

East Norriton Township – Regular Meeting  
February 17, 2009

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of East Norriton Township was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Lewis McQuirns, at 7:05 p.m. on Tuesday, February 17, 2009, at the Township Municipal Building. Supervisors present were Lewis K. McQuirns, Donald J. Gracia, James K. Staufenberg, James J. Serratore and Karen “Kandy” Heckman.

Following roll call, Mr. Gracia offered a prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance was then recited by all in attendance.

The Chairman and Board of Supervisors commended the Public Works Department on the recent snow events and clearing the Township streets in record time.

The Chairman called on Montgomery County Commissioner James Matthews who presented the Board of Supervisors with a grant check for Open Space in the amount of \$880,000.00.

The Chairman introduced the next item on the agenda, Proclamation 100 years East Norriton Township. Mr. “Bud” Denner, Chairman of the Centennial Committee read Proclamations into record that will be sent to the County, State and Federal Government officials. Mr. Serratore made a motion to approve the Proclamation. After requesting any comment and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Staufenberg and approved unanimously.

The Chairman read into record a letter from Governor, Edward G. Rendell dated February 20, 2009 congratulating East Norriton Township on its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

The Board of Supervisors presented certificates to the student winners, Colleen Sheridan, Danielle Martorella and Erik Errington of the Township Road (century Drive) Naming contest.

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The Chairman introduced the next item on the agenda, 2008 Distinguished Citizen award. Mr. Staufenberg read and presented Joe Pilcicki with a certificate for 2008 Distinguished Citizen recognizing his 15 years of dedicated service to the Norriton Fire Engine Company.

The Chairman introduced the next item on the agenda, Resolution No. 2438 – James K. Strange – Dedicated Public Official. Mr. Gracia read Resolution No. 2438 into record and presented James K. Strange with a proclamation for his twenty-five years of dedicated service as a member of the East Norriton Township Planning Commission and as a member of the East Norriton Township Zoning Hearing Board. Mr. Staufenberg made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2438. After requesting any comment and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Gracia and approved unanimously.

The Chairman introduced the next item on the agenda, Resolution No. 2439 – Geoffrey D. Brandon – Dedicated Public Official. Mr. Serratore read Resolution No. 2439 into record and presented Geoffrey D. Brandon with a proclamation for faithfully serving East Norriton Township for five years as a member of the East Norriton Township Industrial Development Authority. Mr. Staufenberg made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2439. After requesting any comment and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Serratore and approved unanimously.

The Chairman introduced the next item on the agenda, Resolution No. 2440 – Robert Lee Schmidt – Dedicated Public Official. Mr. McQuirms read into record Resolution No. 2440 recognizing Robert Lee Schmidt for faithfully serving East Norriton Township for five years as a member of the East Norriton Planning Commission. Mr. Staufenberg made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2440. After requesting any

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comment and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Serratore and approved unanimously.

The Chairman introduced the next item on the agenda, Presentation on “Mission Kids” and DeSage Park. Bill Owens of Robert E. Blue Consulting Engineers first gave a power point presentation on the Mission Kids project. Police Chief, John McGowan introduced Abby Newman Director of Mission Kids. Mr. Owens then provided a power point presentation on the Desage Park development. Gordon McGowan of 3317 E. Hayes Road asked if the entire area would be leveled/cleared to develop. Mr. Owens reported that the building and much of the ecology will remain.

The Chairman called on Police Chief, John McGowan to provide a report on police activity in the township. Police Chief, John McGowan provided a report on the police activity in the Township and reviewed the traffic violation tickets that were issued on North Wales Road.

The Chairman announced that the Board of Supervisors met on January 29, 2009 in executive session and earlier this evening in executive session to interview Planning Commission candidates and to discuss matters of litigation and personnel.

Mr. Gracia made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 23, 2008 and the Re-Organization meeting of January 5, 2009 and the Regular Meeting of January 5, 2009. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mrs. Heckman and approved unanimously.

The Chairman introduced the next item on the agenda, Finance Reports for December, 2008 and January, 2009. Mrs. Heckman made a motion to approve the Finance Reports and Receipts and Warrants for December, 2008 and January, 2009.

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After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Staufenberg and approved unanimously.

The Chairman requested that the reading of the Committee Reports for December, 2008 and January, 2009 be deferred and also, commented that the Committee Reports were available on the table in the back of the meeting room. Mr. Staufenberg made a motion to approve the Committee Reports for December, 2008 and January, 2009. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mrs. Heckman and approved unanimously.

The Chairman asked if there were any questions of the committee reports, there were none.

The Chairman asked if there were any citizens to be heard; Diana Viglianese of 3105 Whitehall Road questioned why the meeting was being held on the third Tuesday instead of the fourth Tuesday the month. Nick Viglianese of 3105 Whitehall Road questioned the traffic problem with the car wash on Germantown Pike. Police Chief, John McGowan responded to Mr. Viglianese's questions. Mr. Staufenberg expressed that the Board of Supervisors is extremely concerned with this situation at the car wash. Mr. Viglianese questioned if the township has a full-time fire fighter on staff. Mr. Staufenberg explained the responsibilities of the two new employees and the need for daytime drivers.

Mrs. Heckman introduced the first item under "Old Business", Ordinance No. 513 – Amending Police Pension Plan. Assistant Township Manager, Donald Delamater reviewed Ordinance 513. Mr. Staufenberg made a motion to adopt Ordinance 513. After

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requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mrs. Heckman and approved unanimously.

Mr. Staufenberg introduced the next item on the agenda, Ordinance No. 514 – Amending Employee’s Pension Plan. Assistant Township Manager, Donald Delamater reviewed Ordinance 514. Mrs. Heckman made a motion to adopt Ordinance 514. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Staufenberg and approved unanimously.

Mrs. Heckman introduced the next item on the agenda, Waivers – East Norriton Industrial Park – Lot #5. Township Engineer, Bob Blue reviewed the waiver requests. Mrs. Heckman made a motion to approve the waivers requested. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Staufenberg and approved unanimously. Nick Viglianese of 3105 Whitehall Road questioned how deep the basin is and the need for a fence along the sidewalks. Mr. Staufenberg made a motion to reapprove the waivers with the exception to require a fence along Germantown Pike frontage of the basin. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mrs. Heckman and approved unanimously.

Mr. Staufenberg introduced the next item on the agenda, Liberty Bell Trail – Update. Parks and Recreation Director, Larry Brown reported there is no new update.

Mrs. Heckman introduced the next item on the agenda, Bocce Courts - Update. Parks and Recreation Director, Larry Brown reported that the plans are being worked on and will be ready for the April regular meeting.

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Mr. Staufenberg introduced the next item on the agenda, Development and Construction Updates. Code Enforcement Director, Bryan Bortnichak reported: Einstein final plans are being reviewed by the consultants.

Mrs. Heckman introduced the next item on the agenda, Storm Drainage Issues/Projects. Township Engineer, Bob Blue provided a draft report of all the storm drainage issues in the township to the staff and will present the report to the Board of Supervisors at next month's meeting.

Mr. Staufenberg introduced the next item on the agenda, Traffic Issues. Staff Engineer, Doug Jones reviewed discussions with PADOT about projects and traffic congestion management improvements. Jerry Baker of Traffic Planning and Design, Inc. reviewed the three proposals for North Wales Road. Mr. Baker stated that he will prepare a proposal to just gather data to determine if there is a problem on North Wales Road. Richard Schmidt of 505 Marcia Lane expressed that there is a problem with high speed limits north of Township Line Road. Essi Crawford of 2921 North Wales Road expressed concerns with the high rate of speeding and volume on North Wales Road. Fran Merriman of 2950 North Wales Road questioned how many signs or lights are allowed to be placed on your property. John Barrett of 2932 North Wales Road expressed problems with cars not stopping when turning right onto North Wales Road off of Germantown Pike. Mr. Barrett feels that it is not feasible to park on the street on North Wales Road. Mr. Staufenberg made a motion to authorize the scope of work be refined to perform data collection and identify problem areas. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mrs. Heckman and approved unanimously.

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Mr. Gracia introduced the next item on the agenda, Sanitary Sewer Issues. Stu Rosenthal of Gilmore Associates reported that he will give a presentation at the Township Planning Commission tomorrow on the special study which is associated with the development of a new pump station on the future Einstein site. Mr. Rosenthal reviewed the status of the Germantown Pike force main, and stated that they are evaluating the ultimate type of restoration with the pipeline, with the intent to apply for H2O PA grant for the complete rehabilitation of the line.

The Chairman announced that the township is putting all Capital expenditures on hold until June due to the economy. Mr. McQuirns also announced that on March 25, 2009 the Chamber of Commerce will honor Township Manager, Helmuth Baerwald for his excellence in public service in the community.

Mr. Serratore introduced the first item under “New Business”, Appointment to the Township Planning Commission. The Board of Supervisors interviewed candidates on Thursday, January 29, 2009 for the vacancy on the Planning Commission. Mr. Serratore made a motion to appoint Kevin McDevitt to the Planning Commission. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Gracia and approved unanimously.

Mr. Gracia introduced the next item on the agenda, Resolution No. 2441 Proclamation and Greetings – Treptow-Köpenick – Sister Cities/800 year Celebration. Mr. Serratore read into record Resolution No. 2441. Mr. Serratore made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2441. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mrs. Heckman and approved unanimously.

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Mr. Serratore introduced the next item on the agenda, Appointment to the Farm Park Advisory Committee. Due to a vacancy occurring on the Advisory Committee with the retirement of Helmuth Baerwald a replacement should be appointed. Mr. Serratore made a motion to appoint Assistant Township Manager, Donald Delamater to the Farm Park Advisory Committee. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Staufenberg and approved unanimously.

Mr. Gracia introduced the next item on the agenda, Resolution No. 2442 – Mr. and Mrs. Joon Nam – 2940 DeKalb Pike. This item was deferred until next month's meeting.

Mr. Serratore introduced the next item on the agenda, Resolution No. 2443 – Authorize Bids for the sale of Township Vehicles. Staff Engineer, Doug Jones reviewed Joseph Sorgini's memo dated February 4, 2009 requesting authorization to dispose of two Public Works vehicles - a 1996 Dodge 1500 4x4 pick up truck and a 1998 Chevrolet 3500 4x4 dump truck thru the bid process. Mrs. Heckman made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2443 and include any vehicles the fire company has to sell. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Staufenberg and approved unanimously.

Mr. Gracia introduced the next item on the agenda, Authorize Bids for Road Material, Line Painting and Equipment Leasing with Operators. Mr. Gracia made a motion to authorize these bids for opening at the March regular meeting. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Serratore and approved unanimously.

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Mr. Serratore introduced the next item on the agenda, Fire Hydrant Placement. Mr. Serratore made a motion to add the fire hydrant on Arch Road 30 feet from the intersection of Germantown Pike and Arch Road to the hydrant list. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mrs. Heckman and approved unanimously.

Mr. Gracia introduced the next item on the agenda, Survey for Waste System Management of Eastern Montgomery County. Township Manager, Helmuth Baerwald reviewed the questions and answers in the survey for Waste System Management of Eastern Montgomery County as follows: 1. c, 2. c, 3. c, 4. c, 5. c, 6. c, 7. c, 8. c, and 9. a. Mr. Staufenberg made a motion to answer all the questions neutral as stated. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Serratore and approved unanimously. Mr. Gracia reviewed the 2009 Household Hazardous Waste and Computer Collection Program dates and locations.

Mr. Serratore introduced the next item on the agenda, Police Contract Ratification. Township Manager, Helmuth Baerwald briefly reviewed the police contract. Mr. Staufenberg made a motion to adopt the ratified contract. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mrs. Heckman and approved unanimously.

Mr. Gracia introduced the next item on the agenda, 2008 Survey of Financial Condition for DCED. Assistant Township Manager, Donald Delamater reviewed the 2008 Survey of Financial Condition for DCED which is filed annually. Mr. Staufenberg made a motion to approve filing the survey. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mrs. Heckman and approved unanimously.

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Mr. Serratore introduced the next item on the agenda, Waiver of Barrington Barn and Shed Demolition Permit Fees. Township Manager, Helmuth Baerwald briefly reviewed the permits required. Mr. Staufenberg made a motion to approve the permit fees be waived for the Barrington barn and shed demolition. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Gracia and approved unanimously.

Mr. Gracia introduced the next item on the agenda, COMCAST Broadcasting. Assistant Township Manager, Donald Delamater reviewed this informational item that the East Norriton Township meeting will air on Verizon channel 45 and Comcast channel 28 on Wednesday following the meeting at 9:00 p.m., Friday following the meeting at 2:00 p.m. and Tuesday one week following the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Mr. Gracia added to the agenda, Text Amendment to Zoning Code. Mr. Gracia made a motion to schedule a hearing for Tuesday, April 28, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. to review the proposed text amendments to the Zoning Code. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Serratore and approved unanimously.

Mr. Serratore introduced the next item on the agenda, Vision Quest. Township Manager, Helmuth Baerwald reported that there is a Norristown Zoning Hearing Board meeting to be held on Tuesday, February, 24, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Gracia introduced the next item on the agenda, Expenditure Authorizations. A. Sewer Repair – Force Main Germantown Pike - \$20,860.30; B. Barrington Property Barn and Shed Demolition - \$14,930.00 and C. Chamber of Commerce awards dinner. Mr. Gracia made a motion to approve items A through C. After requesting any

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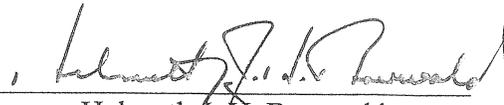
Mr. Serratore introduced the next item on the agenda, Attendance Authorizations. A. Police Training – Officers Pickford and Warner; B. Treptow-Köpenick Sister City Week – 4/21/2009 to 4/28/2009 (no fee); C. Chamber Awards Dinner – March 25, 2009 - \$65.00 per person; and D. Accreditation Training Conference – Lieutenant Kates. Mr. Serratore made a motion to approve items A through D. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mrs. Heckman and approved unanimously.

Mr. Serratore reviewed the meeting schedule for February 16, 2009 through March 30, 2009.

Mrs. Heckman introduced the next item on the agenda, Legislation. Township Manager, Helmuth Baerwald reported that the legislators are not in session right now.

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Chairman asked if there were any residents who wished to speak, Ken Christovich of 2937 Tanglewood Lane reviewed the school board budget hearing meeting.

Mr. Gracia made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 p.m. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Serratore and approved unanimously.

  
Helmuth J. H. Baerwald  
Secretary

