

MARCH 11, 2008

REGULAR MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners was called to order by President Mahoney at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 11, 2008 in the Township Building.

ROLL CALL

The following other Commissioners were present: Messrs. McAndrews, Wechsler, Rudolph, Devenney and Lanciano. Dr. Janiczek was absent. Also present were Messrs. LeFevre, Byrne and Mrs. Warner.

INVOCATION

The Invocation was given by Reverend Karl Richard of, St. Matthew Lutheran Church, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS

State Representative William Adolph presented citations to Police Officers Joseph O'Berg and Ray Purcell for their heroic efforts on December 25, 2007. They assisted in rescuing a disabled man from his burning home. Also, on behalf of the Board of Commissioners, Mr. McAndrews presented plaques to Police Officers Joseph O'Berg and Ray Purcell for their life saving action.

Mr. Pat Gallagher of the Springfield Township Park Board presented a plaque Commissioner Daniel Lanciano for 15 years of commendable service on the Park & Recreation Board.

MINUTES

On motion of Mr. Rudolph, the minutes of February 12, 2008 were approved as transcribed. Seconded by Mr. McAndrews and carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Mahoney called for Committee Reports.

Ice Rink

Mr. Wechsler reported the Ice Rink will end public on Sunday, March 23rd. The rink will remain open until April 14 for the completion of hockey playoffs and tournaments, as well private skating lessons.

Mr. Wechsler reported at the March 6th meeting of the Planning Commission three items were reviewed. The Springfield Mall made a presentation and will be continued at next month's meeting. The Commission recommended that Subdivision Plans for Cornell Ventures, 518 Prospect Road and Jamgochian, 500 Saxer Avenue, be rejected.

Planning

Mr. Rudolph reported the Environmental Committee is working on a stormwater management project. Stormwater BMP's project site will be located on Township properties consisting of Williams Park, the Library and Township Building. Funding for this site analysis came from State and Federal grants. The committee is currently preparing applications for submittal to Growing Greener to help continue the Storm Water Management BMP Project. Also, he announced there will be spring clean-up along Darby Creek on April 26 and CRC Streams Clean-up on May 3.

Environmental

Mr. McAndrews reported the Public Works Department is in the process of filling potholes. Any pothole on a state highway will be reported to PennDOT. There will be no collection of trash or paper recycling on Good Friday, March 21st.

Public Works

Mr. McAndrews reported for the month of February, total rounds were 4232, bringing the year-to-date total to 1,097 rounds. Total revenue was \$13,821, bringing the year-to-date total revenue to \$34,041. The 2008 seasonal permits are now available of the Pro Shop.

Golf Course

Mr. McAndrews reported the Zoning Code Committee is currently revising the zoning code and should be completed by October.

Zoning Code

Mr. Devenney read the monthly progress report for the Parks Department. They are repairing wooden park entrance signs, installing a new fence along the front of the Parks

Parks

Department and began spring baseball and lacrosse field maintenance.

Library

Mr. Lanciano congratulated the local bookmark contest winners. Their creative artwork will be entered into the Delaware County 2008 Library System Bookmark Contest. He read a list of activities being held at the Library during the month of March.

Fire Company

Mr. Mahoney reported during the month of February, the Fire Company responded to 8 fires, 35 non-fires, 16 mutual aid and held 9 drills/work sessions. Total fire loss was \$12,000.00.

Mr. Mahoney asked for a moment of silence for the Lower Chichester firefighter, Nick Picozzi, who lost his life during a recent house fire.

BILLS SUBMITTED

Mr. Rudolph moved that all bills approved for payment by the appropriate chairperson be paid. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

BIDS: REJECTED
ADA Improvements

As per the recommendation of the Buildings & Grounds Superintendent, Mr. Pappa, Mr. Lanciano moved to reject the bid for the Firehouse ADA Improvements. This is due to the lack of adequate funding from the County CDBG grant and the substantial increase from the original price quotes. Seconded by Mr. Devenney and carried.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE
Stop Sign

Mr. Wechsler read a proposed ordinance creating a stop intersections at Wyndmoor & Thornridge Roads, S. Rolling & Thorn ridge Roads, Wynmoor and Wayfield Roads and S. Rolling & Wayfield Roads. He moved that the proposed ordinance be accepted for its first reading and advertised. Seconded by Mr. Rudolph and carried.

LAND DEVELOPMENT
Jamgochian

Mr. Wechsler moved to reject the Preliminary/Final Land Development Application for the Jamgochian

Subdivision, 500 Saxer Avenue, for noncompliance of Township Code. Seconded by Mr. Rudolph and carried.

Mr. Devenney moved authorizing the appointment of Michael Kingsbury and Andrew Graff to the Police Department. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

Mr. Lanciano moved to accept a 20 year extension of the current lease of a cell tower at the rear of the Country Club property. Crown Castle will bear responsibility for real estate taxes attributed to the tower and an increased base rent of \$27,000 per year beginning July 2011. Seconded by Mr. Devenney and carried.

Mr. McAndrews moved authorized the Township Engineer to release \$190,813.50 from the escrow account for Springfield Knoll Subdivision. Seconded by Mr. Devenney and carried.

Mr. Rudolph moved authorizing the Township Engineer to release the remaining funds in the escrow account (\$232,636.64) for Springfield Hyundai. Seconded by Mr. McAndrews and carried.

Mr. Devenney moved that the Amusement Tax be waived for the Scenic Hills Spring Fair scheduled for Saturday, April 5th. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

Mr. Lanciano moved to appoint Margaret Hilsbos, 696 Old School House Drive, to a three year term on the Environmental Committee. Seconded by Mr. Devenney and carried.

On motion of Mr. Rudolph, Christopher Shandley, 108 N. Rolling Road, was appointed to a four year term on the Environmental Committee. Seconded by Mr. Wechsler and carried.

POLICE OFFICERS
APPOINTED

CROWN CASTLE
CELL TOWER LEASE

RELEASE OF
ESCROW FUNDS

RELEASE OF
ESCROW FUNDS

WAIVER OF
AMUSEMENT TAX

ENVIRONMENTAL
COMMITTEE

ST. PATRICK'S DAY
PARADE

Mr. McAndrews reminded residents the St. Patrick's Day parade is on Saturday, March 15th, beginning at noon on Leamy Avenue in front of the high school.

ADJOURNMENT
(8:42 p.m.)

Mr. Devenney moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Rudolph and carried.