

PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP

REGULAR MEETING

March 13, 2017

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

Council: Dean Eisenberger ----- Chairman
Lenore Bruno ----- Vice-Chairwoman
Marty Higgins
Chris Manero
Ron Trask

Staff: Tom Speers ----- Solicitor
Chris Loschiavo ----- Public Works Director
Joe Lawrence ----- Police Chief
John Myrsiades ----- Deputy Police Chief
Tim Creelman ----- Finance Director
Lonnie Manai ----- Woodrow & Associates

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

Chairman Eisenberger asked for a moment of silence on behalf of Chief, Jack Phipps from Harmonville Fire Company who passed away this morning.

Flag Presentation - Tom and Leslie Parkin - 100 Patriot Circle and their daughter, Lauren were present this evening pertaining to a flag presentation. Lauren had noticed that the flag located at the Service and Devotion Monument in the Township had deteriorated and she offered to donate a flag in honor of her father who served in the U.S. Navy.

Mr. Manero read the many accomplishments of Mr. Parkin while serving in the Navy and made a motion to accept the flag. 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. Higgins, Mr. Manero and Mr. Trask in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENT- Mr. Eisenberger asked if there was any public comment pertaining to any of the items advertised on the agenda and there was none.

Retirement Resolution - Sgt. John Jackson - ACTION

Chief Lawrence stated that Sgt. John Jackson has served the Plymouth Township Police Department since he was hired in 1982. He is now retiring after thirty-five years. Sgt. Jackson not only served the Police Department, but also served as a volunteer fire fighter and was the Chief of Plymouth Fire Company for five years. Chief Lawrence stated that it has been a pleasure and an honor working with Sgt. Jackson.

Mr. Eisenberger stated that it is an honor to recognize Sgt. Jackson who has served the Police Department for thirty-five years and retired last month. Mr. Eisenberger stated that he had the honor of working with Sgt. Jackson in the Police Department. Mr. Eisenberger paid tribute to Sgt. Jackson and offered him his best wishes. Council honors him for his dedication and service to Council and to the citizens and businesses in the Township.

Ms. Bruno read the resolution whereas Sgt. Jackson has diligently served Plymouth Township since January 10, 1982 and has established February 28, 2017 as his retirement date. Plymouth Township commends him for his thirty-five years of service. Plymouth Township desires to formally recognize Sgt. Jackson and publicly express its appreciation for his service. Best wishes are extended for a productive and happy retirement.

Ms. Bruno made a motion to approve the resolution and was seconded by Mr. Trask

Mr. Higgins read a proclamation from Kevin Steel, District Attorney for Montgomery County commending Sgt, Jackson for his years of service.

Ms. Bruno thanked Sgt. Jackson for his years of service.

A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Manero and Mr. Trask in favor.

ANNOUNCEMENT - Executive Session held March 6, 2017
Executive Session held March 13, 2017

Mr. Eisenberger announced that Executive Sessions were held on March 6th and March 13th, 2017 in order to discuss litigation and personnel matters.

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

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| a. | Workshop Meeting | February 6, 2017 |
| b. | Regular Meeting | February 13, 2017 |

Ms. Bruno made a motion to approve the minutes without the necessity of reading. The motion was seconded by Mr. Trask; a roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberger,

Mr. Higgins, Mr. Manero and Mr. Trask in favor.

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

Ms. Bruno made a motion to approve the departmental reports and bills. The motion was seconded by Mr. Manero; a roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Manero and Mr. Trask in favor.

ADMINISTRATION

a.Sewer Rent Increase Ordinance - ACTION - Mr. Speers read the ordinance amending Chapter 23. Water, sewers and sewage disposal, division 3, rates and charges, Section 23-43 (a). Rentals of rates, to increase the rentals and rates for sanitary sewage for metered and non-metered water users within the Township. Ms. Bruno made a motion to approve the ordinance and was seconded by Mr. Higgins. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Manero and Mr. Trask in favor.

POLICE/PUBLIC SAFETY

a.Civil Service Rules Amendment Ordinance - ACTION - Mr. Speers read the ordinance authorizing an amendment of the Plymouth Township Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2-Administration, Article 2 Administrative Code, Division 5 Civil Service rules and regulations, Section 2-163 (a) to remove the requirement that police officers pass a physical examination at least every three years and to amend Section 2-124 (d) to require physical examinations for promotions to Sergeant, Lieutenant, Captain, Deputy Chief or Chief. Mr. Manero made a motion to approve the ordinance and was seconded by Mr. Trask. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Manero and Mr. Trask in favor.

b.Shredding Event Announcement - April 15h - 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. in parking lot - Mr. Manero announced that a Shredding Event will take place in the Township parking lot on April 15th from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. The event is free to the public.

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

Mr. Eisenberger announced that all non-essential Township employees will not be reporting to work tomorrow due to the impending snowstorm. In addition, there will be no trash collection.

PUBLIC WORKS/SEWER

ENGINEERING

SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT

a.L.D. 17-1 LFT Realty Group, Inc./725 Conshohocken Road

1) Expiration date April 9, 2017 - ACTION - Mr. Speers read the resolution for conditional approval of the Land Development plan prepared for LFT Realty, Group, Inc./725 Conshohocken Road, Land Development application 17-1, under and subject to the conditions read. No waivers are being requested. This is for the construction of two additional turf fields for athletic and recreational use at the Proving Grounds. Mr. Speers stated that in order to be effective, the resolution needs to be signed by the applicant prior to April 1st. Ms. Bruno made a motion to approve the resolution and was seconded by Mr. Higgins. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Manero and Mr. Trask in favor.

b.Extension Requests - ACTION

1)Plymouth Hospitality to April 15, 2017 - Ms. Bruno made a motion to grant the extension request and was seconded by Mr. Trask. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Manero and Mr. Trask in favor.

c.Escrow Release - ACTION

1)WaWa - Mr. Trask announced that the Township is in receipt of correspondence from Woodrow and Associates recommending an escrow release in the amount of \$35,026.80 for WaWa. Mr. Trask made a motion to approve the escrow release and was seconded by Mr. Manero. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Manero and Mr. Trask in favor.

CODE ENFORCEMENT/HEALTH

a.Records Disposition Resolution - Mr. Higgins read the resolution whereas Plymouth Township Council authorizes the disposition of the following records: Code Enforcement Department - miscellaneous records, 20 cubic feet. Mr. Higgins made a motion to approve the resolution and was seconded by Mr. Trask. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Manero and Mr. Trask in favor.

ZONING

a.Zoning Hearings - Ms. Bruno announced that the Zoning Hearing

Board of Plymouth Township will hold a public hearing on Monday, March 20, 2017, commencing at 7:00 p.m., in the Plymouth Township Building on the following applications: 1) CONICELLI ENTERPRISES, INC. (CONICELLI REALTY LP) - 1100 RIDGE PIKE - AND 2) ARISTACARE AT MEADOW SPRINGS (GK PLYMOUTH REALTY, LLC) - 845 GERMANTOWN PIKE AND 1939 HALLOWELL ROAD. Any citizen of Plymouth Township or interested party may attend the public hearing and have an opportunity to be heard.

PARKS AND RECREATION

a.DCNR Grant Resolutions - Mr. Manero stated that this resolution pertains to a grant being requested by the Township from the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources for the Dickinson Farmstead. It is for recreational access improvements. Plymouth Township desires to receive a grant for this work. Mr. Manero made a motion to approve the resolution and was seconded by Mr. Trask.

Mr. Eisenberger stated that this resolution is for the Township to obtain grant funds to begin work at the Dickinson Farmstead to provide additional open space.

A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Manero and Mr. Trask in favor.

Mr. Manero stated there is a second resolution that is basically the same to obtain grant funding for the Dickinson Farmstead acquisition. Mr. Manero made a motion to approve the resolution and was seconded by Mr. Higgins. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bruno, Mr. Eisenberger, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Manero and Mr. Trask in favor.

Maria Weidinger - 19 Kormar Road asked where the Dickinson Farmstead is located. Mr. Eisenberger stated that it is located along Chemical Road and Germantown Pike, behind the Lukoil Gas Station.

b.Service and Devotion Announcement - Mr. Higgins announced that individuals are still able to purchase bricks and pavers for the Service and Devotion Monument to honor those who have served in the military. In addition, donations are still being accepted from businesses.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

MISCELLANEOUS/OLD BUSINESS

a. Plymouth Township Day Announcement - June 3, 2017 - 11:00 a.m. -3:00 p.m. - EPV Park - Mr. Trask announced that Plymouth Township Day will be held on June 3, 2017 from 11:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. at East Plymouth Valley Park.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Diane Boyle - 3049 Jolly Road stated that her neighbor was previously issued a citation by the Township pertaining to the condition of their property. The issues have not been resolved. There is a pool that has not been maintained in addition to the grass not being cut for over a year. Ms. Boyle believes this to be a health and safety issue. She provided photos to Council.

Mr. Eisenberger stated that Council and staff are aware of this problem and that the Township continues to provide enforcement regarding this. There is however, a limit to the Township's capabilities under the code. The Township can take the issue to court but ultimately the decision is in the hands of the judge. Mr. Eisenberger will speak to the Township Code Enforcement Officer regarding this and will inform Ms. Boyle of the outcome.

Mr. Higgins stated that he looked at the property that Ms. Boyle is referring to today and he can confirm what the pictures show. He stated that the Township needs to act on this matter.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Beth Jamison
Recording Secretary