PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP

REGULAR MEETING

February 10, 2020

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

Council: Chris Manero ----- Chairman

Karen Bramblett ----- Vice-Chairman

David Gannon Marty Higgins

Staff:

Karen Weiss ----- Manager Michael Clarke ----- Solicitor

John Myrsiades ----- Chief of Police

Lonnie Manai ----- Woodrow & Associates

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

Swearing in Police Officer George Cornick- Chief Myrsiades provided Officer Cornick's background. Mr. Gannon made a motion to hire George Cornick and was seconded by Ms. Bramblett. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, Ms. Bramblett, and Mr. Manero in favor. Ms. Bandish was absent. The Honorable Judge Francis Bernhardt presided over the swearing in of Police Officer George Cornick. Mr. Manero wished Officer George Cornick the best of luck.

PUBLIC COMMENT- Mr. Manero asked if there was any public comment pertaining to any of the items advertised on the agenda:

20 Years of Service Resolution- Robert Heger- ACTION- Ms. Bramblett read the resolution recognizing Robert Heger for his generous and outstanding service and contributions rendered while serving in the Police Department beginning on February 1, 2000, thereby completing 20 years of service. Council extends its appreciation to Robert Heger who served with commitment and dedication. Plymouth Township Council desires to recognize the diligent and valuable services rendered by Robert Heger. Ms. Bramblett made a motion to approve the resolution and was seconded by Mr. Higgins. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, Ms. Bramblett, and Mr. Manero in favor. Ms. Bandish was absent.

20 Years of Service Resolution- Douglas Wells- ACTION- Mr. Higgins read the resolution recognizing Douglas Wells for his generous and outstanding service and contributions rendered while serving in the Police Department beginning on February 1, 2000, thereby completing 20 years of service. Council extends its appreciation to Douglas Wells who served with commitment and dedication. Plymouth Township Council desires to recognize the diligent and valuable services rendered by Douglass Wells. Mr. Higgins made a motion to approve the resolution and was seconded by Mr. Gannon. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, Ms. Bramblett, and Mr. Manero in favor. Ms. Bandish was absent.

Citizen Board Resolutions- ACTION-

- 1) Rick Clewell- Property Maintenance Code Appeals Board- Mr. Gannon read the resolution recognizing Rick Clewell for his generous and outstanding service and contributions rendered while serving on the Property Maintenance Code Appeals Board from March, 2014 through December, 2019. Council extends its appreciation to Mr. Clewell who served with commitment and dedication. 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 4-0 with Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, Ms. Bramblett, and Mr. Manero in favor. Ms. Bandish was absent.
- 2) Al Fazzini- East Norriton- Plymouth- Whitpain Joint Sewer Authority- Mr. Manero read the resolution recognizing Al Fazzini for his generous and outstanding service and contributions rendered while serving on the East Norriton- Plymouth- Whitpain Joint Sewer Authority from July, 2016 through December, 2019. Council extends its appreciation to Mr. Fazzini who served with commitment and dedication. 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 4-0 with Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, Ms. Bramblett, and Mr. Manero in favor. Ms. Bandish was absent.

ANNOUNCEMENT- Executive Session held February 3, 2020

APPPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mr. Manero called for the approval of the minutes.

- a. Reorganization Meeting ----- January 6, 2020
- b. Workshop Meeting ----- January 7, 2020
- c. Regular Meeting ----- January 13, 2020

Mr. Gannon made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Ms. Bramblett and passed 4-0 with Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, Ms. Bramblett, and Mr. Manero in favor. Ms. Bandish was absent.

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

Mr. Higgins made a motion to approve the departmental reports and bills. The motion was seconded by Ms. Bramblett and passed 4-0 with Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, Ms. Bramblett, and Mr. Manero in favor. Ms. Bandish was absent.

ADMINISTRATION

a. Tax Settlement- Mr. Higgins made a motion to approve the tax settlement between the Township and 518 Township Line Road. The settlement has resulted in a refund to the property owner in the amount of \$4,049. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gannon. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, Ms. Bramblett, and Mr. Manero in favor. Ms. Bandish was absent.

POLICE/PUBLIC SAFETY

a. February 12th Community Conversations Announcement- Ms. Bramblett announced on February 12th Chief Myrsiades will host the community conversations at the GPCC at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend. Chief Myrsiades stated this will be a two-fold conversation; domestic violence and safety issues for women, and diversifying and opportunities for women in the police organization.

PUBLIC/WORKS/SEWER

- a. Snow Announcement- Mr. Higgins reminded residents that the Township Snow Policy is in effect and then read the official policy.
- **b. PADOT Snow Agreement and Resolution-** Mr. Manero read the resolution for the Township to perform snow and ice removal for certain state highways. Ms. Bramblett made a motion to approve this resolution and was seconded by Mr. Higgins. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, Ms. Bramblett, and Mr. Manero in favor. Ms. Bandish was absent.
- c. Ridge Pike Sidewalk Agreement- Mr. Clarke read the agreement between the County and Township for Ridge Pike sidewalks. Mr. Higgins made a motion to approve this agreement and was seconded by Mr. Gannon. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, Ms. Bramblett, and Mr. Manero in favor. Ms. Bandish was absent.

ENGINEERING

SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENTS UNDER REVIEW

- a. L.D. 17-2 Conicelli Auto Group/906 Ridge Pike
 - 1) Expiration date April 20,2020
- b. L.D. 18-3 Paone Assoc./2418 Butler Pike
- 1) Time Limited Waived- ACTION- Mr. Clarke read the resolution approving the land development plan 18-3, Paone Associates, 2418 Butler Pike, proposing 12 new townhomes. Mr. Higgins made a motion to approve this resolution and was seconded by Mr. Gannon. Ms. Bramblett asked if the mature shade trees will or will not be replaced. Mr. Paone stated all are being replaced within the Cold Point property, however, they are using a tree for substitution that is not as large. Mr. Paone stated that homeowners are cutting down the shade trees due to the fact that they are quite large.

Ms. Bramblett asked if homeowners are allowed to be cutting down trees. Ms. Weiss stated homeowners are allowed to. Mr. Higgins reconfirmed that Mr. Paone will replace the shade trees on or as close to the property as he can. Mr. Paone stated that two waivers on the resolution are missing. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 3-1 with Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, and Mr. Manero in favor. Ms. Bramblett was opposed. Ms. Bandish was absent.

c. S.D. 18-1 Paone Assoc./2424 Butler Pike

- Time Limited Waived- ACTION- Mr. Clarke read the resolution approving the subdivision application 18-1, Paone Associates, 2424 Butler Pike, proposing to subdivide a 1.08 acre lot into two lots. Mr. Higgins made a motion to approve this application and was seconded by Mr. Gannon. Ms. Bramblett asked what kind of buildings will be put on this lot when subdivided. Mr. Paone stated it is part of the Village Station property project. Ms. Vivian Lotz, 9 Timberfare Circle, asked if an evergreen tree is larger in size than a shade tree. Mr. Paone stated yes, however, he is not saying that where a shade tree can't go an evergreen tree will. The ordinance provides for a replacement ratio that includes shade trees, evergreens, ornamental trees, and shrubs. All replacement trees are being planted. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, Ms. Bramblett, and Mr. Manero in favor. Ms. Bandish was absent. Mr. Gannon stated it's worth taking a look at the ordinances and requested waivers earlier in the process. Developers should not expect waivers, but rather design to the codes.
- d. L.D. 18-4 SMG Hotels/201 Plymouth Road
 - 1) Expiration date April 30, 2020
- e. S.D. 19-2 3116 Jolly Road
 - 1) Expiration June 1, 2020

CONDITIONALLY APPROVED PROJECTS NOT YET RECORDED

a. Extension Request- ACTION

- 1) Bimbo Bakeries/ E. Kahn Development to April 14, 2020- Mr. Gannon made a motion to approve the time extension request. The motion was seconded by Mr. Higgins and passed 4-0 with Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, Ms. Bramblett, and Mr. Manero in favor. Ms. Bandish was absent.
- 2) Lilvin- Brook Road to April 30, 2020- Mr. Gannon made a motion to approve the time extension request. The motion was seconded by Ms. Bramblett and passed 4-0 with Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, Ms. Bramblett, and Mr. Manero in favor. Ms. Bandish was absent.
- 3) Eisenberger- 356 Fairfield Road to August 31, 2020- Mr. Gannon made a motion to approve the time extension request. The motion was seconded by Mr. Higgins and passed 4-0 with Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, Ms. Bramblett, and Mr. Manero in favor. Ms. Bandish was absent.
- 4) Alba Family/Tammaro to May 7, 2020- Mr. Gannon made a motion to approve the time extension request. The motion was seconded by Mr. Higgins and passed 4-0 with Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, Ms. Bramblett, and Mr. Manero in favor. Ms. Bandish was absent.
- 5) SAFStore- 100 Lee Drive to April 14, 2020- Mr. Gannon made a motion to approve the time extension request. The motion was seconded by Ms. Bramblett and passed 4-0 with Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, Ms. Bramblett, and Mr. Manero in favor. Ms. Bandish was absent.

PROJECTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION

a. Escrow Release- ACTION

- 1) Arbour Square- Mr. Higgins stated this communication is from Woodrow & Associates, stating sufficient work has been completed to release \$ 58,220. Mr. Higgins made a motion to approve and was seconded by Mr. Gannon. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, Ms. Bramblett, and Mr. Manero in favor. Ms. Bandish was absent.
- 2) PlymouthTowne- Mr. Gannon stated this communication is from Woodrow & Associates, stating sufficient work has been completed to release \$293,218.95. Mr. Gannon made a motion to approve and was seconded by Mr. Higgins. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, Ms. Bramblett, and Mr. Manero in favor. Ms. Bandish was absent.

ZONING

PARKS AND RECREATION

a. GPCC 20th Anniversary Announcement- Ms. Bramblett stated on March 28^{th} 12:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. & April 8^{th} 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. GPCC will be celebrating its 20^{th} anniversary. All are welcome to celebrate with us at the GPCC.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

MISCELLANEOUS/OLD BUSINESS

a. Citizen Board Vacancies- Mr. Manero stated the following citizen board positions are open: two positions on the Property Maintenance Code Appeals Board, and one on the Historical Architectural Review Board.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Regular Meeting was adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

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