

PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP

REGULAR MEETING

October 11, 2021

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

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

Staff: Karen Weiss ----- Manager
Michael Clarke ----- Solicitor
Alex Glassman ----- Solicitor's Office
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 Chairman Manero led the Pledge of Allegiance.

6:30 p.m. - Liquor License Transfer Hearing

PUBLIC COMMENT

Recognition- Lori Flannery- Ms. Bandish read the recognition for Lori Flannery, an enthusiastic ten-year-old Plymouth Meeting softball player, who recently won the regional Pitch Hit and Run competition at Citizen's Bank Park. Whereas, Lori Flannery, who plays locally for the Whitemarsh Girls Softball League, not only won the competition, but her score was one of the top three in the nation earning her a trip to compete in the Pitch Hit and Run finals that will be held during Game 4 of Major League Baseball's World Series at the end of October, and whereas, Lori Flannery is one of only three youngsters in the United States to have this exciting once in a lifetime chance. Now therefore, be it resolved, Plymouth Township Council congratulates Lori Flannery for her dedication, hard work, and high achievement, and wishes her all the best for great success in all of her future endeavors. Ms. Bramblett made a motion to approve this recognition and was seconded by Mr. Gannon. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, and Mr. Manero in favor.

30 Years of Service Resolution- Jeffrey O'Brien- ACTION- Mr. Gannon read the resolution recognizing Jeffrey O'Brien for his generous and outstanding service and contributions rendered while serving in the Police Department since August 19, 1991, thereby completing 20 years of service. Council extends its appreciation to Jeffrey O'Brien who served with commitment and dedication. Plymouth Township Council desires to recognize the diligent and valuable service rendered by Jeffrey O'Brien. 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 5-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, and Mr. Manero in favor.

20 Years of Service Resolution- Kenny Rivers- ACTION- Ms. Bandish read the resolution recognizing Kenny Rivers for his generous and outstanding service and contributions rendered while serving in the Public Works Department since October 4, 2001, thereby completing 20 years of service. Council extends its appreciation to Kenny Rivers who served with commitment and dedication. Plymouth Township Council desires to recognize the diligent and valuable service rendered by Kenny Rivers. 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 Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, and Mr. Manero in favor.

ANNOUNCEMENT- Executive Session held October 5, 2021

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

- a. Workshop Meeting ----- September 8, 2021
- b. Regular Meeting ----- September 14, 2021
- c. Special Meeting ----- September 17, 2021

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

APPROVAL OF DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS AND BILLS: Chairman 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. Bandish. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, and Mr. Manero in favor.

ADMINISTRATION

- a. 2022 Budget Meetings- October 18th, October 25th, November 15th-
6:00 p.m. -

Mr. Manero announced the Budget Meeting dates as follows: October 18th at 6:00 p.m., October 25th at 6:00 p.m., and November 15th at 6:00 p.m.

b. Pension Fund- Allocation of 2021 State Check- ACTION- Mr. Gannon reported that the Township received a check from the State in the amount of \$757,970.65 to help fund the Township Pension Plans. The allocation for 2021 is \$412,566.30 for the Police Pension Plan and \$345,404.35 for the Non-Uniformed Plan. Mr. Gannon made a motion to approve this and was seconded by Mr. Higgins. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, and Mr. Manero in favor.

c. Pension Fund- Minimum Municipal Obligation for 2022- ACTION- Ms. Bandish said the actuary has determined the Township shall contribute \$1,165,413 to the Police Pension Plan and \$708,913 to the Civilian Pension Plan. The actuary is also recommending that we budget revenue of \$767,565 for the anticipated State Pension Aid in 2022. The net pension cost to the Township for both pension plans in 2022 will therefore be \$1,106,761. This represents a decrease of \$716,081 from the 2021 contribution. Ms. Bandish made a motion to approve this and was seconded by Ms. Bramblett. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, and Mr. Manero in favor.

d. Police Pension Resolution- ACTION- Ms. Bramblett made a motion to approve the resolution establishing the contribution rate for the police officers at 3% for 2022 as recommended by the Township Actuary. The motion was seconded by Ms. Bandish. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, and Mr. Manero in favor.

e. Township Campus Renovation Project Bid Awards- Mr. Higgins made a motion to reject all remaining general contractor bids and was seconded by Ms. Bramblett. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, and Mr. Manero in favor.

Mr. Higgins made a motion to award the electrical bid to Wind Gap in the amount of \$3,767,700 and was seconded by Ms. Bandish. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, and Mr. Manero in favor.

Mr. Gannon made a motion to re-bid the general contractor portion of the project and was seconded by Ms. Bramblett. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, and Mr. Manero in favor.

PUBLIC/WORKS/SEWER

ENGINEERING

SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT

- a. **L.D. 17-2 Conicelli Auto Group/906 Ridge Pike**
 - 1) Expiration date February 20, 2022
- b. **L.D. 18-4 SMG Hotels/201 Plymouth Road**
 - 1) Extension granted to January 31, 2022- **ACTION-** Mr. Higgins made a motion to approve this extension request and was seconded by Ms. Bramblett. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, and Mr. Manero in favor.
- c. **S.D. 20-2 Marchese/751 Belvoir Road**
 - 1) Time Limit Waived
- d. **S.D. James Piacitelli/1817 Hallowell Road/Andries Estate**
 - 1) Extension granted to November 30, 2021- **ACTION-** Mr. Manero made a motion to approve this extension request and was seconded by Mr. Gannon. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, and Mr. Manero in favor.
- e. **L.D. 21-1 Kelman and Magliari Realty, LLC/2070 Butler Pike**
 - 1) Extension granted to December 31, 2021- **ACTION-** Ms. Bandish made a motion to approve this extension request and was seconded by Ms. Bramblett. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, and Mr. Manero in favor.
- f. **L.D. 21-4 Craft Custom Homes. LLC/2622 Butler Pike**
 - 1) Expiration date November 30, 2021
- g. **L.D. 21-5 Plymouthis II- Fairfield and Sandy Hill Road**
 - 1) Expiration date November 16, 2021

CONDITIONALLY APPROVED PROJECTS NOT YET RECORDED

- a. **Extension Requests- ACTION-**
 - 1) **Tammaro Fairfield Road to May 7, 2022-** Mr. Gannon made a motion to approve this extension request and was seconded by Ms. Bandish. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, and Mr. Manero in favor.
 - 2) **1234 Butler Pike to December 31, 2021-** 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 5-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, and Mr. Manero in favor.
 - 3) **Wawa Parking Lot Expansion to December 31, 2021-** Mr. Gannon made a motion to approve this extension request and was seconded by Ms. Bramblett.

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

PROJECTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION

a. Escrow Releases- ACTION-

1) **Proving Grounds-** Mr. Gannon stated this communication is from Woodrow & Associates, stating sufficient work has been completed to release \$1,156,206.71. Mr. Gannon made a motion and was seconded by Ms. Bandish. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, and Mr. Manero in favor.

2) **1927 Hallowell Sewer Escrow-** Mr. Manero stated this request is from Thomas Pillion, and approved by Allen Mason, stating sufficient work has been completed to release \$8,923.75. Mr. Manero made a motion and was seconded by Ms. Bramblett. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, and Mr. Manero in favor.

3) **Amazon-** Mr. Gannon stated this communication is from Woodrow & Associates, stating sufficient work has been completed to release \$1,359,500.27. Mr. Gannon made a motion and was seconded by Mr. Higgins. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, Mr. Gannon, Mr. Higgins, and Mr. Manero in favor.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

ZONING

a. Zoning Hearings- Ms. Bandish announced that the Zoning Hearing Board of Plymouth Township will hold a public hearing on Monday, October 18, 2021, commencing at 7:00 p.m., on the following applications: 1) Alisa Duffey Rogers, AICP, Zoning Resources (Brixmor Plymouth Square LLC) and 2) North Star Construction Management, Inc. (PAMCPA Real Estate LLLP). Any citizen of Plymouth Township or interested party may attend the public hearing and have an opportunity to be heard.

PARKS AND RECREATION

a. Veteran's Day Announcement- Wednesday, November 10th- 2:00 p.m.
- Ms. Bramblett announced that a Veterans' Recognition Ceremony will be held at the Service and Devotion Monument at the GPCC on Wednesday, November 10th beginning at 2:00 p.m.

b. Holiday Tree Lighting Announcement- Wednesday, December 1st- 6:00 p.m. - Mr. Manero announced that the Holiday Tree Lighting will be held on Wednesday, December 1st beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Mr. Manero also stated that the holiday house lighting contest will be taking place this year.

c. **2022 GPCC Pass Rates-** Ms. Bramblett announced there will be an increase for the GPCC pass rates for 2022.

MISCELLANEOUS/OLD BUSINESS

a. **Citizen Board Vacancy Announcement-** Mr. Higgins 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

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Regular Meeting was adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Annalisa Primus
Recording Secretary