

TOWNSHIP OF RADNOR
Minutes of the Meeting of October 8, 2018

The Radnor Township Board of Commissioners met at approximately 6:30 PM in the Radnorshire Room in the Radnor Township Municipal Building, 301 Iven Avenue, Wayne, PA 19087

Commissioners Present

<i>Lisa Borowski, President</i>	<i>Luke Clark, Vice-President (arrived at 7:50 PM),</i>	<i>Jake Abel</i>
<i>Richard Booker</i>	<i>Jack Larkin</i>	<i>John Nagle</i>
		<i>Sean Farhy</i>

Also Present: *Robert A. Zienkowski, Township Manager/Township Secretary; John Rice, Esq., Township Solicitor; William White, Assistant Township Manager/Finance Director; Christopher Flanagan, Superintendent of Police; Steve Norcini, Township Engineer; Steve McNelis, Public Works Director; Kevin Kochanski, Director of Community Development; Amy Kaminski, Traffic Engineer and Jennifer DeStefano, Executive Assistant to the Township Manager.*

President Borowski called the meeting to order and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance

Notice of Executive Session preceding the Board of Commissioners meeting of October 8, 2018

There was an Executive Session on October 8, 2018 where matters of Real Estate and Personnel were discussed.

Commissioner Borowski thanked the Township staff for their hard work during the Harvest Festival.

1. Consent Agenda

a) Disbursement Review & Approval

b) Approval of minutes of the Board of Commissioner meeting September 24, 2018

c) HARB

- *HARB-2018-05 – 309 Midland Avenue – Demolish Garage and building new garage. Continued from the September 5, 2018 meeting.*
 - *HARB-2018-08 – 224 Upland Way – Enclose existing rear/side porch.*
- *HARB-2018-09 – 108 Owens Lane – Take down existing garage entirely and re-build a new masonry/wood frame garage.*
- d) *Resolution #2018-106 – Acknowledging the Receipt and Accounting of the 2018 State Pension Aid, in the amount of \$726,080.22*
- e) *Resolution #2018-107 – Authorizing the purchase and installation of security cameras for the Brookside Parking Lot of the Radnor Trail, in the amount of \$12,949*
- f) *Resolution #2018-105 - Approving the Disposition of Specific Township Records*
- g) *Resolution #2018-108 - Award of Contract for Line Striping of Township Roads to Guidemark, Incorporated*
 - h) *Motion to Authorize to receive sealed bids for gasoline and diesel fuel*
- i) *Resolution #2018-109 – Engaging JJ White, Incorporated for the replacement of a Township Building Water Source Heat Pump at a price of \$12,000*
- j) *Resolution #2018-110 - Authorization for the Engineering Department to Receive Sealed Bids for the Conestoga Road Tunnel Lighting Project*

Commissioner Abel made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Farhy. Motion passed 6-0 with Commissioner Clark absent.

Superintendent Flanagan asked for everyone to rise for the Presentation of the Colors

2. Recognition of Retired Radnor Police Officers

Mr. Zienkowski presented a shadowbox memento to Retired Deputy Superintendent Andy Block for his years of service in the Radnor Police Department.

Superintendent Flanagan presented Retired Police Officers Wood Heneks and Charlie Yespelkis with a memento in honor of their retirement from the Radnor Police Department.

3. Recognition of Radnor Police Officer

Lieutenant Dietrich presented Officer Mark Bates with a Certificate of Recognition for an incident on Lancaster Avenue which involved a Pedestrian being struck by a vehicle.

4. Public Participation - Individual comment shall be limited to not more than five (5) minutes per Board policy

Sara Pilling, Garrett Avenue – She spoke regarding climate change.

5. Committee Reports

PERSONNEL & ADMINISTRATION

A. Conditional Offer of Employment to Five (5) Potential Radnor Township Police Officers

Commissioner Abel made a motion to approve the following Irvin Faust; Thomas Kester; Michael Grimm; Nicholas DeMayo; William Meyer, seconded by Commissioner Farhy.

Commissioner Abel spoke regarding him attending a few of the interviews for the candidates above and thanked staff. There was a brief discussion among Commissioner Booker and Staff clarifying that the five new officers were replacing retired officer positions and that they were not being hired for special assignments.

Commissioner Borowski called the vote, motion passed 6-0 with Commissioner Clark absent.

B. Promotions within the Radnor Township Police Department

Superintendent Flanagan gave a brief bio of Officer Christopher Gluck and Daniel Lunger which were before the Board for Promotion to Sergeant.

Commissioner Farhy made a motion to approve the promotions of Officers Christopher Gluck and Daniel Lunger to Sergeant, seconded by Commissioner Larkin. Motion passed 6-0 with Commissioner Clark absent.

The Honorable Ann Osborne administered the Oath of Office to Sergeant Christopher Gluck and Sergeant Daniel V. Lunger accompanied by family members of the Officers.

The Colors were Retired

C. *Willows Park Mansion Project & Willows Park Preserve Update*

D. *Resolution #2018-81 – Engaging Gannett Fleming Valuation and Rate Consultants LLC to serve as Asset Evaluation and Consultant and Engineer as it relates to the exploration and discussion of the Township’s Sanitary Sewer System*

Commissioner Nagle made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Larkin.

There was a in depth discussion amongst the Commissioners and staff.

Commissioner Larkin made a motion to table until after item E on the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Booker. Motion passed 6-0 with Commissioner Clark absent.

E. *Resolution #2018-111 - Engaging PFM Financial Advisors, LLC to serve as Independent Process Consultant and Financial Advisor as it relates to the exploration and discussion of the Township’s Sanitary Sewer System*

Commissioner Nagle made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Larkin.

Mr. White and representatives from PFM briefly explained the above resolution. There was an in-depth discussion amongst the Commissioners, staff and representative of PFM.

Public Comment

Jane Galli, 7th Ward – She commented regarding the need to not ignore the sewers anymore and supports the above resolution to evaluate the system.

Kelly Martin, 7th Ward – She is not in support of selling the sewer system but if staff believes the valuation needs to be completed to determine what needs attention she is in support of that.

Commissioner Borowski called the vote, motion failed 5-2 with Commissioners Borowski and Nagle in favor.

CONTINUED - Resolution #2018-81 – Engaging Gannett Fleming Valuation and Rate Consultants LLC to serve as Asset Evaluation and Consultant and Engineer as it relates to the exploration and discussion of the Township’s Sanitary Sewer System

The original motion for resolution #2018-81 is above in the original discussion item. There was an in-depth discussion amongst the Commissioners and staff.

Commissioner Booker made a motion to withdraw resolution 2018-81, seconded by Commissioner Clark. Motion passed 5-2 with Commissioners Farhy and Nagle opposed.

FINANCE & AUDIT

F. 2019 Budget Calendar – Board to provide any special meeting dates

Mr. White reviewed the proposed 2019 Budget Calendar. It was agreed to have additional Budget meetings on October 29th and November 19th.

G. Resolution #2018-112 – Authorizing the reduction of Police Officer contributions to their pension plan from 5% to 3% for the calendar year 2018 for Officers hired before January 1, 2013

Commissioner Larkin made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Clark.

Mr. White, Assistant Township Manager and Finance Director explained the resolution. There was an in-depth discussion amongst the Commissioners and staff.

Commissioner Borowski called the vote, motion passed 6-1 with Commissioner Booker opposed.

H. Ordinance #2018-12 – [Introduction] Amending the Police Pension Ordinance

Commissioner Larkin made a motion to introduce, seconded by Commissioner Farhy. Motion passed 6-1 with Commissioner Booker opposed.

I. Ordinance #2018-11 – [Adoption] Amending Chapters §235 and §246 of the Township Code combining the Sanitary Sewer Rent and Stormwater Fee, decreasing the Sanitary Sewer Rent interest, and extending the payment period from April 1 to May 31

Commissioner Nagle made a motion to adopt, seconded by Commissioner Larkin. Motion passed 6-1 with Commissioner Booker opposed.

PUBLIC WORKS & ENGINEERING

J. Resolution #2018-113 - Awarding the Contract for the Design of the Wooton Road Storm Sewer Repair to T&M Associates, in the Amount of \$16,000

Commissioner Nagle made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Larkin. Motion passed 6-0 with Commissioner Abel out of the room.

K. Acceptance of the 2018 Multimodal Transportation Fund Application Project ID 2018_06_23_172

Commissioner Larkin made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Farhy.

There was a discussion amongst the Commissioners and staff.

Commissioner Borowski called the vote, motion passed 5-2 with Commissioners Booker and Abel opposed.

- PUBLIC SAFETY**
- COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**
- PARKS & RECREATION**
- LIBRARY**
- PUBLIC HEALTH**

New Business

- Discussion Amending Ordinance #2013-15 - Establishing a User Fee for Stormwater Collection and Management (*Requested by Commissioner Abel and Commissioner Larkin*)

Commissioner Larkin discussed amending section 245.25 peak rate flow of the stormwater ordinance and to be more restrictive on developers going forward. He asked if there was consensus of the Board to have the Solicitor draft amending the legislation. Staff recommended using the Stormwater Advisory Committee to Review as well Meliora to make larger changes to the ordinance. It was agreed that staff and the Solicitor will review the section above to make appropriate changes and present back to the Board.

Public Comment

Mark D’Nofrio – He is support of strong ordinance if there are incentives for private property owners to have more pervious surface.

Commissioner Abel spoke regarding the Public Safety Sub-Committee Meeting on September 20th to discuss flood safety. Some items discussed were to create free parking on certain streets to allow flooded residents to park during storms as well as First Responders requesting the need for more equipment and training. He would like to propose expanding the Stormwater Fund to allow up to 25% of the annual fee to be used for equipment, training and education. There was a discussion amongst the Commissioners regarding the above suggestion. The Solicitor will submit written guidance to the Board.

- Discussion – Filipone Ballfield (*Requested by Commissioner Abel*)

Commissioner Abel showed a picture of Filipone Ballfield suggesting a separate project to run simultaneously with the capital project proposed to create a dedicated in-field and is looking at the Board for support to direct staff to proceed. Tom McWilliam, President Radnor Wayne Little League also spoke on the proposed project. There was a sense of the Board to send to Parks Board.

- Discussion of the Villanova University Stadium lighting (*Requested by Commissioner Farhy*)

Commissioner Farhy made a presentation on the lighting problems at Villanova University Stadium lighting. He has received complaints from residents around the stadium that the lighting is a nuisance and are on late at night or very early in the morning. There was a discussion amongst the Commissioners and staff regarding how to proceed with Villanova and the problem with their stadium lighting.

Public Comment

Annemarie Hessman – She spoke about the lights from Villanova Stadium shine in her home as well.

Martin Kaufield – He spoke regarding light pollution.

Jane Galli – She spoke with her frustration with the Villanova Stadium Lighting.

Roberta Winters – She spoke that the League of Women Voters would be happy to provide a public meeting to discuss light pollution.

Sara Pilling – She commented that she read that Villanova had bought Radnor Valley Country Club.

Mr. Zienkowski responded that the rumor is not true, he reached out to Mr. Kovolski.

There was an agreement that staff and the Solicitor will work on an ordinance regarding light pollution.

- *Discussion of the Pedestrian Accident on Lancaster and Blackfriar (Requested by Commissioner Farhy)*

Commissioner Farhy discussed the need for expanded sidewalks on Lancaster Avenue near Blackfriar and asked staff to assess the situation and funding options.

Public Comment

Roberta Winters – She requested that the information be data driven for the above review of the sidewalks.

Annemarie Hessman – She requested a crosswalk from the VIP lot to Barleycone to help slow down traffic.

Old Business

Mr. Zienkowski gave a brief update on Commissioner Abel’s recycling initiative at Bo Connor and Filipone Park. He also commented that he reviewed their information and have asked them for a proposal.

Public Participation

President Borowski did not call for Public Participation as we arrived at 11:00 PM.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned on a motion duly made and seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer DeStefano