

MARCH 8, 2016

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners was called to order by President Rudolph at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 8, 2016 in the Township Building.

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

The Invocation was given by Father John Gabin of Holy Cross Church and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

On behalf of the Board of Commissioners, Mr. Kelly presented a Resolution to members of the Springfield High School Varsity Cheerleaders for winning the 2016 PIAA Competitive Spirit Championship, as well as the prestigious title of Nation High School Cheerleading Champions.

Mr. Wechsler read a Proclamation declaring the month of March 2016 as “Irish-American Heritage Month.” in Springfield Township. The annual St. Patrick’s Day Parade is scheduled to begin at noon on Saturday, March 12, 2016.

On motion of Mrs. Sage, the minutes of February 9, 2016 was approved as submitted. Seconded by Mr. Wechsler and carried.

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

Mr. Rudolph called for Committee Reports.

Mr. Kelly announced the “Friends of Springfield Library” will hold their annual spring book sale on Saturday, April 16th to Monday, April 18th in the Springfield Township Building.

REGULAR MEETING

ROLL CALL

INVOCATION

PRESENTATION

PROCLAMATION

MINUTES

PUBLIC COMMENT

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Library

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The Young Poets of Delaware County Annual Competition for youngsters in grades 1 – 12 can pick-up guidelines at the Youth Services Desk. Entries should be submitted to the Library by March 25th.

Parks

Mrs. Sage read the Parks Department maintenance report for the month of February 2016. The crew completed all winter equipment maintenance, repaired a damaged fence at the retention basin at Farmhouse Circle and in Crowell Park. The wooden entrance signs at Kerr and Rolling Green Parks were refinished. The crew has started preparing the baseball field for the upcoming season.

Zoning

Mr. Wechsler reported there is no Zoning Hearing Board meeting in March.

Health/Environmental

Dr. Janiczek reported the Health Officer inspected 9 restaurants, 10 retail establishments and 7 reinspections during the month of February 2016. He announced that the 19th Annual Streams Clean-up will be held on April 30th. Last year volunteers removed 13,000 pounds of trash/debris from sites along the Chester, Ridley and Crum Creek. The Board of Commissioners is proud to be a sponsor of this worthwhile program.

Public Works

Mr. Lanciano reported that the Public Works Department comprises of 11 men in the Highway Department, 15 men in the Sanitation Department; 3 men in the Sanitary Sewer Department, 3 mechanics and 3 part time men. The Highway Department is in the process of filling potholes. Residents are asked to report any potholes in need of patching to the Township Garage. Potholes located on state highways are forwarded to PennDOT. Due to the Good Friday holiday on Friday, March 25th, trash and recycling will not be collected.

Police

Mr. Rudolph announced the 38th annual St. Patrick's Day Parade will be held on Saturday, March 12 at 12:00 p.m. He reminded residents living along the parade route to have their

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vehicles removed from the street. Mr. Rudolph stated that over the past few weeks, the Police Department has received over 40 reports of thefts from vehicles. These thefts are occurring in the overnight hours in different residential neighborhoods. Residents are reminded to always keep vehicles locked and to remove valuables from their vehicles or store them out of sight and report any suspicious activity to the Police Department.

Mr. Rudolph read the safety tip for the month of March” “Spring Cleaning Home Fire Safety.” He reminded residents to ensure smoke alarms are installed in the home and should be tested every month, batteries should be replaced in all smoke alarms at least once a year. The leading cause of home clothes dryer fire is the failure to clean the lint filter. Most cooking fires involve the stovetop and you should keep anything from it that can catch fire. Extension cords fire out-number fires beginning with permanent or detachable power cords by two to one. Electrical cords should not run across the doorway or under carpets.

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

Mr. Wechsler moved for the adoption of Ordinance #1569 rescinding the existing four-way stop signs at the eastern intersection of Hawarden Road and Colonial Park Drive and replacing it with a three-way stop at the western intersection of Hawarden Road and Colonial Park Drive facing northbound, eastbound and westbound traffic. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

Mrs. Sage reported three bids were received for a five-year (2016-2020) lease of 70 electric golf cars, 2 electric utility cars and 1 gas powered utility car, including a 5 year maintenance agreement to the lowest responsible bidder, Golf Car Specialties, LLC. at the cost total cost of \$67,282.52/year. Seconded by Mr. Wechsler and carried.

Fire Company

BILLS SUBMITTED

ORDINANCE #1569
Stop Signs

BIDS: Golf Car Lease

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BIDS: Sewer Extension
Thomson & Sproul

Mr. Lanciano explained that there are 14 existing homes along Thomson Avenue and Sproul Road that are currently being served by cesspools or septic systems. The Township proposes to extend a gravity sewer main to give those homes the opportunity to convert to a sanitary sewer system. The cost of the project will be paid with remaining grant funds from a 2011 state grant.

Mr. Lanciano moved to award the contact to the low bidder, A. Gargiule & Sons, Inc. with a bid price of \$381,350.00, contingent upon their execution of the contract and supply of the required bonds and insurance. Seconded by Dr. Janiczek and carried.

SALE OF TOWNSHIP
OWNED LOT

Dr. Janiczek stated the Township advertised a notice in the Delaware County Daily Times on February 17, 2016 for solicitation of bids for the sale of a Township-owned vacant lot, (2,446 sq. ft.) located at the southwest side of Philmar Court. He moved that the sole bid received be awarded to bidder, Paul Giacomucci, in the amount of \$500.00. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

RESOLUTION #5-16
Disposal of Records

On motion of Mr. Wechsler, Resolution #5-16 was approved authorizing the disposal of municipal records in accordance with the schedule set forth in the Municipalities Record Act (P.L. 428). Seconded by Mrs. Sage and carried.

RESOLUTION #6-16
Zoning Hearing Board

Mr. Kelly moved for the adoption of Resolution #6-16 appointing Stephen Lucas, 300 Summit Road, as an alternate member of the Zoning Hearing Board. The term expires June 12, 2018. Seconded by Mrs. Sage and carried.

LAND DEVELOPMENT
1521 Wallingford Road

Mr. Lanciano moved to approve the Preliminary/Final Land Development Plan for 1521 Wallingford Road, contingent upon the Township Engineer's report dated February 2, 2016. The applicant, Quinta Raddison, Inc., proposes to construct a 553 sq. ft. building addition to an existing commercial building. Seconded by Dr. Janiczek and carried.

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On motion of Mr. Kelly, Margaret Wagner, 230 Sunnybrook Road, was reappointed to a three year term on the Library Board. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

Library Board

Dr. Janiczek moved to reappoint Thomas Grubb, 551 Prospect Road, to another five year term on the Park Board. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

Park Board

Mr. George Miller, 311 Alliston Road, comments and questions:

PUBLIC COMMENT

- happy to see some of the large trees were cut down along Rt. 420 at Kerr Park;
- suggested the Township look into solar panels for our street lights and sell the electricity back to the grid;
- asked if the Township will get additional rent from the Country Club since they are moving the spa. Mr. Fulton replied the spa is not moving. The Country Club Director will be moving his office from the Taylor Evan House to a new building at the Country Club and the operator of the Country Club will be taking over the Taylor Evans House. Additional rent will be charged for use of the house;
- asked for an update with the cracks in the concrete decking at the Pool

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

ADJOURNMENT
(8:40 p.m.)