

PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP

REGULAR MEETING

May 10, 2021

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

Council: Chris Manero ----- Chairman (Late)
Karen Bramblett ----- Vice-Chairman
David Gannon
Kathy Bandish

Staff: Karen Weiss ----- Manager
Michael Clarke ----- Solicitor
Alex Glassman ----- Solicitor's Office
John Myrsiades ----- Chief of Police
Tim Creelman ----- Director of Finance
Chris Loschiavo ----- Public Works Director
Lonnie Manai ----- Woodrow & Associates

Pledge of Allegiance - The Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. and Vice-Chairman Bramblett led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Swearing In- Officer Troy Lachenmayer- Mr. Gannon made a motion to hire Officer Troy Lachenmayer and was seconded by Ms. Bandish. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 3-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, and Mr. Gannon in favor. Mr. Higgins was absent and Mr. Manero was absent at this time. The Honorable Judge Francis Bernhardt presided over the swearing in of Police Officer Troy Lachenmayer.

ANNOUNCEMENT- Executive Session held May 3, 2021

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Vice-Chairman Bramblett called for the approval of the minutes.

- a. Workshop Meeting ----- April 5, 2021
- b. Regular Meeting ----- April 12, 2021

Ms. Bandish made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gannon.

A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 3-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, and Mr. Gannon in favor. Mr. Higgins was absent and Mr. Manero was absent at this time.

APPROVAL OF DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS AND BILLS: Vice-Chairman Bramblett called for the approval of the departmental reports and bills. Ms. Bandish made a motion to approve the departmental reports and bills. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gannon. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 3-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, and Mr. Gannon in favor. Mr. Higgins was absent and Mr. Manero was absent at this time.

ADMINISTRATION

a. **Tax Settlement- Metroplex West- ACTION-** Mr. Clarke stated Plymouth Township is due \$2,837.87 from the property owner. Mr. Gannon made a motion to approve this tax settlement regarding Metroplex West located at 2095 Gallagher Road. The motion was seconded by Ms. Bandish. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 3-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, and Mr. Gannon in favor. Mr. Higgins was absent and Mr. Manero was absent at this time.

b. **Tax Settlement- Metroplex East- ACTION-** Mr. Clarke stated this settlement agreement resulted in an over payment of \$7,682.02 to Plymouth Township. Ms. Bandish made a motion to approve this tax settlement regarding Metroplex East located at 4000 Chemical Road. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gannon. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 3-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, and Mr. Gannon in favor. Mr. Higgins was absent and Mr. Manero was absent at this time.

c. **Tax Settlement- Plymouth Square Shopping Center- ACTION-** Mr. Clarke stated both parties approved a settlement payment agreement. Ms. Bandish made a motion to approve this tax settlement and was seconded by Mr. Gannon. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 3-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, and Mr. Gannon in favor. Mr. Higgins was absent and Mr. Manero was absent at this time.

POLICE/PUBLIC SAFETY

a. **National Police Week Resolution- ACTION-** Ms. Bramblett read the resolution declaring the week of May 9th, as National Police Week. Ms. Bramblett recognized the Township Police Department for its valor, service, and dedication to the Township. Ms. Bramblett made a motion to approve this resolution. The motion was seconded by Ms. Bramblett.

A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 3-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, and Mr. Gannon in favor. Mr. Higgins was absent and Mr. Manero was absent at this time.

b. Officer of the Year- Mark Ransom- Mr. Gannon read the resolution whereas, Officer Mark Ransom has performed diligently and faithfully the duties and services required of him by the Township of Plymouth, and whereas, the performance of Officer Mark Ransom was in the highest standard of the Law Enforcement profession, and whereas, a vote has been taken by the police department supervisory staff to recognize Officer Mark Ransom's outstanding contributions. Now, therefore be it resolved that Officer Mark Ransom is hereby commended for his diligent and valuable service. Mr. Gannon made a motion to approve the resolution and was seconded by Ms. Bandish. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 3-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, and Mr. Gannon in favor. Mr. Higgins was absent and Mr. Manero was absent at this time.

PUBLIC/WORKS/SEWER

a. National Public Works Week Resolution- ACTION- Ms. Bandish read the resolution declaring the week of May 16th through May 22rd as National Public Works Week. Ms. Bandish commended the Public Works employees for doing so much more than their jobs by going above and beyond every day. The department leadership and the employees are an integral part of this Township. Ms. Bandish made a motion to approve this resolution. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gannon. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 3-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, and Mr. Gannon in favor. Mr. Higgins was absent and Mr. Manero was absent at this time.

b. East Norriton Twp. Second Amendment to Sewer Agreement- Mr. Clarke read the agreement. Mr. Gannon made a motion to approve this agreement and was seconded by Ms. Bandish. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 3-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, and Mr. Gannon in favor. Mr. Higgins was absent and Mr. Manero was absent at this time.

c. Sewer Connection Request- 906 Whites Road- Ms. Bandish made a motion to approve the request to waive the Township's portion of the sewer connection fee for 906 Whites Road. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gannon. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 3-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, and Mr. Gannon in favor. Mr. Higgins was absent and Mr. Manero was absent at this time.

ENGINEERING

SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT

- a. L.D. 17-2 Conicelli Auto Group/906 Ridge Pike
 - 1) Expiration date August 20, 2021
- b. L.D. 18-4 SMG Hotels/201 Plymouth Road
 - 1) Expiration date July 30, 2021
- c. S.D. 20-2 Marchese/751 Belvoir Road
 - 1) Time Limit Waived
- d. S.D. James Piacitelli/1817 Hallowell Road/Andries Estate
 - 1) Expiration date July 1, 2021
- e. L.D. 21-1 Kelman and Magliari Realty, LLC/2070 Butler Pike
 - 1) Expiration date June 30, 2021
- f. L.D. Todd Samms/317 W. Ridge Pike
 - 1) Expiration date July 4, 2021
- g. S.D. 21-2 Talarium LLC/1234 Butler Pike
 - 1) Extension requested to September 7, 2021- ACTION- Ms. Bandish made a motion to approve this extension request and was seconded by Mr. Gannon. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 3-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, and Mr. Gannon in favor. Mr. Higgins was absent and Mr. Manero was absent at this time.

CONDITIONALLY APPROVED PROJECTS NOT YET RECORDED

- a. Extension Requests- ACTION-
 - 1) Cold Point Village Station to July 31, 2021- Ms. Bramblett made a motion to approve this extension request and was seconded by Ms. Bandish. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 3-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, and Mr. Gannon in favor. Mr. Higgins was absent and Mr. Manero was absent at this time.

PROJECTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION

- a. Escrow Releases- ACTION-
 - 2) 135 Pleasant Road- Mr. Gannon stated this communication is from Woodrow & Associates, stating sufficient work has been completed to release \$21,449. Mr. Gannon made a motion to approve and was seconded by Ms. Bandish. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 3-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, and Mr. Gannon in favor. Mr. Higgins was absent and Mr. Manero was absent at this time.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

ZONING

a. **Zoning Hearings-** Mr. Gannon announced that the Zoning Hearing Board of Plymouth Township will hold a meeting via Zoom on Monday, May 17, 2021, commencing at 7:00 p.m., on the following applications: 1) Faahud Yafal- 102 Chancery Place, 2) Anthony & Caitlin Altomare- 1806 Gravers Road, and 3) Silver Springs - Martin Luther School DBA Gemma Services- 512 Township Line 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

a. **Plymouth Township Day Announcement-** Saturday, June 12th- 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. - Ms. Bramblett announced that Plymouth Township Day will be held on Saturday, June 12th from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at East Plymouth Valley Park.

b. **Service and Devotion Monument Bricks & Pavers-** Ms. Bandish announced that there are currently bricks and pavers available for purchase for those who want to honor a loved one who has served in the armed forces or emergency services.

MISCELLANEOUS/OLD BUSINESS

a. **Citizen Board Vacancy Announcement-** Mr. Gannon stated the following citizen board positions are open: three positions on the Property Maintenance Code Appeals Board, one on the Historical Architectural Review Board, and one on the Human Relations Commission. Anyone interested in serving on one of these boards can submit a resume or letter of interest to Karen Weiss, the Township Manager.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Carol Betham- 519 Old Elm St- wanted to know the status regarding the stop sign on New Elm & Light St. Chief Myrsiades stated he will look into this. Ms. Betham also asked about the sewer subsidy discussed months ago. Mr. Clarke explained some residents' sewage flows to the Conshohocken sewer plant and how they charge Plymouth Township for treating that sewage.

Matthew Martin- 13 Blue Ridge Rd- stated with Chemical Road being closed, people are speeding on Sierra and Blue Ridge Road.

Ms. Bandish stated she has been working with the Police Department for more Police presence.

Ben Eagens- 14 Blue Ridge- stated he seconds everything that was stated by Mr. Martin. Mr. Eagens stated it's hard to get out of his driveway because of people speeding. Mr. Eagens stated he noticed that police activity has increased. Chief Myrsiades stated he did perform a study and is happy to meet with neighbors to find a solution. Mr. Manero suggested more signage for the road closure on Chemical Road. Chief Myrsiades stated he can request it from PENNDOT.

Rick Schickling- 111 Boulder Rd- agreed with the speeding in the neighborhood. Also, Mr. Schickling asked if the signal times could be changed at Ridge and Butler Pike due to vehicles getting too much green time on Ridge Pike. Chief Myrsiades stated he believes PENNDOT handles that, however they will not proceed until a traffic study is completed.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Regular Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Annalisa Primus
Recording Secretary