

NOVEMBER 12, 2008

REGULAR MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners was called to order by President Mahoney at 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 12, 2008 in the Township Building.

ROLL CALL

The following other Commissioners were present: Messrs. Janiczek, Wechsler, Rudolph, Devenney and Lanciano. Mr. McAndrews was absent. Also present were Mr. LeFevre, Mrs. Warner and Kelly Sullivan, Esq. of McNichol, Byrne & Matlawski.

INVOCATION

The Invocation was given by Pastor Robert Duvall of Springfield Baptist Church , which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROCLAMATION

Mr. Rudolph read a Proclamation naming November 15, 2008 as “America Recycles Day” in Springfield by promoting awareness on the importance of reducing waste.

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.

Planning

Mr. Wechsler reported at the November 2nd meeting of the Planning Commission only one item was reviewed regarding an addition to Voski’s Jewelers, 228 Baltimore Pike. The Planning Commission recommended, with conditions, that the plan be passed on to the Zoning Hearing Board.

Ice Rink

Mr. Wechsler reported the Ice Rink is now open for public skating. He read the schedule of public skating sessions. Admission to all sessions is \$5.00.

Veterans

Mr. Wechsler stated as the country celebrated Veterans Day yesterday, he would like to personally thank all those residents of Springfield who have served our armed forces. He suggested from time to time we recognize those individuals from

Springfield that have returned from service from Afghanistan or Iraq. He noted recently a 4th ward resident, Sean Sweeney, a marine, just returned from Iraq. He asked those that have a loved one, neighbor or friend that is returning to contact him or one of the other commissioners so we can plan on recognizing them with a resolution and our personal thanks.

Mr. Rudolph stated in regard to recycling and through the hard work of the Environmental Committee, Springfield continues to be one of the leaders in the county. The Committee recently submitted an application to a Coastal Zone Management Program for \$50,000 that will fund the second phase of construction of storm management improvements on the municipal property between the Township Building and Library. Also, a second grant to the PA Department of Environmental Protection on the Growing Greener Grant application was submitted in May for \$63,000. This will fund the first phase of construction of the storm water management improvements.

Mr. Lanciano announced the Library received the National Endowment for the Humanities Grant, entitled "Picturing America". This grant seeks to strengthen the teaching, study and understanding of America history and founding principals. Illustrations will be on display at the Library through December 2008. Books and other materials related to American history will also be on display. He read a list of children and adult programs being held at the Library. Toys for Tots barrels have been placed in the upper and lower entrances of the Library. New and unwrapped toys are being accepted until December 10th.

Mr. Mahoney reported the Fire Company participated in the annual Delaware County Firefighters Competition held in Rose Tree Park. Competing against twenty other fire company teams, Springfield Fire Company won several awards, including the Overall Team Grand Champions

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Winner of the Delaware County. Also, on October 19th, the Springfield Fire Company participated in the annual Philadelphia Fire Prevention competition, with our fire company also winning several awards.

BILLS SUBMITTED

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

TREASURER'S REPORT

On motion of Dr. Janiczek, seconded by Mr. Wechsler, the Treasurer's Report was accepted and ordered filed.

BIDS: Diesel Fuel/Gasoline

Mr. Lanciano moved to award the sole bid for Diesel Fuel/Gasoline to Sun Company at \$2.5567 per gallon for diesel fuel and \$1.9356 per gallon for gasoline. Seconded by Mr. Devenney and carried.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE Tax Certification

Mr. Devenney read a proposed ordinance authorizing the Township Treasurer/Tax Collector to provide tax certifications in an amount not to exceed \$10 per certification to be retained by the Township Treasurer. The Treasurer/Tax Collection is also authorized to provide duplicate bills and charge a fee in the amount of \$10 per tax bill for Township and duplicate School District tax bills, which fee shall be collected and retained by the Township Treasurer/Tax Collector. He moved that the proposed ordinance be accepted for its first reading and advertised. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

RESOLUTION #13-08 Master Casting Agreement

Mr. Wechsler moved for the adoption of Resolution No.13-08 authorizing the proper officers of the Township to execute a Master Casting Agreement with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation. Seconded by Mr. Rudolph and carried.

PENNDOT ELECTRONIC ACCESS AGREEMENT

Mr. Lanciano moved to accept the agreement authorizing electronic access to PENNDOT systems. Seconded by Mr. Devenney and carried.

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Mr. Charles Mullen, 624 Old School House Drive, stated he hopes the Board reduce taxes by 10% and gives residents a rebate.

Dr. Janiczek moved that the meeting be adjourned to November 25, 2008 for presentation of the 2009 budget. Seconded by Mr. Rudolph and carried.

AUDIENCE

ADJOURNMENT
(8:17 p.m.)