

PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP

REGULAR MEETING

April 15, 2024

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

Council:	Karen Bramblett -----	Chair
	Lynne Viscio -----	Vice-Chair
	Nicholas Whitney	
	Kristin Frederick Leonard	
	Aaron Nelson	@ 7:25
Staff:	Karen Weiss -----	Manager
	Mike Clarke -----	Solicitor
	Bob Jordan -----	Woodrow & Associates

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

Swearing in Harmonville Fire Police- Thomas Donovan- Ms. Bramblett presided over the swearing in of Thomas Donovan as Fire Police.

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

ANNOUNCEMENT- Executive Session held April 8, 2024

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Chairwoman Bramblett called for the approval of the minutes.

- a. Workshop Meeting ----- March 4, 2024
- b. Regular Meeting ----- March 11, 2024

Mr. Whitney made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Ms. Viscio. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Ms. Viscio, Mr. Whitney, Ms. Leonard, and Ms. Bramblett in favor. Mr. Nelson was absent.

APPROVAL OF DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS AND BILLS: Chairwoman Bramblett 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. Viscio. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Ms. Viscio, Mr. Whitney, Ms. Leonard, and Ms. Bramblett in favor. Mr. Nelson was absent.

ADMINISTRATION

a. Announcement- Town Hall Meeting Re: Plastic Bag Ban- May 29th 7:00 p.m. at GPCC- Mr. Whitney announced that there will be a town hall meeting regarding the plastic bag ban on May 29th at the GPCC commencing at 7:00 p.m. Any citizen of Plymouth Township or interested party may attend the public meeting and have an opportunity to be heard.

b. Motion for Default- Township Renovation Project- Mr. Clarke read the four motions for default regarding the Township renovation project:

1) Mechanical Contract- Myco Mechanical Inc. to be in default of the agreement dated January 24, 2022 due to its failure to deliver substantial completion of the project on or before 480 days after delivery of the notice to proceed. Ms. Viscio made a motion to approve this default and was seconded by Ms. Leonard. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Ms. Viscio, Mr. Whitney, Ms. Leonard, and Ms. Bramblett in favor. Mr. Nelson was absent.

2) Plumbing Contract- Myco Mechanical Inc. to be in default of the agreement dated January 24, 2022 due to its failure to deliver substantial completion of the project on or before 480 days after delivery of the notice to proceed. Ms. Viscio made a motion to approve this default and was seconded by Ms. Leonard. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Ms. Viscio, Mr. Whitney, Ms. Leonard, and Ms. Bramblett in favor. Mr. Nelson was absent.

3) Electrical Contract- Wind Gap Electric Inc. to be in default of the agreement dated January 24, 2022 due to its failure to deliver substantial completion of the project on or before 480 days after delivery of the notice to proceed. Mr. Whitney made a motion to approve this default and was seconded by Ms. Viscio. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Ms. Viscio, Mr. Whitney, Ms. Leonard, and Ms. Bramblett in favor. Mr. Nelson was absent.

4) General Contractor- Rycon Construction Inc. to be default of the settlement agreement dated March 15, 2024 due to its failure to deliver substantial completion of the project on or before March 14, 2024 and that Council void the settlement agreement. Mr. Whitney made a motion to approve this default and was seconded by Ms. Leonard. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Ms. Viscio, Mr. Whitney, Ms. Leonard, and Ms. Bramblett in favor. Mr. Nelson was absent.

Mr. Joe Prestia asked how much longer it would prolong the construction and how much more will it incur at the taxpayers' expense. Mr. Clarke stated they are hopeful that it will not extend the contract at all. It enables the Township to potential recover any liquidated damages at the end of the completion of the contract. Ms. Weiss stated they met substantial completion, but they did not meet final completion.

POLICE/PUBLIC SAFETY

a. Active Volunteer Real Estate Tax Rebate Ordinance- Final Consideration- ACTION- Mr. Clarke read the final consideration for the active volunteer real estate tax rebate ordinance. Ms. Viscio made a motion to approve this ordinance and was seconded by Ms. Leonard. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Ms. Viscio, Mr. Whitney, Ms. Leonard, and Ms. Bramblett in favor. Mr. Nelson was absent.

Ms. Carol Bethem asked if this is for firefighters. Ms. Bramblett stated yes, it is for Harmonville and Plymouth Fire Companies, as well as, our volunteer emergency medical services. Ms. Bethem asked if we have any other ambulance services besides Plymouth Ambulance. Ms. Bramblett stated no.

Mr. Shelly Simpson thanked Council for approving this ordinance.

PUBLIC/WORKS/SEWER

ENGINEERING

SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT

- a. L.D. 17-2 Conicelli Auto Group/906 Ridge Pike**
 - 1) Expiration date May 20, 2024
- b. L.D. 18-4 SMG Hotels/201 Plymouth Road**
 - 1) Expiration date December 31, 2024

- 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 December 31, 2024
- e. **L.D. 22-1 1508 Sandy Hill Road/Riverview Land Development**
 - 1) Expiration date July 15, 2024
- f. **L.D. 23-1 Plymouth Mtg. KPG III, LLC/502 W. Germantown Pike**
 - 1) Expiration date May 31, 2024
- g. **L.D. 23-2 Outback Steakhouse Rebuild/322 Ridge Pike**
 - 1) Extension granted to May 31, 2024- **ACTION-** Ms. Viscio made a motion to approve this extension and was seconded by Mr. Whitney. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Ms. Viscio, Mr. Whitney, Ms. Leonard, and Ms. Bramblett in favor. Mr. Nelson was absent.
- h. **L.D. 24-1 1402 Ridge Pike Associates, LLC/KIA Service Drive-Thru Garage**
 - 1) Time Limit Waived- **ACTION-** Mr. Whitney made a motion to approve this time limit waiver and was seconded by Ms. Viscio. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Ms. Viscio, Mr. Whitney, Ms. Leonard, and Ms. Bramblett in favor. Mr. Nelson was absent.

CONDITIONALLY APPROVED PROJECTS NOT YET RECORDED

PROJECTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION

CODE ENFORCEMENT

ZONING

a. Zoning Hearings- Ms. Viscio announced that the Zoning Hearing Board of Plymouth Township will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, April 23, 2024 commencing at 7:00 p.m., on the following applications: 1) Home Depot (Katie Fitzjarrald), 2) Joseph Austin, 3) Robert W and Randle M Roeder, 4) Rachael Inger & Michael Lewis, and 5) Pennsylvania Real Estate Investment Trust. Any citizen of Plymouth Township or interested party may attend the public hearing and have an opportunity to be heard.

PARKS AND RECREATION

a. Upcoming Events- Ms. Bramblett stated the following are upcoming events: Brad Fox Memorial Fishing Derby on Saturday, April 20th; Craft Your Own Pool Noodle Lightsaber on Friday, April 26th; Montgomery County Senior Games May 6th-10th; GPCC Health Fair on

Friday, May 3rd; Plymouth Township Day on Saturday, June 1st; Potluck Bingo on Thursday, June 13th; Plymouth & Whitpain Township Community Yard Sale on Saturday, June 15th; Summer Pool Party on Friday, June 21st; Save the Date for National Night Out on Tuesday, August 6th. Summer day camp, one-week specialty camp, and premium courses registration are open now. Ms. Bramblett stated sponsors for Plymouth Township Day, National Night Out, and spring programs are ongoing.

b. Save the Date- GPCC 25th Anniversary- Saturday, April 5, 2025- Ms. Leonard announced that the GPCC 25th Anniversary will be held on Saturday, April 5, 2025.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

MISCELLANEOUS/OLD BUSINESS

a. Citizen Board Vacancy Announcement- Ms. Leonard 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 Human Relations Commission, one alternate position on the Zoning Hearing Board, one on the Parks, Recreation & Shade Tree Advisory Board, and one on the Civil Services Commission. Anyone interested in serving on one of these boards can submit a resume or letter of interest to Karen Weiss, the Township Manager.

b. Citizen Board Appointment- Parks, Recreation & Shade Tree Advisory Board- Ms. Viscio made a motion to appoint David Grunfeld to the Parks, Recreation & Shade Tree Advisory Board. The motion was seconded by Mr. Whitney. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0 with Ms. Viscio, Mr. Whitney, Ms. Leonard, and Ms. Bramblett in favor. Mr. Nelson was absent.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Ms. Carol Bethem asked if the fire service fee is just for the fire companies. Ms. Bramblett stated yes. Ms. Bethem asked if the Township gave money to Plymouth Ambulance this year. Ms. Weiss stated we would be. Ms. Bethem asked how much. Ms. Weiss stated she was not sure on the exact amount, but it will be around \$65,000. Ms. Bethem asked if the Township would audit them since they had a mishandling of money several years ago. Ms. Weiss stated she can request a copy if she likes. Ms. Bethem asked on her tax bill it states 72 mills, what does that mean?

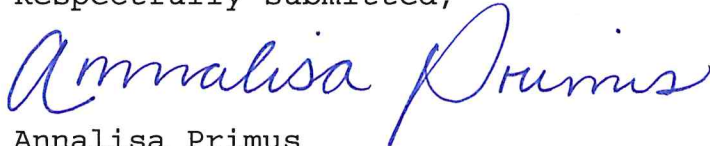
Ms. Weiss stated everyone has an assessment of their property-it means the fire service fee costs 7.2 cents per \$100 of assessed value.

Ms. Patti Smith stated she is asking for a status regarding the sidewalk connecting Connaughtown to Conshohocken. Ms. Bramblett stated they are still investigating this matter.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Respectfully submitted,



Annalisa Primus
Recording Secretary