

TOWNSHIP OF RADNOR
Minutes of Public Meeting of April 28, 2014

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

Elaine Schaefer, President
John Fisher
John Nagle
William Spingler

James C. Higgins, Vice President
Richard F. Booker
Donald Curley

Also Present: Robert A. Zienkowski, Township Manager; John Osborne, Treasurer; John Rice, Township Solicitor; William White, Finance Director; William Colarulo, Superintendent of Police; Steve Norcini, Director of Public Works; Tammy Cohen, Director of Recreation & Community Programming; Roger Phillips, P.E., Township Engineer; Amy Kaminski, Township Traffic Engineer and Jennifer DeStefano, Executive Assistant to the Township Manager.

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

Commissioner Schaefer announced that Township Solicitor, John Rice will step down as the advisor for the Ethics Board. Mr. Zienkowski will recommend a replacement shortly to the Board.

Public Participation

Kim Englehart, - She announced the 65th annual Garrett Hill 4th of July Parade. Following the parade there is a block party at Clem Macrone Park. The Garrett Hill Parade Committee supports the proposed development plan for Clem Macrone Park.

John Child, Rockingham Road – See Attached which was written by Patti Barker.

Carol Solkosky – She commented in regards to her concerns of the CICD approval.

Marty Costello – He announced the Larry Merschall Day which will be held on Saturday, May 3rd at 5:00 PM in the Radnorshire room at the Township Building in recognition of him.

Dan Sherry – He commented in regards to the ongoing Ethics Board complaint and his concerns of recent news articles.

Notice of Executive Session preceding and following the Board of Commissioners meeting of April 28, 2014

All commissioners were in attendance, where matters of personnel, real estate, litigation and investigative matters covered by attorney client privilege were discussed.

Consent Agenda

Disbursement Acceptance and Approval: 2014-04A, 2014-04B, 2014-04C

Department Monthly Reports

Approval of minutes for the Board of Commissioners meeting of March 31, 2014 & April 7, 2014

Resolution #2014-40 - Purchase of Seed and Fertilizer

Resolution #2014-41 – Authorization to dispose of Surplus Township Vehicles and Equipment no longer needed by the Township

Staff Traffic Committee Meeting Minutes - March 19, 2014

Motion authorizing the Township to solicit RFP's for the leasing of various public works vehicles as planned in the Capital Program

Resolution #2014-45 - Amending the 2014 Consolidated Fee Schedule – Parking Permits

Resolution #2014-46 - Award of Bid for Police Uniforms from Red the Uniform Tailor

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

Villanova University Graduation – Friday, May 16, 2014 - Update to the Community

Chris Kovolski and Dave Tredjeske discussed this year's commencement at Villanova University. It will be held on Friday, May 16th and Saturday, May 17th. There was a brief discussion amongst Commissioners, Staff and Villanova in regards to traffic and parking for the event.

Appointment to various Boards & Commissions

Commissioner Curley made a motion to appoint the following: Jeffrey Rubin and Carl Rosenfeld – CARFAC; John Childs to the Garrett Hill Implementation Committee; Charles Wallace Stuard – Civil Service Commission, seconded by Commissioner Spingler. Motion passed 7-0.

Announcement of Openings for the Comprehensive Plan Implementation Committee

Commissioner Schaefer announced that there are several opening on the Comprehensive Plan Implementation Committee. Any interested candidates please send resumes to Robert Zienkowski, 301 Iven Avenue, Wayne, PA 19087.

Recognition of Herb Hazan, Board of Health

Commissioner John Nagle presented Herb Hazan with a plaque for his years of service on the Board of Health. Herb Hazan thanked the Commissioners for the honor of serving on the Board of Health.

Recognition of Delaware County Kennel Club

The Delaware County Kennel Club presented the Police K-9 and K-9 Officers with Citations of Merit. Lieutenant Flanagan recognized the Delaware County Kennel Club for their support with the Radnor K-9 Unit. The Delaware Kennel Club has donated bullet proof vests, oxygen masks and first aid kits for the K-9. They also sponsored the microchip event at Hartford Park.

Presentation of the Pennsylvania Recreation and Parks Society Excellence in Programming Award to the Radnor Township Recreation & Community Programming Department for the 2013 Fall Harvest and Great Pumpkin Patch Event

Carolyn Hanal from the Pennsylvania Recreation and Parks Society presented Radnor Township Recreation & Community Programming department with an award of excellence for their 2013 Fall Harvest and Great Pumpkin Patch event.

Presentation of Clem Macrone Park & Spillway Update

Martin Kimmel gave a brief presentation as an update to Clem Macrone Park & Spillway which can be found on the Township website at: <http://www.radnor.com/departments/division.php?fDD=14-352>.

Commissioner Fisher commented that he is in support of the Master Plan, there are many families that use the park on a daily basis.

PARKS & RECREATION

Resolution #2014-23 - Authorization for the application for a Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources Community Conservation Partnerships Program (C2P2) Grant for the Clem Macrone Master Plan Development

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

Commissioner Fisher thanked staff for all of their hard work in the process. There was discussion amongst the Commissioners in regards to the funding and budgeted money for the project.

Public Comment

Phil Ahr – Please see attached.

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

Resolution #2014-29 – Authorizing the Purchase of Playground Equipment and Surfacing for the Encke Park Playground Replacement Project

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

Tammy Cohen gave a brief background on the project. She also thanked Heather Gill for her hard work on the project.

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

Resolution #2014-36 – Authorizing the Purchase Playground Installation for the Encke Park Playground Replacement Project

Commissioner Nagle made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner J. Higgins. Motion passed 7-0.

Resolution #2014-47 – Requesting Possible Funding from the State Capital Budget in an amount of \$500,000 for the Clem Macrone Park Improvement Plan

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

Mr. Zienkowski commented that this project fits the criteria for State Capital Funding.

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

PERSONNEL & ADMINISTRATION

Review & Discussion of Township Owned Property for the potential Lease or Sale of Real Estate (Township Building; Public Works Facility; N. Wayne Parking Lot; Bryn Mawr Ave. Parking Lot; Rt. 320 & Conestoga Road Lot; Jaquiry House @ Harford Park and Other Properties the Board of Commissioners Would Like to Discuss)

There was a discussion amongst the Commissioners and Staff in regards to how to proceed with each of the properties listed above. There was consensus to lease space in the Township Building that is not utilized; there was also consensus to look into alternatives of location for the Public Works Garage; there was agreement that the Senior Center needs to remain downtown; consensus to research further the potential sale of the Bryn Mawr Avenue Parking Lot & Glenbrook; there was consensus to leave the Township property at Rt. 320 & Conestoga Road as is; Jaquiry House - John Rice to look into project 70 and the potential to subdivide the property. There was discussion also in regards to additional parking needed at Township Building, location of the Township Building vs. Public Works Garage and whether to rent or own. There was a consensus to engage professional Real Estate Company to initiate a National search for a tenant at the Township Building. Commissioner Curley also discussed the property on Woodland Avenue that the Township owns and review options for Stormwater management.

PUBLIC WORKS & ENGINEERING

Resolution #2014-38 - Caucus/Final - Granting Final Plan Approval of a Subdivision Pursuant to a Court Ordered Partition of Property - 30-32 Garrett Avenue

Commissioner Fisher made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Spingler.

Nick Caniglia, Attorney gave a brief background on the project.

Commissioner Schaefer called the vote, Motion passed 7-0.

Motion to Authorize to Receive RFPs for Professional Planning Services to Review the CICD Ordinance as well as Traffic Impacts to the Designated Area for Application in the Conditional Use Hearing

Commissioner Fisher made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Booker.

There was a brief discussion amongst Commissioners and Staff in regards to retaining an independent planner to review the CICD Ordinance.

Public Comment

Matt Marshall, Walnut Avenue – He is in support of retaining an independent planner.

Al Murphy, Glenmary Road – He commented in regards to a letter that he received from his Commissioner today from the previous independent planner that the Township retained. He is in support of retaining an independent planner.

Diane Edbril, Spruce Tree Road – She discussed her concerns about the transparency of engaging an independent planner.

Marisal Han – She is in support of an independent planner to work with the residents.

Roberta Winters, Williams Road – She asked for the motion to be amended to include review of the CICD Ordinance as well as Traffic Impacts to the Designated Area for Application in the Conditional

Use Hearing so that the professional planning services would have a broader application over the next 9 months.

Commissioner J. Higgins called the vote; motion fails 3-3 with Commissioner Curley, Spingler and Nagle opposed and Commissioner Schaefer abstaining.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Ordinance #2014-04 (Introduction) Rescinding Ordinance #2013-21 - Amending Chapter 280 of the Radnor Township Code, Zoning Ordinance, by establishing regulations for a new Comprehensive Integrated College Development Use within the PI – Planned Institution District

Commissioner Fisher made a motion to introduce to repeal ordinance #2013-21, seconded by Commissioner Booker.

There was an in depth conversation amongst the Commissioners in regards to the above ordinance; Commissioner Fisher discussed the timeline of the proposed ordinance and the ordinance that it is looking to repeal. Commissioner Booker is in support of the Ordinance to repeal ordinance #2013-21. Commissioner Curley does not support the Ordinance. Commissioner Spingler is opposed to the Ordinance. Commissioner Nagle is opposed of the ordinance. Commissioner Fisher thanked Villanova University for voluntarily submitting a letter that they would not submit a plan until May 27, 2014.

Public Comment

Diane Edbril, Spruce Tree Road – She commented her concerns if the above ordinance is not approved and ordinance #2013-21 is not repealed.

Armand Nevelli – He spoke in regards to Commissioner Spingler’s integrity and dedication to Radnor Township.

Jim Yanopoulos, Braxton Road – He discussed his frustrations of the process of the ordinance approval and would like to see ordinance #2013-21 rescinded.

Commissioner J. Higgins called the vote, motion failed 2-4 with Commissioner Curley, Spingler, Higgins and Nagle opposed and Commissioner Schaefer abstaining.

PUBLIC WORKS & ENGINEERING

Resolution #2014-42 - 229 W. Wayne Avenue-Traffic Signal

Amy Kaminski, Traffic Engineer gave a brief background of the resolution that PennDot requires.

Commissioner Spingler made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Nagle. Motion passed 7-0.

PUBLIC SAFETY

None

FINANCE & AUDIT

None

LIBRARY

None

PUBLIC HEALTH

Board of Health would like to send a letter to the School Board to expand their smoking policy to include electronic cigarettes.

Old Business

None

New Business

Commissioner Higgins commented in regards to a meeting he had with State Representative Adolph about appropriations for transportation projects and that Radnor Township would be eligible.

Commissioner Booker commented in regards to a comment his neighbor made earlier about a letter that was received. He wanted to confirm that he has not circulated the letter which was indicated previously in the meeting.

Public Participation

None

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

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer DeStefano

April 28, 2014

The Garrett Hill Coalition (GHC) supports the Clem Macrone/Eastern Gateway Master Plan.

Historically, Clem Macrone Park is one of the most utilized parks in Radnor Township. It's a widely used community gathering place and offers a variety of uses and activities. For example:

- tot lot
- ball fields
- basketball courts
- tennis courts
- wetlands with a nature trail
- annual 4th of July Parade (2014 is our 65th year!)
- picnic grove
- War Memorial
- concerts
- joggers and walkers

Garrett Hill has been waiting for a new restroom facility for many years. The state of this restroom has been deplorable for decades and has been an embarrassment to our community – particularly when we've hosted the annual 4th of July parade and Township concerts. This project is an opportunity not only to build a new restroom but an avenue to enhance, improve and preserve the natural and man-made assets in our well-loved Clem Macrone Park.

Likewise, it is long overdue to clean up the "Spillway" along the P & W tracks - an important and prominent gateway not only to Garrett Hill but also to the whole of Radnor Township. Now it's Garrett Hill's turn - what's fair is fair.

The community members were invited to be involved with the planning of these projects, participated in three (3) public meetings and have expressed support for the Kimmel Bogrette concepts.

The Garrett Hill Coalition supports these plans and respectfully requests that you please vote for their approval. Please put Garrett Hill at the top of the list!

Thank you for your service.

Patti Barker *Chair*, GHC

MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 28, 2014
TO: Radnor Board of Commissioners
FROM: Philip Ahr, Chair, Garrett Hill Implementation Committee (GHIC)
SUBJECT: Recommendation of full support for the Clem Macrone Park and Conestoga Eastern Gateway Master Plans

On April 15, 2014, the Garrett Hill Implementation Committee (GHIC) held its quarterly meeting and reviewed the Master Plans for Clem Macrone Park and the Conestoga Eastern Gateway by Kimmel-Bogrette Architecture. The GHIC made the following motion:

1. On behalf of the GHIC, a motion of recommendation was made to express our support and request the Board of Commissioners' support of the Master Plans for Clem Macrone Park and the Conestoga Eastern Gateway, including full funding of both plans. The motion was passed 5-0 with no abstentions.

Accordingly, the Garrett Hill Implementation Committee (GHIC) also supports Radnor's DCNR Grant proposal for the Clem Macrone Master Plan Project.

As part of Garrett Hill's 19 month-long Master Planning process (adopted in July 2008) that this committee steered and included several Visioning Workshops, over 250 neighbor participants identified major priorities for improvement in Garrett Hill. First among these 7 priorities was "Park Improvements."

This plan, specifically recommended the following at Clem Macrone Park:

- Improve pedestrian access from the neighborhood
- Improve walking trails inside the park
- Construction of a picnic pavilion with a water source
- Rehabilitate the restrooms
- Stream bank restoration
- Interpretive/educational signage describing the role and environmental benefits of the park's stream and natural features
- Continuation of periodic natural education programs in the park
- Study and provide for maintenance and replacement of heritage and specimen trees.

The improvements being proposed for the Clem Macrone Master Plan are consistent with these earlier recommendations and will ensure sustainable uses and further greening of our park. The rehabilitation to the park and its facilities will mean greater access for all and modernized restrooms and amenities that will enhance its usability and benefits for our neighborhood and township.

The Master Planning process, guided by Kimmel-Bogrette, that resulted in these two plans were also created with ample input from, and met with approval by, the residents of the community over three separate workshops.

Since this park is located within Radnor's 7th Ward – the township's most densely populated ward – the creation of trails and streambank improvements within the park will promote health and recreation benefits and conservation awareness to a wide audience of residents. The improvements to the Conestoga spillway will provide welcome benefits as an Eastern Gateway to Garrett Hill and Radnor.

We thank you for making possible this valuable Master Planning process. The GHIC will continue to provide its support in the adoption and implementation of this park's Master Plan and that of the Eastern gateway, and respectfully requests the Board's full support and funding for both projects.