

TOWNSHIP OF RADNOR
Minutes of Public Meeting of November 25, 2013

The Radnor Township Board of Commissioners met at approximately 7:15 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
Kevin G. Higgins
Donald Curley*

Also Present: *Robert A. Zienkowski, Township Manager; John Osborne, Treasurer; John Rice, Township Solicitor; William White, Finance Director 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

Public Participation

Paul Perot, W. Beechtree Lane – He is requested that the potential acquisition of Ardrossan be placed on a referendum.

Notice of Executive Session preceding the Board of Commissioners meeting of November 25, 2013

Announcement of Board and Commission Vacancies

Commissioner Schaefer announced that the following vacancies will be available on the Township’s Boards, Commissions & Committees as of January 1, 2014:

Environmental Advisory Council 1 Vacancy	Historical & Architectural Review Board 1 Vacancy
Park & Recreation Board 2 Vacancies	Shade Tree Commission 1 Vacancy
Zoning Hearing Board 3 Vacancies	Stormwater Advisory Committee 7 Vacancies

Interested residents please send your resume and letter of interest to Radnor Township, Attn: Mr. Zienkowski, Township Manager, 301 Iven Avenue, Wayne, PA 19087 or email rzienkowski@radnor.org.

Appointments to Stormwater Advisory Committee

Commissioner Spingler made a motion to appoint the following to the Stormwater Advisory Committee; Paul Burgmayer, Ward 1, Heather Gill, Ward 3 and Paige Maz, Ward 7, motion seconded by Commissioner Fisher. Motion passed 7-0.

Approval of minutes for the Board of Commissioners meeting of September 23, 2013, October 14, 2013 & October 28, 2013

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

Consent Agenda

Motion to accept Department Monthly Reports

Disbursement Review and Approval: 2013-11A, 2013-11B

Resolution #2013-140 - Acknowledging the receipt & accounting of the 2013 Municipal Pension System State Aid

Motion for Authorization to Receive Bids for Fuel

Motion for Authorization to Receive Bids for Emergency Storm & Sanitary Sewer Contract

Motion Authorizing the Sale of Surplus Township Vehicles and Equipment

Resolution #2013-135 – Authorization to Award Joseph A. Sucher & Son the 2013 Superpave Resurfacing Program

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

PERSONNEL & ADMINISTRATION

Resolution #2013-142 – Approval of a 3-year Contract with Radnor Association of Township Employees (RATE)

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

Mr. White, Finance Director gave a brief overview of the 3-year contract. Commissioner Fisher thanked everyone involved for their hard work. Commissioner Schaefer thanked staff also and thanked them for being so adaptive with the changes.

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

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Appeal of DRB Decision 2013-68 by the applicant, Pet Supplies Plus

Dottie Tuccio, Pro Signs discussed that she was in attendance of the meeting on behalf of their client Pet Supply Plus. The Design Review Board gave approval for 18” letter height sign. The applicant would like to request complete covering of the entire sign band area in white panel to cover up all existing signage marks and make the band look proper and even with 25” letter height.

After a brief discussion, Commissioner Fisher made a motion to table until next meeting, seconded by Commissioner Spingler. Motion passed 7-0.

FINANCE & AUDIT

Ordinance #2013-23 – Introduction - Adoption of the final Comprehensive Budget for 2014 (v2) and establishing the Township Real Estate Tax Rate and Sanitary Sewer Rate

Mr. White presented for introduction the Final Comprehensive Budget for 2014 along with the establishment of the Township Real Estate Tax Rate and Sanitary Sewer Rate. This document can be located on the Township website at http://www.radnor.com/egov/docs/1385401574_90332.pdf.

Commissioner K. Higgins made a motion to introduce the ordinance, seconded by Commissioner Spingler. Motion passed 7-0.

Ordinance #2013-24 – Introduction - Adoption of the Consolidated Fee Schedule for 2014

Commissioner K. Higgins made a motion to introduce the ordinance, seconded by Commissioner Curley. Motion passed 7-0.

There was a brief discussion amongst the Commissioners and Staff in regards to items within the fee schedule. Commissioner K. Higgins asked for a list of the fee increases and the reasons. Commissioner Schaefer would like to see the fees that pertain to residents to remain as low as possible. There was also a discussion amongst the Commissioners and Mr. Osborne, Treasurer in regards to the increase in the real estate certification fee that the Treasurer collects.

Public Comment

Jim Schneller, St. David's – He would like to see the Ordinance tables so the Board can look at the fees better.

Resolution #2013-141 - Amending Resolution 2013-113 by revising the 2014 Minimum Municipal Obligation

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

PUBLIC WORKS & ENGINEERING

Discussion & Selection by the Board of Commissioners, of the Plan for the N. Wayne Field Basin Re-Construction Project

Ryan Cummins, Chagrin Valley Engineers made a brief presentation of the various preliminary designs. The current basin designs are the closest we have to "shovel ready" projects that we can move forward on, and make an impact on stormwater runoff issues. This project will replace the current, failed system, as well as increase the benefit to the community. Versions A, B, and C would require the use of the entire footprint of the park. This would include the removal of the baseball field and preclude active and passive recreation. Basin designs D, E, and F are similar in that they allow the baseball field to remain, which still allows the use of the park by residents. These three iterations are also similar in that they would require the storm sewer that runs from the basin to Poplar Avenue to be increased in size from 18" to 30' in diameter. The Townships recommendation is to move forward with version E based on cost, and capacity, as it provides the best option for the Township.

After a discussion amongst the Commissioners, staff and Ryan Cummins the Commissioners agreed to proceed with Plan E.

Resolution #2013-133 – Authorization For CVE to Prepare Final Design Plans and Bidding Documents for Reconstruction of the Stormwater Management Basin at the North Wayne Field Park

Commissioner Spingler made a motion based on Option E with a not to exceed \$85,000, seconded by Commissioner J. Higgins. Motion passes 6-1 with Commissioner Curley opposed.

Public Comment

Jean Galley, Barcladen Road– She inquired in regards to bugs, liabilities and safety with the plan discussed.

Bill Bruno, N. Wayne Avenue – He thanked the Commissioners for proceeding with the project and inquired with Chagrin on a few clarification points within the plan.

Motion to Authorize the Public Works Department to Receive Bids for the North Wayne Field Basin Construction

There was a brief discussion on whether or not to go to bid now or wait, Commissioner J. Higgins made a motion withdraw the item from the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Nagle. Motion passed 7-0.

Motion to Authorize Request for Proposals for Consulting Engineers to Assist the Director of Public Works and Stormwater Advisory Committee in the Planning, Implementation, and Commencement of the Stormwater Management Program and Credit Program

Commissioner J. Higgins made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Spingler. Motion passed 7-0.

Authorization for CVE to Prepare the Final Design Plans & Bidding Documents for the Final Connection of the S. Wayne/Middle School Underground Stormwater Storage System

Steve Norcini, Director of Public Works explained the storm sewer system that traverses School Lane was never completed. This system was originally designed to cross South Wayne Avenue and West Avenue, conveying stormwater to the underground system at the Radnor Middle school. There is also additional flooding that occurs on South Wayne Avenue in the area of Runnymede Road. This project would entail engineering to address the flooding along this stretch of South Wayne Avenue (the Firehouse to Runnymede). Mr. Norcini stated that this would have a not to exceed price of \$50,000.00.

After a brief discussion, Commissioner J. Higgins made a motion to withdraw the item from the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Spingler, motion passed 7-0.

PARKS & RECREATION

Commissioner Nagle discussed an event coming up “Santa Delivery” on December 14, 2013 where Santa’s elves will make deliveries. He thanked Staff for their creativity.

LIBRARY

Commissioner Schaefer announced that the Library has engaged an architect for a feasibility study for the reconfiguration of the building and the upgrade of the HVAC system. They are receiving public input at buildingsuggestions@radnorlibrary.org. The Library is also hosting a holiday concert on December 12, 2013 at 10:30 at the United Methodist Church in Garrett Hill.

Old Business

Commissioner J. Higgins asked for the subject of Canada Geese in the parks on the next agenda.

New Business

Mr. Zienkowski asked the Board for consideration of authorization for Township Staff to have a half-day on Wednesday, November 28, 2013 as recognition of their hard work throughout the year. Commissioner Spingler made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Nagle. Motion passed 7-0.

Commissioner Nagle asked that the students from St. Katherine's be invited to a Commissioner meeting for recognition of their project about veterans that has been on display in the Township Building lobby.

Public Participation

Jim Schneller, St. David's – He inquired about the status in regards to the ROW of the Linear Park.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer DeStefano