

TOWNSHIP OF RADNOR
Minutes of Public Meeting of December 21, 2015

The Radnor Township Board of Commissioners met at approximately 7:00 PM in the Radnorshire Room in the Radnor Township Municipal Building, 301 Iven Avenue, Wayne, PA 19087

Commissioners Present

James C. Higgins, President
Richard F. Booker
Donald Curley
Lucas A. Clark

John Fisher, Vice President
John Nagle
Elaine Schaefer

Also Present: *Robert A. Zienkowski, Township Manager; Peter Nelson, Township Solicitor; Robert V. Tate, Assistant Finance Director; Kevin Kochanski, Director of Community Development; Steve Norcini, Director of Public Works; William Colarulo, Superintendent of Police; Tammy Cohen, Director of Community Programming and Recreation; Amy Kaminski,, Traffic Engineer; Roger Philips, Township Engineer and Jennifer DeStefano, Executive Assistant to the Township Manager.*

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

Notice of Executive Session on December 21, 2015

All commissioners were in attendance at the December 21, 2015 executive session; where matters of personnel and litigation were discussed.

Commissioner Higgins also announced that item A of the agenda is removed from for this evening.

1. *Resolution #2015-134 - Honoring John Fisher's Service as Commissioner 2007-2015*

Commissioner Higgins invited Commissioner Fisher to the lectern and read resolution #2015-134 honoring Commissioner Fisher for his service on the Radnor Township Board of Commissioners. He also presented a plaque to Commissioner Fisher in recognition of his service to Radnor Township. Commissioner Fisher said a few words about his years of service and thanked his family and staff. Many Commissioners thanked him for his years of service as well.

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

Public Comment

Patti Barker – She thanked Commissioner Fisher for all of his hard work throughout the past 8 years.

Roberta Winters – She also thanked Commissioner Fisher for his service.

Phil Ahr – He thanked Commissioner Fisher for his years of service as well.

Martin Heldring – He also thanked Commissioner Fisher for his years of service in particularly his modesty, fairness and integrity.

AJ Anglehart – He thanked Commissioner Fisher for his service and for always being part of the Community.

Commissioner Higgins called the vote, motion passed 7-0.

2. Commendation of Merit Awards – Radnor Police Department

Superintendent Colarulo and Lieutenant Flanagan recognized Radnor Township Officers as well as two Villanova University Public Safety Officers with Commendation of Merit Awards.

3. Public Works Recognition

Mr. Zienkowski presented Jim Corcoran from the Public Works Department with a certificate of recognition for his outstanding and detailed work on the portrait of Emlen Tunnell which is on display at the Sports Legends of Delaware County Museum here at the Township Building and thanked him for his commitment and hard work with maintaining the Township Building, Public Works Garage and Radnor Activity Center.

4. Public Participation

Martin Heldring, Audubon Avenue – He commented in regards to the time length of the meetings and the start time of the meetings; the proposed amendments to the investment policy which was discussed at the last meeting and the Township tax increase for 2016.

Baron Gemmer – He thanked Commissioner Fisher for his service as well as members from other Boards & Commissions which will finish their terms at the end of the month.

5. Consent Agenda

- a) Disbursement Review and Approval: 2015-12B, 2015-12C, 2015-12D
- b) Acceptance of Department Monthly Reports
- c) BPT Settlement Agreement 2015-BPT-03 in the amount of \$69,500
- d) BPT Settlement Agreement 2015-BPT-04 in the amount of \$44,700
- e) Resolution #2015-128 - Authorizing the Township Manager to bind coverage for Worker's Compensation Insurance for the period beginning January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015
- f) Resolution #2015-135 – Authorization for Replacement of Fitness Equipment at the Township Building
- g) Resolution 2015-129 - Authorizing the replacement of the Police Range Backstop in the Police Shooting Range
- h) Resolution #2015-130 – Authorizing a contract with the U.S. Department of Agriculture for professional Deer culling and Geese control services

Commissioner Booker requested that item h is removed from the consent agenda. Commissioner Nagle made a motion to approve item a-g of the consent agenda, seconded by Commissioner Fisher. Motion passed 7-0.

Resolution #2015-130 - Authorizing a contract with the U.S. Department of Agriculture for professional Deer culling and Geese control services

Mr. Zienkowski, Township Manager; William Colarulo, Superintendent of Police as well as staff briefly discussed the above reference resolution. There was a brief discussion amongst the Commissioners and staff including a review of the success of the program over the past three years.

Commissioner Curley made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Schaefer. Motion passed 7-0.

6. *Committee Reports*

PERSONNEL & ADMINISTRATION

A. Discussion & Motion to Authorize the Township Manager to execute a letter to the State Legislature to review and amend the Heart & Lung Disability Provisions for Police Officers

The above item has been removed from the agenda.

B. Ordinance #2016-01 (Introduction) - Boy Scout Cabin -- Agreement of Sale

Peter Nelson, Township Solicitor gave a brief description of the proposed ordinance. Commissioner Schaefer gave a background on the proposed ordinance as well. There was a brief discussion amongst the Commissioners, Solicitor and Dave Falcone – Representing the Scouts.

Commissioner Curley made a motion to introduce, seconded by Commissioner Schaefer. Motion passed 7-0.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

C. Discussion of a Radnor Gateway Enhancement Zone

Commissioner Booker as well as Matt Marshall discussed the concept of an enhancement zone for certain areas in 2nd and 3rd Wards that already exist at the gateways to the Township. Mr. Marshall presented pictures of the areas for which they are requesting enhancements and landscaping.

PUBLIC WORKS & ENGINEERING

D. Presentation - CH2M to provide further modeling of the flooding at Banbury Way, and the Stormwater Advisory Committee will provide an update

Heather Gill, Chair Stormwater Advisory Committee along with Dan Widdle, CH2M gave a brief presentation in regards to the above topic which can be found on the Township website at: <http://radnor.com/AgendaCenter/ViewFile/Agenda/12212015-891> on page 62. There was an in depth discussion amongst Commissioners, Dan Widdle and Staff.

F. Resolution #2015-132 - Authorization for CH2M to Prepare a Request for Proposal for Professional Design Services for the Banbury Way Flood Mitigation Project, and Subsequent Authorization to Solicit for Proposals

Commissioner Schaefer made a motion to approve with the direction that the design work be pursued under option 3 as presented to the Commissioners, seconded by Commissioner Clark. There was an in depth discussion amongst the Commissioners and staff in regards to the above resolution, modeling, watershed approach, stormwater budget and how to proceed with request for proposal.

Public Comment

Jim Guthlein, Banbury Way – He thanked the Commissioners and staff for taking the flooding in this area seriously; his home has been flooded multiple times.

Ken Taylor, Willow Ave – He is in support of the resolution and is also in support of the assessment of the watersheds.

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

E. Resolution #2015-131 - Amending Resolution 2013-103 Which Established A Stormwater Management Advisory Committee by Removing the Ward Qualifications for Appointment

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

There was a brief discussion in regards to the intent of the amendment of the resolution. Commissioner Curley made a motion to amend the resolution and add a Whereas clause to read: Whereas the Board of Commissioners redistricted voting wards in 2014. Strike “a” and replace with “Existing Members who were redistricted may continue to serve and represent the ward from which they were appointed”; seconded by Commissioner Booker.

There was an in depth discussion amongst the Commissioners. Commissioner Higgins called the vote on the amended motion; motion failed 3-4 with Commissioners Fisher, Nagle, Higgins and Schaefer opposed. Commissioner Higgins called the vote on the original motion, motion passed 6-1 with Commissioner Booker opposed.

G. Resolution #2015-133 - Authorization for CH2M to Prepare a Request for Proposal for Professional Services for an Assessment of the Gulph Creek, Meadowbrook Run, and Darby Creek Watersheds

Commissioner Schaefer made a motion with the amendment that authorization for CH2M to prepare a proposal and remove the \$3,120 to prepare a request for proposal, seconded by Commissioner Clark. Motion passed 6-1 with Commissioner Booker opposed.

Commissioner Schaefer thanked the Stormwater Advisory Committee for all of their hard work in the last year and half.

H. Motion to Award Bid for the Sale of Folio #36-02-01232-01 (240 Radnor Chester Road)

Nick Caniglia, representative for the purchaser briefly reviewed the item with the Board of Commissioners. There was a brief discussion amongst the Commissioners, staff and potential land purchaser.

Commissioner Clark made a motion to award the bid, seconded by Commissioner Nagle. Motion passed 6-1 with Commissioner Booker opposed.

I. Caucus (Preliminary/Final) - Villanova University, 800 Lancaster Avenue - Bartley Exchange and Entrance Plaza Project

Commissioner Schaefer announced that she will not participate in the discussion as she has a conflict. Bob Morro gave a brief overview of the project. The applicant is proposing to expand the existing indoor and outdoor seating areas associated with the Exchange Cafe located in Bartley Hall. The existing building is located within the PI Zoning District. There was a brief discussion amongst the Commissioners, staff and the applicant.

FINANCE & AUDIT

None

PUBLIC SAFETY

None

PARKS & RECREATION

None

LIBRARY

None

PUBLIC HEALTH

None

Old Business

None

New Business

Commissioner Fisher requested that he would like to see that another Commissioner would continue to highlight sections of the Department Reports to point out the amount of work that is done by the departments.

The Commissioners gave their appreciation to Commissioner Fisher for his years of service.

Public Participation

None

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

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer DeStefano