

PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP

REGULAR MEETING

April 14, 2025

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

Council: Karen Bramblett ----- Chair
Lynne Viscio ----- Vice-Chair
Kristin Frederick Leonard
Nicholas Whitney
Aaron Nelson

Staff: Matt West ----- Township Manager
Mike Clarke ----- Township Solicitor
John Myrsiades ----- Chief of Police
Lonnie Manai ----- Woodrow & Associates

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** - The Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. and Chairwoman Bramblett led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

3. **ANNOUNCEMENTS -**

- A. Executive Session held April 7, 2025
- B. Executive Session held April 14, 2025

4. **ACTION ITEMS -**

A. **Motion to adopt Resolution 2025-21: Recognition of Dr. Paulette Jones for service on the Civil Service Commission-** Ms. Leonard read the resolution recognizing Dr. Paulette Jones for her generous and outstanding service and contributions rendered while serving on the Civil Service Commission from January 2018 through February 2025. Council extends its appreciation to Dr. Paulette Jones who served with commitment and dedication. Ms. Leonard made a motion to approve this resolution and was seconded by Mr. Whitney. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Viscio, Mr. Whitney, Ms. Leonard, Mr. Nelson, and Ms. Bramblett in favor.

B. Motion to approve the meeting minutes of March 3, 2025, Workshop meeting, and March 10, 2025, Business meeting of Township Council - Ms. Bramblett made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Nelson. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Viscio, Mr. Whitney, Ms. Leonard, Mr. Nelson, and Ms. Bramblett in favor.

C. Motion to approve March 2025 departments reports and schedule of bills - Ms. Bramblett made a motion to approve the departmental reports and bills. The motion was seconded by Mr. Whitney. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Viscio, Mr. Whitney, Ms. Leonard, Mr. Nelson, and Ms. Bramblett in favor.

D. Motion to approve Municipal Building Renovation Project Change Order- Wind Gap Electrical - Mr. Nelson made a motion to approve the municipal building renovation project change order for Wind Gap Electric totaling \$13,550.59 and was seconded by Ms. Viscio. The motion was seconded by Mr. Whitney. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Viscio, Mr. Whitney, Ms. Leonard, Mr. Nelson, and Ms. Bramblett in favor.

E. Motion to award bid for Pedestrian Signal at New Elm and Light Streets - Mr. Whitney made a motion to accept the bid of Lenni Electric Corporation, in the amount of \$123,201.00 for the pedestrian signal at New Elm and Light Streets. The motion was seconded by Ms. Leonard. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0 with Ms. Viscio, Mr. Whitney, Ms. Leonard, Mr. Nelson, and Ms. Bramblett in favor.

5. INFORMATION ITEMS -

A. Town Hall Meeting - Traffic Calming in the Township - April 30th, 2025, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Township Building- Ms. Viscio announced that the Township will hold a town hall meeting on Wednesday, April 30th from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Township Building regarding traffic calming in the Township. Chief Myrsiades stated that the Police Department has intensified its initiative regarding traffic enforcements and stops.

B. Town Hall Meeting- Plymouth Police Department- A Review of Our Achievements and A Look Ahead- May 17th, 2025, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Greater Plymouth Community Center- Ms. Viscio announced the Police Department will hold a town hall meeting on May 17th from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Greater Plymouth Community Center regarding the 2024 year review and look ahead plan for 2025 and beyond.

Chief Myrsiades indicated that this town hall will provide a thorough review as well as a forward-looking perspective, with the expectation that the meeting will encourage interaction.

C. Citizen Board Vacancy Announcement- Ms. Bramblett stated the following citizen board positions are open: three positions on the Property Maintenance Code Appeals 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 Matt West, the Township Manager, at 700 Belvoir Road Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462 or via email to, mwest@plymouthtownship.org.

D. Upcoming Zoning Hearings- Mr. Nelson announced that the Zoning Hearing Board of Plymouth Township will hold a public hearing on Monday, April 21, 2025, commencing at 7:00 p.m., on the following applications: 1) Ley Kuouch- 101 Hilltop Road- Variance and Michael Andrew- 123 Scarlet Drive- Variance. Any citizen of Plymouth Township or interested party may attend the public hearing and have an opportunity to be heard.

E. PARKS AND RECREATION

i. Upcoming Events- Ms. Viscio stated the following are upcoming events: free personal training sessions with annual pass purchase are ongoing. Ms. Bramblett stated to stop by the GPCC to see the Elmwood Park Zoo & Plymouth Township Jaguar. Montgomery County Senior Games are Monday, May 5th to Friday, May 9th; GPCC Health Fair (Roxborough School of Nursing) will be at the GPCC on Monday May 5th to Friday May 9th; Brine & Shine Pickleball Tournament is May 3rd; Star Wars Night on May 9th; Summer Day camp and one week specialty camps registration is ongoing; Plymouth Township Day on Saturday, May 31st; Pride Flag Raising on Monday, June 2nd starting at 8:30 a.m. at the GPCC; Community Yard Sale with Whitpain Township on Saturday, June 14th; Save the Date for National Night Out on Tuesday, August 5th. Ms. Bramblett stated ongoing sponsorship is available for Plymouth Township Day, National Night Out, and Summer Programs. For further information, please visit the Greater Plymouth Community Center's website or by calling (610) 277-4312.

F. Connaughtown Update- Ms. Leonard gave an update on the following projects:

1. *Crosswalk-* On March 14th Carroll Engineering posted the project to PennBid with a bid opening date scheduled for March 31, 2025. On March 31st the bid opening date.

Carroll Engineering forwarded the bid tabulation to the Township and recommended the Township consider awarding the project to the lowest qualified bidder in the amount of \$123,201.00. The bid tabulation will be discussed at the April 7th Council Workshop Meeting. On April 7th Council reviewed the bid tabulation for the project and will be considering taking action to approve the bid at the April 14th Council Business Meeting.

2. *Guiderail*- On April 9th Carrol Engineering emailed PennDOT for a status update on the guiderail installation.

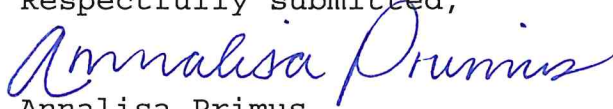
3. *Speed Reduction Measures*- Council and staff have scheduled a public Town Hall meeting for Wednesday, April 30th, 2025. The meeting will be held at the Township Building and will be from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The meeting is expected to be organized into three components: *Educational*- a presentation by the Township's traffic engineer providing an overview of traffic calming. This could include its intended purpose, different traffic calming measures, and the pros and cons of each approach, *Informational*- a staff update on the Township's process for residents to request an evaluation of their streets for potential traffic calming solutions, and *Feedback*- an opportunity for residents to share their thoughts and concerns based on the information presented in the first two sections.

4. *General Updates*- The February/March 2025 update was posted to the Township website.

6. **AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION** - Chief Myrsiades expressed his gratitude for the additional officers Council authorized in the 2025 Budget, which has enabled the department to increase proactive efforts. They executed 151 directed patrols, incorporated crime mapping on their crime watch platform, had 41 social service follow-ups, issued violations for bus stops, and initiated an anti-bullying program which was sent out to the Colonial School District.

7. **ADJOURNMENT** - There being no further business, the Regular Meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Annalisa Primus
Recording Secretary