

PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP

REGULAR MEETING

January 10, 2022

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
Kathy Bandish
Lynne Viscio
Nicholas Whitney

Staff: Karen Weiss ----- Manager
Mike Clarke ----- Solicitor
Lonnie Manai ----- Woodrow & Associates
John Myrsiades ----- Chief of Police

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

PUBLIC COMMENT- There was no public comment pertaining to any items advertised on the agenda.

20 Years of Service Resolution- Kyle Wilhelm- ACTION- Ms. Bramblett read the resolution recognizing Kyle Wilhelm for his generous and outstanding service and contributions rendered while serving in the Police Department since January 7, 2002, thereby completing 20 years of service. Council extends its appreciation to Kyle Wilhelm who served with commitment and dedication. Plymouth Township Council desires to recognize the diligent and valuable service rendered by Kyle Wilhelm. Ms. Bramblett 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, Ms. Viscio, Mr. Whitney, and Mr. Manero in favor.

Recognition- Detective Jeffery McGee- ACTION- Mr. Manero read the recognition for Detective Jeffery McGee, detailed to the Federal Bureau of Investigation from 2015 until 2017 and assigned to the FBI Violent Crime Task Force, for the investigation and arrest of a suspect nicknamed by law enforcement as the "Straw Hat Bandit", who committed a series of eleven armed bank robberies including the Wells Fargo Bank located in Plymouth Township; and by the United States Attorney's Office for the investigation and arrest of an organized criminal gang responsible for a series of armed robberies that occurred throughout Southeastern Pennsylvania.

Now, therefore be it resolved that Detective Jeffery McGee be commended for his investigative skills and dedication that led to him being honored by the US Attorney's Office for two distinct investigations. Mr. Manero made a motion to approve this recognition and was seconded by Mr. Whitney. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, Ms. Viscio, Mr. Whitney, and Mr. Manero in favor.

Recognition- Officer David Phillips- ACTION- Ms. Viscio read the recognition for Officer David Phillips, who was selected and recognized as the tactical Officer of the Year by the Montgomery County SWAT-Central Region Team which covers Plymouth Township. Officer David Phillips has been a member of the SWAT Team since 2006, serving with the Colonial Team until its merger with Montgomery County SWAT-Central Region in 2009. Officer David Phillips was initially selected as a tactical sniper until he took on a leadership position and was promoted to Sniper Element Leader in 2015. Officer David Phillips, through his hard work, dedication and ability was the recipient of the 2021 Lt. Joseph P. Rosko SWAT Officer of the Year Award. Now, therefore be it resolved that Officer David Phillips be commended for his hard work and dedication to the Montgomery County SWAT-Central Region Team; as well as to the citizens of Plymouth Township and Montgomery County. Ms. Viscio made a motion to approve this recognition and was seconded by Ms. Bramblett. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, Ms. Viscio, Mr. Whitney, and Mr. Manero in favor.

ANNOUNCEMENT- Executive Session held January 4, 2022

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

- a. Workshop Meeting ----- December 6, 2021
- b. Regular Meeting ----- December 13, 2021

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

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

Mr. Whitney made a motion to approve the departmental reports and bills. The motion was seconded by Ms. Bramblett. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, Ms. Viscio, Mr. Whitney, and Mr. Manero in favor.

ADMINISTRATION

a. **Deputy Tax Collector Appointment Resolution- ACTION-** Ms. Bramblett made a motion to approve this resolution authorizing Berkheimer as Deputy Tax Collector. The motion was seconded by Ms. Bandish. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, Ms. Viscio, Mr. Whitney, and Mr. Manero in favor.

b. **H.A. Berkheimer Agreement- Real Estate Tax Collection- ACTION-** Mr. Clarke stated this agreement is between Plymouth Township and H.A. Berkheimer. The Township agrees to compensate and reimburse Berkheimer for all of their services. Ms. Bramblett made a motion to approve this agreement and was seconded by Ms. Viscio. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, Ms. Viscio, Mr. Whitney, and Mr. Manero in favor.

c. **Liquor Licenses Fee Resolution- ACTION-** Ms. Bandish made a motion to approve this resolution and was seconded by Ms. Viscio. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, Ms. Viscio, Mr. Whitney, and Mr. Manero in favor.

d. **General Construction Bid Award- Rycon Construction Inc.-** Mr. Manero made a motion to award the general construction bid to Rycon Construction Inc. in the amount of \$8,752,800 and was seconded by Ms. Bramblett. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, Ms. Viscio, Mr. Whitney, and Mr. Manero in favor.

e. **Construction Testing Services- David Blackmore & Assoc.- ACTION-** This item was tabled from the agenda.

POLICE/PUBLIC SAFETY

PUBLIC/WORKS/SEWER

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

b. **Liquid Fuels Authorization Expenditure Resolution- ACTION-** Ms. Bandish made a motion to approve the resolution listing the authorized expenditures of liquid fuel tax money and was seconded by Mr. Whitney. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, Ms. Viscio, Mr. Whitney, and Mr. Manero in favor.

ENGINEERING

Mr. Manai gave an update on the Butler Pike sidewalk that needed to be replaced due to the sanitary sewer tie in. Mr. Manai stated they poured the concrete on Friday and it is finished.

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 June 30, 2022- ACTION- Ms. Viscio made a motion to approve this extension and was seconded by Ms. Bandish. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, Ms. Viscio, Mr. Whitney, and Mr. Manero in favor.
 - c. S.D. 20-2 Marchese/751 Belvoir Road
 - 1) Time Limit Waived
 - d. L.D. 21-1 Kelman and Magliari Realty, LLC/2070 Butler Pike
 - 1) Expiration date March 30, 2022
 - e. L.D. 21-4 Craft Custom Homes, LLC/2622 Butler Pike
 - 1) Extension granted to March 31, 2022- ACTION- Ms. Viscio 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 Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, Ms. Viscio, Mr. Whitney, and Mr. Manero in favor.
 - f. L.D. 21-5 Plymouhtowne II- Fairfield and Sandy Hill Road
 - 1) Expiration date February 14, 2022
 - g. L.D. 21-6 107 Ridge Pike FWOT/Craig Flaxman
 - 1) Extension granted to March 21, 2022- ACTION- Ms. Bandish made a motion to approve this extension and was seconded by Mr. Whitney. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, Ms. Viscio, Mr. Whitney, and Mr. Manero in favor.
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CONDITIONALLY APPROVED PROJECTS NOT YET RECORDED

- a. Extension Requests- ACTION-
 - 1) JP Morgan Chase Bank- 317 Ridge Pike to January 31, 2022- Ms. Bandish made a motion to approve this extension request and was seconded by Ms. Viscio. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, Ms. Viscio, Mr. Whitney, and Mr. Manero in favor.
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PROJECTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION

- a. Escrow Releases- ACTION-

1) 1103-1113 Ridge Pike- Mr. Whitney stated this communication is from Woodrow & Associates, stating sufficient work has been completed to release \$193,732.30. Mr. Whitney 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, Ms. Viscio, Mr. Whitney, and Mr. Manero in favor.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

a. **Traisr Software Proposal-** Mr. Clarke read the proposal from Traisr Software for asset management software, to be used by the Code Enforcement Department. Ms. Bramblett made a motion to approve this proposal and was seconded by Mr. Whitney. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bramblétt, Ms. Bandish, Ms. Viscio, Mr. Whitney, and Mr. Manero in favor.

ZONING

a. **Zoning Hearings-** Ms. Bramblett announced that the Zoning Hearing Board of Plymouth Township will hold a public hearing on Monday, January 17, 2022, commencing at 7:00 p.m., on the following applications: 1) Logan Dry, 2) Steven Costa, and 3) James P. Scopis. Any citizen of Plymouth Township or interested party may attend the public hearing and have an opportunity to be heard.

PARKS AND RECREATION

a. **Service and Devotion Monument Bricks and Pavers-** Ms. Bramblett 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. Whitney stated the following citizen board positions are open: three positions on the Property Maintenance Code Appeals Board, one on the Historical Architectural Review Board, one on the East Norriton-Plymouth-Whitpain Joint Sewer Authority Board, and one on the Environmental Advisory Board. Anyone interested in serving on one of these boards can submit a resume or letter of interest to Karen Weiss, the Township Manager.

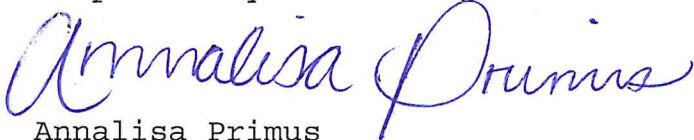
b. **EAB Appointment- ACTION-** Ms. Bramblett stated there is an opening on the Environmental Advisory Board and she would like to make a motion to appoint Ms. Trish McArthur to fill that position and was seconded by Ms. Viscio. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Bramblett, Ms. Bandish, Ms. Viscio, Mr. Whitney, and Mr. Manero in favor.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Regular Meeting was adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Annalisa Primus
Recording Secretary