

TOWNSHIP OF RADNOR
Minutes of the Meeting of September 25, 2017

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>Elaine Schaefer, Vice President</i>	<i>Donald Curley</i>	<i>Richard F. Booker</i>
<i>Luke Clark</i>	<i>John Nagle</i>	<i>James Higgins</i>

Absent: *Phil Ahr, President*

Also Present: *Robert A. Zienkowski, Township Manager; Peter Nelson, Township Solicitor; William White, Assistant Township Manager & Finance Director; Steve Norcini, Township Engineer; William Colarulo, Superintendent of Police; Tammy Cohen, Director of Recreation and Community Programming; Andrew Block, Deputy Superintendent of Police; Christopher Flanagan, Deputy Superintendent of Police; Mark Stiansen, Traffic Unit; Alex Janoski, Traffic Amy Kaminski, Traffic Engineer and Jennifer DeStefano, Executive Assistant to the Township Manager.*

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

Commissioner Schaefer read a statement: As you are aware, on Friday of last week, the Office of the Delaware County District Attorney confirmed that, a day earlier, they had executed a sealed search warrant on the home of Commissioner Ahr. Later on Friday, the Township issued a Press Release noting that no Township officer, employee or official has participated or been involved in any way with this investigation. While the investigation continues, this Board will focus on conducting the business of the Township and serving the members of our community. When developments occur with the criminal investigation, we will address them as appropriate. However, until that time, we will be making no further comment.

Notice of Executive Session on September 21, 2017 and September 25, 2017 preceding the Board of Commissioners meeting

There was an Executive Session on Thursday, September 21st where all Commissioners participated with the exception of Commissioner Ahr and matters of Personnel were discussed. There was also an Executive Session prior to this meeting where all Commissioners attended with the exception of Commissioner Ahr where matters of Personnel and Litigation were discussed.

1. Consent Agenda

- a) *Disbursement Review and Approval: 2017-09B, 2017-09C*
- b) *Approval of Meeting Minutes from the September 11, 2017 Board of Commissioners meeting*
- c) *HARB-2017-16 – 224 S Aberdeen Avenue – Re-submitting for two (2) changes to previous HARB approval (2017-05) – dormer details and front entry pent roof*
- d) *Acceptance of Department Monthly Reports*
- e) *Resolution #2017-105 - Application for County Aid For Allocation of Delaware County Liquid Fuels Tax Funds*
- f) *Removal of traffic islands on Pine Tree Rd., at a cost not to exceed \$15,000 (Requested by Commissioner Booker)*

Commissioner Nagle requested item f be removed from the consent agenda.

Commissioner Curley made a motion to approve the consent agenda excluding item f, seconded by Commissioner Clark. Motion passed 6-0 with Commissioner Ahr absent.

2. *Proclamation to Marty Costello – Freedom Medal Award*

Commissioner Schaefer along with Mr. Zienkowski presented Marty Costello with a Proclamation congratulating him for being a recipient of the 2017 Freedom Medal Award in Delaware County. Mr. Costello was selected for his commitment to our country through his military service.

3. *Public Participation*

Dan Sherry, Wayne – He commented regarding past Commissioner, Bill Spingler as well as current Board President Ahr and the Ethics Board.

Leslie Morgan, Farm Road – She spoke regarding potential ways to fund the Willows Project.

Jake Abel, Wayne – He commented in regard to wires hanging from poles as well as double poles throughout the Township.

Doug McCone – He commented in regard to prior comments during the meeting.

Mr. Zienkowski thanked Villanova for their day of service as well as commented that Conestoga Road will begin to be milled and paved tomorrow.

4. *Announcement of Boards and Commissions Vacancies*

Shade Tree Commission - 2 Vacancies Environmental Advisory Council - 1 Vacancy
Board of Health – 1 Vacancy Stormwater Advisory Committee – 1 Vacancy

Commissioner Schaefer announced the above vacancies on various Boards and Commissions. Anyone interested should submit their resume to Bob Zienkowski, Township Manager, rzienkowski@radnor.org.

5. *Willows Mansion Discussion – Updated Information in Packet*

Christina Perrone commented about the Hybrid Community Plan submitted by Barton Partners. The improvements will include a fully renovated first floor with stabilization of the existing building systems, new stairs and accessibility improvements, an open concept community space, the Pond View Room as a community destination with great views to the Willows Park and new terraces for small gatherings. To reduce the overall scope and cost of this Hybrid Community Plan, it does not include: 1) an expansion to the existing 57 space parking lot, 2) widening of the existing driveway, 3) expanded terrace for larger gatherings, 4) painting of fountain wall, 5) new loading area, 6) new exterior signage or 7) second floor upgrades.

Public Comment

Leslie Morgan, Farm Road – She commented about community involvement with the Willows.

Alex Yannopolis, Rosemont – He commented regarding his concern of Ward 7 not having representation.

Dan Sherry, Wayne – He inquired if the Radnor Conservancy has given a presentation about the Willows.

Jane Galli – She commented in support of the Willows Project.

Lisa Borowski, Goshen Road – She thanked the residents that have contributed their time to help with the projects.

There was an in-depth discussion amongst the Commissioners and staff regarding the Willows Project and potential funding. There was support from majority of the Board to proceed.

6. Update on Radnor Crossing tennis court/temporary parking lot issue (Requested by Commissioner Clark)

Paul Wessel, neighboring resident gave a brief update that the temporary parking isn't being used for the use which was approved.

7. Committee Reports

G. Ordinance #2017-16 – (Introduction) - Vacating a Portion of Belrose Lane Extending Between Huston Road and Glenmary Lane with the Exception of Radnor's Easement Rights in the Sewer Facilities Located Within the Existing Right of Way

Commissioner Booker made a motion to introduce ordinance #2017-16, seconded by Commissioner Clark.

Peter Nelson, Township Solicitor gave a brief background of the above ordinance.

Public Comment

Josh Gross, Huston Road – He commented regarding typos within the ordinance.

Ryan Lemieux, 500 Huston Road – He thanked everyone for their help.

Commissioner Schaefer called the vote, motion passed 6-0 with Commissioner Ahr absent.

FINANCE & AUDIT***A. Adoption of the 2018 Budget Calendar***

Commissioner Curley made a motion to adopt the budget calendar, seconded by Commissioner Clark. Motion passed 5-0 with Commissioner Booker out of the room and Commissioner Ahr absent.

B. Resolution #2017-108 - Establishing the 2018 Minimum Municipal Obligation (“MMO”), subject to further amendment during the 2018 budget process

Bill White, Assistant Township Manager & Finance Director gave a brief overview of the resolution.

Commissioner Curley made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Clark. Motion passed 5-1 with Commissioner Booker opposed and Commissioner Ahr absent.

PUBLIC WORKS & ENGINEERING***C. Discussion and Possible Resolution: Banbury Way Stormwater Management Project***

Banbury Way Flood mitigation design contract was awarded to T&M Associates. After providing many alternatives (based on the CH2M design in the RFP for these services), the Board of Commissioners chose the option included in the attachments. This option, which met the criteria of managing a 25-year frequency, 1 hour storm event, included construction of the system on Banbury Way, Windsor Avenue, and Francis. In 2017, two meetings were held with residents of the affected area, and they voiced concerns over: the disturbance to the area, tree removal, access to their houses during construction, cost, and overall impact of the project in their neighborhood. At the end of the last meeting, an area (limit of disturbance) was depicted for a possible project. The limit of the project area outlined for the residents was the R.O.W of Banbury, from SR 0030 to Francis/Windsor, the intersection itself, and the "triangle" (traffic island area). At the meeting, we discussed possibly pursuing the following, noting the issues involved: 1.) we could provide three basic preliminary options, 2.) by using the prescribed area, we are "backing into" the project, in that we are not designing for a specific frequency rain event, but working in a limited area, and trying to provide the best/as much as we can SWM, and the 3.) the projects would be at a somewhat high level, 4.) I could meet with T& M to provide these options. In the Board Packet, there is a memorandum are three options, for the prescribed area, as put forth by T& M Associates. The table on page five of that packet summarizes the costs and capacity of the systems. At this point, staff respectfully requests direction from the Board of Commissioners regarding the Banbury Way Flood Mitigation project. We offer the following for the Board of Commissioners, regarding direction on the project:

- Terminate the current contract, and work with T&M in the manner noted previously.

- Continue working on the original option as chosen by the Commissioners, and move towards bidding.
- Pursue various options, as determined by the Board of Commissioners, based on the Board's requirements, the T& M options, and/or suggestions from staff and the Stormwater Management Advisory Committee.

There was a brief discussion amongst the Commissioners, staff and members of Stormwater Advisory Committee.

Commissioner Curley made a motion to discontinue the project on Banbury and return the funds to the stormwater fund, seconded by Commissioner Higgins. Motion passed 5-1 with Commissioner Clark opposed and Commissioner Ahr absent.

Public Comment

John Sheehan, Windsor Ave – He thanked staff for working with neighbors as well as discussed, the severity of flooding in the Windsor/Farm Road area.

D. Resolution #2017-106 - SALDO Application # 2017-S-02 – Final - Wheeler Field – Minor Final Subdivision

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

Commissioner Schaefer made a motion to amend the resolution to contain language that incorporates a condition that the deed reflects any sale of property out of the hands of the Boy Scouts will allow the Township to buy back at the same price as the sale price, seconded by Commissioner Higgins. Motion passed 5-0 with Commissioner Clark out of the room and Commissioner Ahr absent.

Commissioner Schaefer called the vote on the original motion, motion passed 5-0 with Commissioner Clark out of the room and Commissioner Ahr absent.

E. Resolution #2017-107 - SALDO Application #2017-D-03 JCHAI Building – Final - Preliminary/Final Land Development

Commissioner Higgins made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Nagle. Motion passed 4-2 with Commissioner Booker and Schaefer opposed and Commissioner Ahr absent.

F. Discussion of Township Policy on Maintenance of Private Roads (leaf collection, repairs, snow plowing, etc.) (Requested by Commissioner Higgins)

Commissioner Higgins gave a brief background of the above agenda item such as private roads and the maintenance of them. There was a discussion amongst Commissioners and staff.

Item f from the Consent Agenda

Removal of traffic islands on Pine Tree Rd., at a cost not to exceed \$15,000 (Requested by Commissioner Booker)

There was an in-depth discussion amongst the Commissioners and staff regarding the agenda item.

Commissioner Booker made a motion to remove the traffic islands on Pine Tree Road, at a cost not to exceed \$15,000, seconded by Commissioner Clark.

Public Comment

Dan Sherry, Wayne – He commented about the discussions amongst the Commissioners on the above agenda item.

Austin Hepburn, Upper Gulph Road – He commented in support of the removal of the islands.

Alan Brink, Hermitage Drive – He is in support of the removal of the islands.

Commissioner Schaefer called the vote, motion failed for lack of a majority with Commissioner Higgins, Schaefer and Nagle opposed and Commissioner Ahr absent.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

H. DRB – Consideration of Appeal filed in opposition of DRB 2017-23 – 208 N. Wayne Avenue

Item removed from the agenda by request of the applicant.

- I. Discussion and Possible Motion to Authorize John Rice to attend the October 10, 2017 Zoning Hearing Board Meeting to oppose the following: APPEAL#3000 - The Applicant, 157-159 Garrett Avenue, property located at 157-159 Garrett Avenue and Zoned GH-CR, seeks a modification of the Zoning Hearing Board Appeal 2575. Applicant requests removal of the Board's condition which states, "In order to reduce noise emanating from the subject premises, the windows of the subject premises shall be kept closed at all times when the New Restaurant is open for business."*

Peter Nelson gave a brief background of the above appeal. There was a brief discussion amongst the Commissioners and staff.

Commissioner Curley made a motion to send John Rice on behalf of the Board of Commissioners to oppose the appeal, seconded by Schaefer.

Public Comment

Sara Pilling, Garrett Avenue – She commented that the applicant has already made the change to their building and the noise carries down the road.

Jane Galli, Barcladen – She commented in support of the motion.

Commissioner Schaefer called the vote, motion passed 6-0 with Commissioner Ahr absent.

J. Authorization to file an Enforcement Action Re: 134,144 Eachus Avenue

Commissioner Curley made a motion authorizing to file an enforcement action regarding 134,144 Eachus Avenue, seconded by Commissioner Nagle.

There was a brief discussion amongst the Commissioners and Township Solicitor.

Commissioner Schaefer called the vote, motion passed 6-0 with Commissioner Ahr absent.

PERSONNEL & ADMINISTRATION

None

PUBLIC SAFETY

None

LIBRARY

Commissioner Booker commented that there was a meeting held this past Thursday where QCI gave an update on the project.

PUBLIC HEALTH

None

PARKS & RECREATION

Commissioner Nagle commented that at the last Parks Board meeting they discussed the capital budget. He also commented that the Pumpkin Festival is this coming weekend at the Willows.

Old Business

Commissioner Schaefer commented that she is having a 4th Ward Town Hall meeting on Thursday at 7 PM at Presbyterian Children's Village. All are welcomed to attend.

New Business

None

Public Participation

Dan Sherry, Wayne – He commented regarding comments made earlier in the evening and the need to reorganize the Board.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer DeStefano