymouth Meeting Mall, subject to the condition read. Ms. Weidinger made a motion to approve the resolution and was seconded by Mr. Eisenberger. A roll call vote

was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Simpson and Ms. Weidinger in favor. Ms. Bruno was absent.

POLICE/PUBLIC SAFETY

Deputy Chief Myrsiades provided a report on recent police department activity in the Township as follows. There were numerous break-ins and an arrest of three juveniles was made. There were approximately ten burglaries in the Black Horse section of the Township and two arrests were made. There were several car burglaries as well. Deputy Chief Myrsiades encouraged residents to keep their cars locked and their personal items out of sight.

PUBLIC WORKS/SEWER

a. Mosquito Control Announcement - Mr. Eisenberger 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.

b. Sandy Hill and Belvoir Roads Inspection Services - Ms. Weidinger stated that the Township is in receipt of correspondence from Woodrow & Associates for a proposal to conduct construction observation of the Sandy Hill and Belvoir Roads Improvement Project at a cost of \$15,000. Ms. Weidinger made a motion to approve the proposal for inspection services and was seconded by Mr. Eisenberger. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Simpson and Ms. Weidinger in favor. Ms. Bruno was absent.

ENGINEERING

SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT

a.L.D. 13-2 Trumark Financial - Butler Pike
1. Expiration date August 22, 2013

b.L.D. 13-3 Joseph Hoffman - PECO Energy co/2001 Gallagher Road

1.Expiration date September 19, 2013

c.S.D.13-1 Tisons Homes/1406 Colwell Lane

1.Expiration date September 17, 2013

d.Escrow Release - ACTION

1.474 Old Elm Street - Mr. Eisenberger made a motion to approve the escrow release for 474 Old Elm Street in the amount of \$44,318.73 as recommended by Woodrow & Associates. The motion was seconded by Ms. Weidinger; a roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Simpson and Ms. Weidinger in favor. Ms. Bruno was absent.

e.1310 Wood Street Landscape Maintenance Guaranty Release - ACTION

- Mr. Speers read the resolution approving the release of the landscape maintenance guaranty for 1310 Wood Street. Mr. Gillen made a motion to approve the resolution and was seconded by Mr. Eisenberger. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Simpson and Ms. Weidinger in favor. Ms. Bruno was absent.

f.Extension Request - ACTION

1. Cold Point Village II to October 31, 2013 - Mr. Gillen made a motion to grant the extension for Cold Point Village II to October 31, 2013. The motion was seconded by Ms. Weidinger; a roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Simpson and Ms. Weidinger in favor. Ms. Bruno was absent.

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 22, 2013, commencing at 7:00 p.m., in the Plymouth Township Building on the following applications: 1) 621 COMMONS CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATES AND 2) GORDON LAWTON. Any citizen of Plymouth Township or interested person may attend the public hearing and have an opportunity to be heard.

PARKS AND RECREATION

a.HWP Grant Resolution - Ms. Weidinger made a motion to approve the resolution for the Act 13-Greenways, Trails & Recreation Grant. The Township is applying for a grant in the amount of

\$250,000 to be used for improvements to the Harriet Wetherill Park. The motion was seconded by Mr. Eisenberger; a roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Simpson and Ms. Weidinger in favor. Ms. Bruno was absent.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

MISCELLANEOUS/OLD BUSINESS

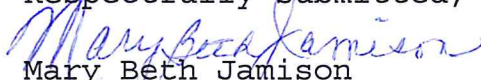
a. Performances in the Park - Red, White & Blue Bash - August 1st - 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Mr. Simpson stated that a groundbreaking for the Service and Devotion Monument which will be located at the corner of Germantown Pike and Walton Road will be held on August 1st. The Army Band will be performing from 7:00 until 9:00 p.m. The festivities will begin at 5:30 p.m. and include a groundbreaking, a barbecue and fun events for the kids.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Regular Meeting was adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Mary Beth Jamison
Recording Secretary