

PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP

REGULAR MEETING

December 14, 2020

Plymouth Township Council held its Regular Meeting via Zoom. The following officials were in attendance:

Council: Chris Manero ----- Chairman
Karen Bramblett ----- Vice-Chairman
David Gannon
Marty Higgins
Kathy Bandish

Staff: Karen Weiss ----- Manager
Michael Clarke ----- Solicitor
John Myrsiades ----- Chief of Police
Tim Creelman ----- Director of Finance
Lonnie Manai ----- Woodrow & Associates

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE- The Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. and Chairman Manero led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

20 Years of Service Resolutions - ACTION

1) **Harry Levans-** Ms. Bandish read the resolution recognizing Harry Levans for his generous and outstanding service and contributions rendered while serving in the Park and Recreation Department since April 10th 2000, thereby completing 20 years of service. Council extends its appreciation to Harry Levans who served with commitment and dedication. Plymouth Township Council desires to recognize the diligent and valuable services rendered by Harry Levans. Ms. Bandish made a motion to approve the resolution and was seconded by Ms. Bramblett. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Mr. Manero, Ms. Bramblett, Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, and Ms. Bandish in favor.

2) **Joanna Sharapan-** Mr. Manero read the resolution recognizing Joanna Sharapan for her generous and outstanding service and contributions rendered while serving in the Park and Recreation Department since December 6th, 2000 thereby completing 20 years of service. Council extends its appreciation to Joanna Sharapan who served with commitment and dedication. Plymouth Township Council desires to recognize the diligent and valuable services rendered by Joanna Sharapan. Mr. Manero made a motion to approve the resolution and was seconded by Ms. Bramblett.

A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Mr. Manero, Ms. Bramblett, Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, and Ms. Bandish in favor.

**ANNOUNCEMENT- Executive Session held November 16, 2020
Executive Session held December 7, 2020**

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

- A. Workshop Meeting _____ November 4, 2020
- B. Regular Meeting _____ November 9, 2020
- C. Budget Meeting _____ November 16, 2020

Mr. Gannon made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Higgins and passed 5-0 with Mr. Manero, Ms. Bramblett, Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, and Ms. Bandish in favor.

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

Ms. Bramblett made a motion to approve the departmental reports and bills. The motion was seconded by Mr. Higgins and passed 5-0 with Mr. Manero, Ms. Bramblett, Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, and Ms. Bandish in favor.

ADMINISTRATION

A. 2021 Budget Ordinance- First & Final Consideration - ACTION- Mr. Clarke stated that this is an ordinance pursuant to Section 702.D of the Home Rule Charter adopting the operating and capital budgets, expenditures and expenses for the fiscal year 2021 and levying a Real Estate Tax on all property within the Township for fiscal year 2021 at the rate of 1.7 mils on each dollar of assessed valuation, or the sum of seventeen (17) cents on each one hundred dollars of assessed valuation and levying a separate assessment dedicated to the Plymouth Township Fire Services on all property within the Township for fiscal year 2021 at the rate of .72 mils on each dollar of assessed valuation, or the sum of seven.two (7.2) cents of each one hundred dollars of assessed valuation. Mr. Gannon made a motion to approve the ordinance for first and final consideration. The motion was seconded by Mr. Higgins. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Mr. Manero, Ms. Bramblett, Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, and Ms. Bandish in favor.

B. Reorganization Meeting Announcement - Monday, January 4, 2021- 7:30 p.m.- Mr. Manero announced that Council will hold a Reorganization Meeting on Monday, January 4th, 2021, commencing at 7:30 p.m. via Zoom.

C. Tax Settlement- Dominic Conicelli- ACTION- Ms. Bramblett made a motion to approve this tax settlement regarding Dominic Conicelli located at 1200 Ridge Pike. The motion was seconded by Ms. Bandish. A roll call vote was taken and passed 5-0 with Mr. Manero, Ms. Bramblett, Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, and Ms. Bandish in favor.

D. **Tax Settlement- Target Corp T-1269- ACTION-** Mr. Higgins made a motion to approve this tax settlement regarding Target Corp T-1269 located at 2050 Chemical Road. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gannon. A roll call vote was taken and passed 5-0 with Mr. Manero, Ms. Bramblett, Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, and Ms. Bandish in favor.

E. **CARES ACT Aid to Local Governments- Ratification Resolution- ACTION-** Mr. Manero clarified that in the event that a CARES ACT gets passed for federal aid to local governments, Ms. Weiss and/or Mr. Creelman will be authorized to apply for aid. Ms. Bramblett made a motion to approve this resolution and was seconded by Ms. Bandish. A roll call vote was taken and passed 5-0 with Mr. Manero, Ms. Bramblett, Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, and Ms. Bandish in favor.

F. **COVID Disaster Relief Resolution- ACTION-** Ms. Weiss stated this resolution is for reimbursement of items related to COVID such as the Halo Mister and PPE. Ms. Bramblett made a motion to approve this resolution and was seconded by Mr. Gannon. A roll call vote was taken and passed 5-0 with Mr. Manero, Ms. Bramblett, Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, and Ms. Bandish in favor.

POLICE/PUBLIC SAFETY

A. **Marijuana Ordinance- First Consideration-** Mr. Clarke stated this ordinance is an amendment to chapter 14 to create provisions for the possession of a small amount of marijuana. Mr. Higgins stated this is a good first step. Mr. Manero asked what would be different in the procedures today if someone committed this offense. Chief Myrsiades stated they would be charged criminally or issued a disorderly conduct citation. Mr. Ben Gibbons asked if this would apply to school properties and would a criminal offense be cited. Chief Myrsiades stated yes it would still be considered a criminal offense, but made it a point not to list schools as a public place under the ordinance. Mr. Gibbons also asked if this would be consistent through other municipalities. Chief Myrsiades stated if it is in our jurisdiction then it would fall under our ordinance. Mr. Gibbons asked if there was a certain age range that would be mostly impacted by this. Chief Myrsiades stated he did not have that information in front of him, however adults 18 and over are more affected and charged criminally. Council was in favor to move forward with this.

PUBLIC WORKS/SEWER

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

B. **Resolution for Plan Revision- ENT Sewer Sale to Aqua- ACTION-** Mr. Higgins made a motion and was seconded by Mr. Gannon. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Mr. Manero, Ms. Bramblett, Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, and Ms. Bandish in favor.

C. **Second Amendment to Arch Road Sewer Agreement- ACTION-** Mr. Manero clarified that this amendment allows 14 townhomes at 2208 Old Arch Road in East Norriton Township to connect the sanitary sewer into Plymouth Township's system. Mr. Higgins made a motion and was seconded by Ms. Bandish. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Mr. Manero, Ms. Bramblett, Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, and Ms. Bandish in favor.

D. **PADOT Five Year Winter Services Agreement and Resolution- ACTION-** Ms. Bramblett stated this agreement is to remove snow and ice from state owned roads and be reimbursed by PADOT. Ms. Bramblett made a motion to approve this and was seconded by Mr. Gannon. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Mr. Manero, Ms. Bramblett, Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, and Ms. Bandish in favor.

ENGINEERING

SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT UNDER REVIEW

A. L.D. 17-2 Conicelli Auto Group/906 Ridge Pike

1) Expiration date February 20, 2021

B. L.D. 18-4 SMG Hotels/201 Plymouth Road

1) Extension granted to April 30, 2021 - **ACTION-** Mr. Higgins made a motion to approve this extension and was seconded by Ms. Bramblett. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Mr. Manero, Ms. Bramblett, Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, and Ms. Bandish in favor.

C. S.D. 19-2 3116 Jolly Road

1) Expiration date June 1, 2021

D. L.D. 20-3 Proving Grounds Fields 6-8

1) Extension granted to January 31, 2021- **ACTION-** Mr. Gannon made a motion to approve this extension and was seconded by Mr. Higgins. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Mr. Manero, Ms. Bramblett, Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, and Ms. Bandish in favor.

E. S.D. 20-2 Marchese/751 Belvoir Road

1). Time Limit Waived

F. S.D. 20-3 11 Malvern Road and 3008 Jolly Road/Lot Line

1) Expiration date January 6, 2021- **ACTION-** Mr. Clarke read the resolution to conditionally approve this subdivision. Mr. Gannon made a motion to approve the resolution and was seconded by Ms. Bramblett. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Mr. Manero, Ms. Bramblett, Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, and Ms. Bandish in favor.

CONDITIONALLY APPROVED PROJECTS NOT YET RECORDED

A. **Extension requests- ACTION-**

1) Metroplex Corporate Center Phase 3 to December 31, 2021- Ms. Bandish made a motion to approve the time extension request and was seconded by Ms. Bramblett. A roll call vote was taken and passed 5-0 with Mr. Manero, Ms. Bramblett, Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, and Ms. Bandish in favor.

2) 2928 Walton Road to December 31, 2021- Mr. Higgins made a motion to approve the time extension request and was seconded by Mr. Gannon. A roll call vote was taken and passed 5-0 with Mr. Manero, Ms. Bramblett, Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, and Ms. Bandish in favor.

PROJECTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION

CODE ENFORCEMENT

ZONING

A. Zoning Hearings- Mr. Manero announced that the Zoning Hearing Board of Plymouth Township will hold a meeting via Zoom on Monday, December 21, 2020, commencing at 6:00 p.m., on the following applications: 1) Eric Catenacci- 3115 Plymouth Rock Road, 2) Colwell Park, LLC- 1050 Colwell Lane, and 3) Daisy & Durwood Walk- 700 Rebel Road. Any citizen of Plymouth Township or interested party may attend the public hearing and have an opportunity to be heard. Login details will be available at www.plymouthtownship.org and the Township's Facebook account prior to the hearing.

PARKS AND RECREATION

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

MISCELLANEOUS/ OLD BUSINESS

A. Citizen Board Vacancy Announcement- Ms. Bandish stated the following citizen board positions are open: two positions on the Property Maintenance Code Appeals Board, and one position on the Humans Relations Commission.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Regular Meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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