

MINUTES
LEGISLATIVE MEETING – JULY 15, 2020

The July 15, 2020 Legislative Meeting of the Lower Swatara Township Board of Commissioners was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by President Jon G. Wilt. The following officials were in attendance:

- Jon G. Wilt, President
- Todd F. Truntz, Vice President
- Ronald J. Paul, Assistant Secretary
- Michael J. Davies, Commissioner
- Christopher DeHart, Commissioner
- Betsy McBride, Township Manager
- Jean R. Arroyo, Township Secretary
- Peter R. Henninger, Solicitor (via phone)
- Shawn Fabian, HRG (via phone)
- Daniel Tingle, Acting Chief
- Rebecca McClain, Accountant

Residents and visitors in attendance: (please see attached sign-in sheet)

President Wilt welcomed everyone to the meeting, and opened the floor for public comment.

PRESENTATION OF 2019 AUDIT BY RKL

Samantha Claar, a manager in the audit services line at RKL, first thanked Ms. McBride, Ms. McClain and Ms. Burke for their assistance during the on-site audit last year. Ms. Claar then briefly reviewed the 2019 draft audited financial statements. The conclusion of the audit was that there were no material errors or findings for 2019. The Board thanked Ms. Claar and Ms. McClain for the nice job.

REVIEW OF 457B PLAN BY LANGAN FINANCIAL GROUP

Alex Langan, Langan Financial Group, provided the Board with the annual plan review benchmarking report for the Lower Swatara Township 457B Plan. This is a voluntary deferred compensation plan that employees may join through payroll deduction. It is a supplemental plan, separate from the Township's retirement plan. As of June 30, 2020, there are about \$135,000

worth of assets in the plan so it is relatively small. Again, the municipality does not put any money into the plan. It is entirely funded through payroll deductions. In response to a question from Commissioner Davies, Mr. Langan noted there are twelve employees participating in the plan. This has been growing with the assistance of Ms. McBride, who is a strong advocate of the plan. Mr. Langan added the plan is down about 9% as of March 31. He stated his feeling that it could be doing better in hitting the benchmarks, so he will continue to monitor and possibly look at other options. The June 30 numbers will be in shortly, and should show some improvement.

EAGLE SCOUT PRESENTATION

Nathan Russo, a Life Scout at Boy Scout Troop 594 in Middletown, presented a proposal for his Eagle Scout Project. His plan is to erect flag poles dedicated to the military at Memorial Field, outside of the fence in centerfield, adjacent to the current flagpole for the American flag. Mr. Russo noted he will purchase five flagpoles, and one flag for each of the Armed Forces of the United States – Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, and Coast Guard. This project will include raising approximately \$4,000 for the purchase of the poles and flags and for construction. The fundraising will be done through soliciting funds from individuals and businesses. After installation, Mr. Russo will lead other scouts to landscape and plant flowers around the flagpoles. During the presentation of the five flags, the field will be dedicated to the Armed Forces of the USA. Due to the coronavirus, there is not a firm date for the dedication. Tentatively, construction is planned for mid-September with dedication on October 10, 2020. American Legion Post 594 will play a role in dedicating the field. Mr. Russo added that this project will bring awareness and recognition to the men and women who serve and have served in the military, allowing the US citizens to enjoy freedom.

The Commissioners concurred that this is an excellent project. A motion was made by President Wilt, seconded by Commissioner Paul, to approve the Eagle Scout Project at Memorial Field as presented by Nathan Russo. The motion was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by Commissioner DeHart, seconded by Vice President Truntz, to approve the Minutes of the July 1, 2020 Workshop Meeting. The motion was unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

A motion was made by Commissioner Davies, seconded by Commissioner DeHart, to approve the payment of bills as presented on Warrant No. 2020-6. The motion was unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT:

A motion was made by Commissioner Paul, seconded by Commissioner DeHart, to approve the Treasurer's Report for June 2020. The motion was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS:

Police Department

Acting Chief Tingle provided the summary of statistics for the Police Department for the month of June. There were 22 part 1 crimes, which included 13 assaults and 9 larcenies. There were 26 part II crimes, 474 calls for service (up 21% from the previous month), and 42 investigations which thus far has resulted in 21 arrestees. Traffic enforcement is down significantly since a large amount of the population is not as mobile. Total calls are down significantly compared to the first part of 2019, but crime is up slightly compared to the same period last year. There were 21 total auto accidents investigated for the month. Due to the Covid state of emergency, the motor carrier enforcement requirements were suspended in March. However, the program was opened back up in the last few weeks.

Commissioner Davies asked if the small increase in crime is attributed to the holiday and fireworks. Acting Chief Tingle responded no fireworks-related arrests were made. A number of calls were received and responded to, but by the time officers got to the area in question, they could not attribute the fireworks to anyone. Most of the increase compared to last month was actually domestic violence. Commissioner Paul noted that Shope Gardens had a pretty significant fireworks display, as his family observed from their front porch.

Commissioner DeHart remarked that he has not seen the flashing speed display sign out for some time now, and suggested it may be time to put it out between Route 283 and the high school. Acting Chief Tingle explained that the sign has been put out in response to complaints, but there have been no complaints about North Union Street until now. He agreed to pursue this. He added that the police department will also be participating in the third wave of the aggressive driving program. Officers will be doing targeted enforcement, and North Union Street is always a common spot to target.

Fire Department

Ms. McBride provided the monthly report as submitted by the Lower Swatara Fire Department. There are 218 total calls for the year so far. For the month of June, there were 27 total calls with 34 responders, an average of 10 personnel per response. Time in service was 7 hours, 48 minutes, and 37 seconds. Incident breakdown is as follows: 3 fire incidents, 9 rescue and EMS incidents, 1 hazardous condition incident, 10 good intent calls, and 4 false alarms. Mutual aid summary is as follows: Derry Township – 1, Highspire Borough – 2, Londonderry Township – 1, Middletown Borough – 3, PA Turnpike – 1, Steelton Borough – 1, and Swatara Township – 2.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Mr. Fabian referenced his written report, and provided updates.

The Township is still waiting on a revised schedule for mobilization to the field to start construction on the Rosedale Manor stormwater project. However the contractor anticipates this to occur in late August or September 2020. Mr. Fabian added that he and Mr. Lanman did go out to look at a drainage complaint on 2013 Market St. Extended. Verizon Wireless had to do some work in the back utility raceway some time ago and found drainage issues. Staff is trying to evaluate if the new inlet from the change order can be incorporated with some drainage improvements through grading to help alleviate that concern.

There was a substantial completion letter sent out today for the Bradford Avenue Residential Home Demolition project. A punch-list of items will need to be completed before the project is finalized.

The contractor for the Greenfield Park Basin Retrofit and Riparian Buffer project has completed the installation of the riparian buffer, and application for payment #1 is on tonight's

agenda. The basin retrofit construction will occur over the next few weeks. There was concern about the large amount of Japanese beetles in the area over the last few weeks, and Mr. Lanman was looking into traps in order to preserve as many of those trees as possible. Commissioner Paul noted he had taken a walk out there, and observed that the Japanese beetle traps have already been installed. Commissioner Davies asked if there have been allowances made to water this area, as this summer is unusually dry. Mr. Fabian agreed that watering is being done, and will be monitored as the summer progresses. Commissioner Paul added that in talking to the public works staff, he understands that they are doing this watering on a daily basis.

The final revisions to the Township Comprehensive Recreation, Park and Open Space (PROS) Plan were processed, and it was submitted to DCNR for review on July 7. It is anticipated that final approval of the plan by the Board of Commissioners will be at the August 19, 2020 meeting.

In response to a question from Commissioner DeHart regarding the Fiddler's Elbow Road Box Culvert near North Union Street, Mr. Fabian reported that he and Commissioner Paul had taken a walk out there to evaluate the concerns with the wing wall on the outlet side of this box culvert. A rock fell when the slope eroded underneath of it, and it hit and cracked the wing wall over a year ago. Though it appears stable at the moment, HRG is planning to put a paint mark at the wing wall crack to see if any shifting is occurring in order to determine whether a more immediate fix needs to occur. From the photos that were shared, it looks like there is concrete and steel beam erosion taking place. Replacement of this culvert should be planned in the next five years. Mr. Lanman had mentioned that this was budgeted into the Stormwater Fee under Project 2 (2021-2023 timeframe). Commissioner DeHart asked if the bridge over the Swatara Creek is planned for replacement next year. He noted he believes HRG is involved with this project. Mr. Fabian confirmed this is correct, with construction in 2021.

The notice to proceed with the Spring Garden Drive Culvert Replacement Project is waiting until coordination can be made for the required easements.

There was a meeting yesterday, led by Bruce Hulshizer from HRG, regarding the stormwater utility implementation. Right now, the target start date is September 1, 2020, which would go out in the October 2020 utility bill.

An update was provided on the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Program. The new MS4 coordinator, Brian Davis, is expected to begin on July 20 and HRG will provide training support.

Staff and HRG have been discussing the PFBC Boating Facility Grant Application. HRG will prepare a scope and fee for Board approval for the design and permitting of the site for approval at a future meeting. Board comments regarding adequacy of parking given observed usage this year have been received and will be incorporated into the final design. There is also a temporary parking plan prepared by Mr. Lanman to address current heavy use in the area. Ms. McBride reported that there will also be signage added to show drivers where to park. If they park responsibly, 40 cars should be able to fit. If they park haphazardly, only 25 will fit. However, this will still keep cars off the roadway itself. Commissioner Paul asked if the Township has received any complaints from the property owners down there, specifically the larger businesses that seem to get the overflow parking. Ms. McBride responded she has not received complaints, and in fact thought about calling them together to ask if they would be willing to provide some of their parking area for this use. Commissioner DeHart stated he has received numerous complaints from the property owner on the south of the Township's property, including trash complaints. Commissioner Paul recalled discussions about putting dumpsters back there, and suggested this be thoroughly thought out first, because it may be abused. Ms. McBride explained that she would like to put a dumpster back there over the Labor Day weekend. She agreed that having a dumpster back there permanently could result in it becoming a dump site. Right now, however, there seems to be more trash back there from the weekends than there are dumpsters, although people do seem to be bagging the trash. Commissioner Paul commented that he was back there early on a Monday morning and observed the public works loading the trash in a dump truck and a front end loader. He agreed that it did appear to be bagged in one spot rather than thrown all around the place. He suggested the first step would be to determine costs of the current method of this trash pick-up by the Township. Commissioner Paul added that it would be helpful if the Township could somehow get a feel for the frequency of these large events. Commissioner DeHart suggested the Township try to determine the organizers of these events. Solicitor Henninger agreed this is an excellent idea. Sitting down with the organizers could help immensely. Commissioner DeHart asked Acting Chief Tingle if there were any calls down there over the holiday weekend. Acting Chief Tingle responded there

was one last month regarding a trespassing issue on the Dickerson property. That is the only call so far this year related to use of the creek and the boat launch area.

Mr. Fabian provided an update on the RACP Grant for Richard L. Shireman Park Development. An additional extension request was filed which, if approved, would give the Township until February of 2021. Mr. Fabian anticipated that this will probably be the last extension required.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Solicitor Henninger referenced Mr. Fabian's report regarding the Spring Garden Drive Culvert Replacement Project and the coordination of easements. One of the four property owners signed her easements tonight. Solicitor Henninger added that two of the other property owners are residential, and one is a corporate owner. He asked Mr. Fabian if there would be an issue with the notice to proceed for the project if the Board were to delay the resolution for condemnation, which is on tonight's agenda, for three more weeks (August 5 meeting). This would probably not allow access until September 15. Mr. Fabian explained that there were 60 days to accept the contract, and this was done. He added he is not aware of a required timeframe between the notice of award and notice to proceed. Now that the notice of award is in the contractor's hands, they still need to provide bonding, which does take some time. The contractor may, however, want an adjustment to the substantial completion date which should not be a problem. Solicitor Henninger stated the Board can either proceed with the resolution tonight, deleting the one property owner who provided her easements tonight, or wait three more weeks to see if the additional easements can be secured.

Solicitor Henninger reported that the Governor and Secretary of Health just issued new orders walking back some of the restrictions for inside gatherings and restaurants, and encouraging teleworking. This does not apply to any level of government in Pennsylvania. No action specifically affects Lower Swatara Township, but this situation will be closely monitored.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Covid-19

Ms. McBride reported that on May 15, there were 912 cases of Covid in Dauphin County. On June 15, the number was 1,655 and as of today there are 2,325. Numbers continue to rise.

Parks Update

Over the past several weeks, parks have been sprayed/sanitized daily, seven days a week. Anything that can be touched is sprayed – swings, benches, picnic tables. Ms. McBride stated she is not sure how much this really helps, since everything is sprayed only one time in the morning. There is a cost of not only the chemicals but also the manpower to spray on the weekends. Ms. McBride recommended this procedure be continued only until the end of July. This will give time to post new signs stating that the equipment is not sanitized and suggesting users sanitize before use, wear masks, social distance, etc. She asked the Board's authorization to stop spraying on a daily basis effective August 1. In response to a question from Commissioner Paul, Ms. McBride confirmed she has been in touch with Staples about ordering these signs. The signs in place currently state that the parks are being sprayed once a day and users need to wear masks and social distance. Commissioner DeHart remarked that once again, the Governor may be making a decision for the Township. Ms. McBride agreed that it is possible the playgrounds could be closed again. The Board members agreed that in the meantime, Ms. McBride recommendation is a good one.

Use of EIP Grant funds

Ms. McBride reported that the Township received grants for the EIP – Early Intervention Program. Grant 1 was to conduct the study. Grant 2 was to help the Township implement the study, and there are some funds left over from that grant. She asked Board authorization to move some of the designations around in order to buy equipment for these meetings should they need to go remote again. This may include items such as cameras, notepads, etc., all related to upgrading the system. Commissioner DeHart remarked that some of these items are already recommended in the study. Ms. McBride agreed, and explained the purchases are just being moved up due to Covid. She explained this would be an adjustment in the grant line items, and therefore the Township would need to put in a request for this shift of funding. The Board expressed no objection to doing so.

Tax Credit for Fire Volunteers

There had been some discussion several months ago about a tax credit for fire volunteers. Ms. McBride explained that since that time, the individual she was dealing with at the state is no longer in that position. She is working with a new person, and has also been in touch with the state fire commissioner. In front of the Board tonight is some information regarding tax credits

and considerations that can be given to volunteer firefighters. For example, the Township may decide to give them a 20% credit on their real estate taxes. However, this applies only to those having homes in Lower Swatara Township. There would be certain criteria that the firefighters would need to meet to be eligible for this credit. Ms. McBride explained that in the case of a percentage real estate tax credit, the firefighter would pay the full bill to the county and then the Township would cut them a check for the credit. An earned income tax concession could also be given to the firefighters as well. More information will be forthcoming. Ms. McBride added that this will can be worked into the 2021 budget. Commissioner Paul suggested this be looked into with the Township's own personnel to see how this could work out. Ms. McBride agreed, and noted she does not feel that it will be an enormous figure but may encourage more residents to volunteer with the fire department, which would be a good thing. Commissioner DeHart added that coordination with the fire department would also be necessary, as someone would need to maintain some type of data base.

Future Meetings/Events:

July 22	7 PM	CANCELLED: Zoning Hearing Board
July 23	7 PM	Planning Commission Meeting
July 27	7 PM	Municipal Authority Meeting
August 5	7 PM	Board of Commissioners' Workshop Meeting

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Public Safety Committee: Commissioner Paul reported that the Lower Swatara Township Historical Preservation Society will hold a meeting tomorrow night, beginning at 6:00 P.M., at the fire department. There will be a presentation of the Fulling Mill Inn Bed, Breakfast and Restaurant by the owners, Paula and Duane Rhodes. Commissioner Paul also noted that he and Vice President Truntz had received a text from a fire department representative reminding them of the discussion earlier in the year with fire department personnel on the status of maintenance expenditures for the fire station. Commissioner Paul suggested that discussions be pursued on this. Vice President Truntz added that Commissioner DeHart had spoken to a consultant. He suggested the Board sit down with the consultant, who is an expert in the field and can take an objective look at the financial status and needs of the fire department. Commissioner Paul stated he would advocate the Board come up with some dates to do this as soon as possible.

Budget and Finance Committee: Commissioner Davies reported that he had met with Ms. McClain and Ms. McBride to review the financials for the first half of the year. In 2020 so far, the Township is up \$23,000 over the first half in 2019. Expenses are down by \$112,000 for the similar period. Earned income tax revenues will need to be watched. There doesn't seem to be a dip in this second quarter, but this may have to do with how it is collected and recorded. There will probably be an impact seen in the third quarter. SARAA parking receipts are only about half of what they were last year. It is unknown how the MMO (Minimum Municipal Obligation) for the pension will work out due to Covid. Since the casinos only had a partial year opening, there will most likely be a dramatic reduction on gaming commission local share funds that are distributed to the county. For the first half of 2019, engineering costs were \$269,977. For the first half of 2020, they are \$309,040. That does include the Township as well as MS4 fees and Municipal Authority fees. Legal fees for the first half of 2019 were \$86,976. In 2020 for the same period, the total is \$117,311. As of June 30, the Parks and Recreation Fund balance is \$413,740. The 2020 budget does include a transfer of \$350,000 from the General Fund to Parks, but this has not been done yet due to the uncertainty of the financial picture for the year. In Liquid Fuels, the June 30 balance was \$1,252,858; the Township will probably be spending about \$600,000 of that in the 2020 budget year. Ms. McBride reference the legal fees, and noted the Township does have the issue with Highspire going on as well as the arbitration. In regards to engineering fees, there are some big projects such as UPS that have increased this category. Commissioner Paul asked if some of these expenses are reimbursable costs. Commissioner Davies responded they hopefully are. Commissioner Davies thanked Ms. McClain and Ms. McBride for their assistance with this review.

Public Works Committee: Vice President Truntz reported the crew is finishing up the prep work for paving and is performing routine park maintenance, right of way mowing, and other summer projects.

Community Development: Commissioner DeHart noted he had nothing to report, but would like to request a brief executive session immediately upon conclusion of this meeting for personnel matters.

Personnel Committee: President Wilt reported that at the last meeting, the Board approved the hiring of Brian Davis as MS4 coordinator. Later on tonight's agenda will be approval to hire Bruce Henry as Construction Code Official and Dominic Visconti as Chief of Police. All three will begin their employment on July 20.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Vice President Truntz noted he is not sure that this is unfinished business, but there was discussion about purchasing a police vehicle since one was recently totaled. There is also a police vehicle with a bad transmission. Ms. McBride agreed that the 2014 vehicle with the transmission issue is probably not worth fixing. Vice President Truntz asked if the Board would like to approve the purchase of a new vehicle, and use the insurance payout when it comes in. He noted his concern is that these vehicles are sold very quickly. Ms. McBride agreed, and stated she would like to put the Township's name in with the dealership. Commissioner DeHart asked if two vehicles should be purchased. Commissioner Davies stated his feeling is that the totaled vehicle should be replaced now. A motion was made by Vice President Truntz, seconded by Commissioner Paul, to approve the ordering and purchase of a police vehicle under the Costars Program to replace the 2020 Explorer that was recently totaled in an accident. The motion was unanimously approved. Solicitor Henninger interjected that he understands the 2014 vehicle is worth \$1,200 and the cost to replace the transmission is \$3,400. He recommended the Board talk to Township mechanic Rodger Mason to see if the vehicle should just be auctioned off. The Board agreed to get Mr. Mason's input prior to taking any formal action.

NEW BUSINESS:

Maintenance Guarantee releases

A motion was made by Commissioner DeHart, seconded by Vice President Truntz, to approve the Maintenance Guarantee release for Penn State Walkway, File #SW2015-02 in the amount of \$7,800.00 leaving a balance of \$0 and closing out the project. The motion was unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Commissioner Davies, seconded by Commissioner Paul, to approve the Maintenance Guarantee release for Soccer Shots, File #PC2017-01 in the amount of

\$9,611.25 leaving a balance of \$0 and closing out the project. The motion was unanimously approved.

Improvement Guarantee releases

The Board discussed the Improvement Guarantee Release #4 for Woodridge Phase II Section 9, File #PC2018-02 in the amount of \$18,669.00. Vice President Truntz asked if the Township is satisfied that the grading and flooding issue there is resolved. Ms. McBride explained this was held up because in the fall, the Township didn't feel the seeding had taken place enough. Staff is now satisfied that it has. There is a minor issue with a pipe, but Triple Crown does not seem to be inclined to address it. Mr. Fabian added that back in October, they were asking for a full release. The Township held on to that \$18,669 for additional items, mostly pertinent to stabilization. That stabilization has substantially happened over the past nine months, so approval is recommended. Commissioner DeHart questioned the pipe issue. Mr. Fabian explained they have a discharge pipe from the valve pit that is discharging over the curb into an inlet. The Township had asked them to tie it into the inlet, but they are concerned about digging behind the curb where the gas line currently sits. Mr. Fabian reported that he did not notice any substantial discharges from that over the winter. It does not seem to be problematic. Solicitor Henninger explained this is not part of the plan, just a request, and he does not feel the Township has any basis to force them to make that connection. A motion was made by Vice President Truntz, seconded by Commissioner Paul, to approve Improvement Guarantee Release #4 for Woodridge Phase II Section 9, File #PC2018-02 in the amount of \$18,669.00 leaving a balance of \$0 and closing out the project. The motion was unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Vice President Truntz, seconded by Commissioner Davies, to approve the Improvement Guarantee release for Old Reliance, Section 18-A, File #PC2004-17 in the amount of \$1,894.00 leaving a balance of \$0 and closing out the project. The motion was unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Commissioner DeHart, seconded by Commissioner Paul, to approve the Improvement Guarantee release #5 for Old Reliance, Section 18-B, File #PC2010-01 in the amount of \$68,667.45, leaving a balance of \$3,043.01. The motion was unanimously approved.

Resolution No. 2020-R-10 for acquisition of easements

As discussed earlier, the Board agreed to table Resolution No. 2020-R-10, authorizing the acquisition of temporary construction easements and permanent easements for the Spring Garden Drive Pipes Replacement Project.

Payment #1 for Riper Buffer Planting and Basin Retrofit at Greenfield Park

A motion was made by Vice President Truntz, seconded by Commissioner Paul, to approve Application for Payment #1 to Custer Excavating for \$36,182.97 for the 2019 LST MEII Water Quality Improvement Project (Riparian Buffer Planting and Basin Retrofit at Greenfield Park). The motion was unanimously approved.

Resolution No. 2020-R-11 for GTRP grant

The Board discussed proposed Resolution No. 2020-R-11, requesting a Greenways, Trails and Recreation Program (GTRP) grant of \$250,000 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA) to be used for planning and development of the Richard L Shireman tract as a central park for the Township by funding creation of passive recreational opportunities to include new access drive, parking, a trail network and a pollinator meadow. Commissioner Davies noted that the description title of the resolution in his Board packet shows the amount to be \$25,000 rather than \$250,000 and will need to be corrected. Mr. Fabian explained this is corrected in the copy in front of the Board for signature tonight. It also clarifies that Lower Swatara Township, not the Board itself, will be applying for the grant. A motion was made by Commissioner Davies, seconded by Vice President Truntz, to approve Resolution No. 2020-R-11 which requests a Greenways, Trails and Recreation Program (GTRP) grant of \$250,000 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA) to be used for planning and development of the Richard L Shireman tract as a central park for the Township by funding creation of passive recreational opportunities to include new access drive, parking, a trail network and a pollinator meadow. The motion was unanimously approved. Ms. McBride added that she would like to include in the record that this grant requires a 15% match, so she is hopeful the Township is successful in getting this grant.

Retainer Agreement w/HRG for 2020 CFA Grant Submission of GTRP Grant

A motion was made by Commissioner DeHart, seconded by Commissioner Davies, to approve a Retainer Agreement with HRG, in the amount of \$8,000, for the 2020 CFA Grant

Submission for a Greenways, Trails and Recreation Program Grant. The motion was unanimously approved.

Hiring of Construction Code Official

A motion was made by Commissioner DeHart, seconded by Commissioner Davies, to approve the hiring of Bruce Henry as a Construction Code Official with an effective start date of July 20, 2020. The motion was unanimously approved.

Hiring of Chief of Police

A motion was made by Vice President Truntz, seconded by Commissioner Davies, to approve the hiring of Dominic Visconti as Chief of Police with an effective start date of July 20, 2020. The motion was unanimously approved.

GOOD AND WELFARE:

Commissioner DeHart stated it is nice to have the Commissioners and most of the staff back in the room tonight, as well as the public. He expressed hopes that this can continue.

Commissioner Davies thanked Ms. McClain and Ms. McBride for their assistance in the budget update, and stated it was nice to hear some good news in this time of uncertainty. He welcomed the new Chief of Police and new Construction Code Official on board.

Commissioner Paul asked Mr. Fabian when the paving will begin for the five or six roads earmarked this year. Mr. Fabian explained that this can happen once bonding is in place, and anticipated the project can begin in the next few weeks. Commissioner Paul thanked Ms. McClain for always doing a fine job on the finance end of operations. He welcome Chief Visconti on board, and thanked Acting Chief Tingle for his service.

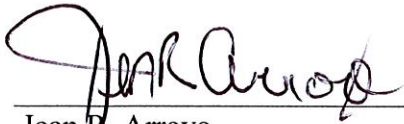
Vice President Truntz thanked Ms. McClain for a fine job on a clean audit and expressed appreciation for her efforts in the finance department. He welcomed Mr. Henry and Chief Visconti on board, and thanked Acting Chief Tingle for stepping up and filling in during the interim.

President Wilt welcomed Mr. Henry and Chief Visconti and thanked Ms. McClain and everyone involved in the smooth audit process.

ADJOURN AND CONVENE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Hearing no other comments, a motion was made by Vice President Truntz, seconded by Commissioner Paul, to adjourn the meeting and convene into executive session. The motion was unanimously approved, and the meeting adjourned at 8:38 P.M.

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "JEAN E. ARROYO", written over a horizontal line.

Jean E. Arroyo
Township Secretary

PLEASE PRINT NAME CLEARLY

July 15, 2020 Legislative Mtg – 7:00 P.M.

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