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REGULAR MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners was called to order by President Rudolph at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 12, 2015 in the Township Building.

ROLL CALL

The following Commissioners were present: Mrs. Sage, Messrs. Rudolph, Janiczek, Kelly, Wechsler, Layden and Lanciano. Also present were Messrs. Mr. Fulton, Byrne and Mrs. Warner.

INVOCATION

The Invocation was given by Reverend Robert Kinzel of the Blue Church and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATION

Mr. Kelly presented a Resolution recognizing the volunteers and participates who helped make the 2015 Steve Stefani Dance Marathon a successful event. \$248,416 was raised to benefit pediatric cancer patients. Members of the volunteer committee came forward to accept the Resolution.

PROCLAMATION

Mr. Wechsler read a Proclamation proclaiming the month of May 2015 as "Poppy Day's" in Springfield Township.

MINUTES

On motion of Mrs. Sage, the minutes of April 14, 2015 were approved as transcribed. Seconded by Mr. Wechsler and carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Rudolph asked if anyone in the audience wished to comment on any of the agenda items. Seeing none, the meeting continued.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Rudolph called for Committee Reports.

Golf Course

Mr. Kelly reported total rounds for the month of April was 2,874 bringing the year to date total to 3,455. The golf course was opened 26 days out of the month. Mr. Kelly stated the total rainfall for April was 4.45" and then read the maintenance report. The irrigation system has been fully serviced and operational. Both pond fountains have been reinstalled and are up and running. Landscaping has been completed to the front entrance of the clubhouse, as well as,

the wedding/outing yard and main drive isle. For the month of April, the golf shop total merchandise sales was \$11,183.00, bringing the year-to-date total to \$16,076.00.

Mr. Kelly read the Parks Department maintenance report. The crew continues with weekly baseball and lacrosse field maintenance. The pitching mound at Walsh Park has been replaced with new diamond-tex. The Township was given the Tree City USA award for the 23rd consecutive year. The Parks Department and Garden Club planted a dogwood tree at Memorial Park in honor of Arbor Day.

Parks

Mrs. Sage reported the Zoning Hearing Board will convene on May 28th to render decisions on three zoning applications. The first applicant is seeking a use variance to permit the use of their residence as a home office business (375 Gleaves Road) which involves customer traffic pursuant to the requirements of a Federal Firearms License. The second applicant requests a dimensional variance to permit the construction of an addition that will encroach into the front yard setback (200 Welsh Drive). The third applicant is seeking a use by special exception for a proposed craft beer retail store and restaurant (35 Baltimore Pike).

Zoning

Mr. Wechsler reported the May 7th Planning Commission meeting was continued to the June Meeting. A preliminary plan review of a seven lot subdivision on 500 Saxer Avenue was scheduled, but their engineer asked for a continuance.

Planning

Dr. Janiczek reminded residents that on Monday, May 25th, Memorial Day holiday, trash and recyclables will not be collected. As stated in the Township calendar, brush will be picked up the 3rd Wednesday of every month until September.

Public Works

Dr. Janiczek announced Science in the Summer registration will only be available online instead of in person through May. Classes will be held at the Library Monday, July 20 through Thursday, July 23. The topic this year will be Chemistry.

Library

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He reminded residents that containers to recycle laser and inkjet printer cartridges and cell phones are located at the Library and Township Building. The Summer Reading Program will be held from June 22 to August 14.

Pool

Mr. Layden announced the new pools are completed and filled with water. Total revenue for the year is \$191,455.00. Membership applications are available on-line or can be picked up at the Township Building or Pool. The Pool will be holding an open house on May 17th and May 21st. The Pool's opening day is Saturday, May 23rd.

Ice Rink

Mr. Layden announced the Ice Rink just completed a very successful year grossing in the area of \$251,000 for seven months of operation, which does not count income from the snack bar or game room. Bob Artese, Ice Rink Manager, will hold a pro-wrestling show with ECW at the Ice Rink on Saturday, June 27. The show will benefit the in-house hockey league. The snack bar and game room will be open that evening.

Ambulance Corps

Mr. Lanciano reported for the month of April 2015, Springfield Township had 182 emergencies with Springfield Ambulance Corps responding to 155 of those emergencies or 90% response rate. The average amount of time from dispatch to arrival was 5.4 minutes.

Recycling

Mr. Lanciano reported for the month of April, the Township collected 1,041 tons of refuse versus 1,152 tons in April 2014 for a negative variance of 111 tons. For the month of April, the Township collected 107 tons of paper versus 102 in April 2014, for a positive variance of 5 tons. Again, in the month of April, the Township collected 66 tons of commingled versus 70 tons, for a negative variance of 5 tons. For the month of April, the Township collected 18 tons of single stream material, versus 19 tons last year. Mr. Lanciano stated the Township will be focusing in educating the public in ways we can recycle better to lower our expenses for refuse disposal and increase our recycling funds.

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Mr. Rudolph announced the Memorial Day parade is on Monday, May 25th at 10:00 a.m. They will travel from Veterans Memorial Park to Saxer Avenue left on Powell Road ending up at the Township Building.

Memorial Day Parade

Mr. Rudolph announced the Delaware County Fallen Firefighters and Emergency Services Committees will sponsor a fund raiser on Saturday, June 6th, 9 am – 5 pm at the Springfield Mall. Springfield Ford and the Run for Heroes are hosting a car test drive.

Public Safety

Mr. Rudolph reported the 39th Annual Hero Bowl will take place on Thursday, May 28th at Cardinal O'Hara High School. The East vs. West All Star High School Football game will begin at 7:30 p.m. Proceeds from this event benefits the Hero Scholarship Fund.

Annual Hero Bowl

Mr. Rudolph read a list of fire safety tips relating to fire prevention around the house.

Fire Company

Mr. Layden moved that all bills approved for payment by the appropriate chairperson be paid. Seconded by Dr. Janiczek and carried.

BILLS SUBMITTED

On motion of Mr. Lanciano, seconded by Mr. Layden, the Treasurer's Report for April 2015 was accepted and ordered filed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Lanciano moved to award the bid for the Fire House Boiler Replacement to the lowest responsible bidder, B & E Boiler Works, Inc. at a total base price of \$23,650.00. Seconded by Mr. Layden and carried.

BIDS: Fire House
Boiler

Dr. Janiczek moved that the Township vehicles and equipment sold through the Municibid be awarded to the highest responsible bidder. Sales totaled approximately \$20,000.00. Seconded by Mr. Layden and carried.

SALE OF SURPLUS
EQUIPMENT

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GOLF COURSE
SPECIAL EVENTS
OUTING FEES

Mr. Kelly moved authorizing the Township to adopt a policy on fees for Special Outings at the Golf Course for organizations hosting a special event. The special fees will be for Monday through Thursday, an 8:00 am shotgun start at the rate of \$45.00 or a 1:00 pm shotgun start at \$50.00 per round. Weekends and holidays would not be offered. Seconded by Mrs. Sage and carried.

BIDS AUTHORIZED

Dr. Janiczek moved to authorize the receipt of bids through PennBID for the 2015 Road Milling and Overlay Program. The Township has joined together to receive bids with Marple Township and Swarthmore Borough. Bids are to be received by June 5, 2015 by 10:00 a.m. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Raymond Wilfong, 659 Newlin Road, commented on the proposed handbill ordinance that was read at last month's meeting. He presented his copy of his version to the Board for their review. Mr. Wilfong stated he wanted to streamline the ordinance by removing some of the legal wording. One of his recommendations is that the firms distributing the unsolicited handbills would have to register with the Township, the handbills should have their identification so that if a resident does not want to receive the handbills they have a mechanism to opt out of the delivery. He also suggested if Township officials and real estate agents are aware of vacant houses the Township can opt out for that particular residence.

George Miller, 311 Alliston Road, commented that he would like to see more residents recycling. He asked if there were any lifeguard saves at the Country Club Pool last year. Several Board members stated that there were no saves necessary.

ADJOURNMENT
(8:40 P.M.)

Dr. Janiczek moved that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Mr. Wechsler and carried.