

East Norriton Township – Regular Meeting  
February 26, 2013

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of East Norriton Township was called to order by the Chairman, John Zurzola at 7:05 p.m. on Tuesday, February 26, 2013, at the Township Municipal Building. Supervisors present were John A. Zurzola, Harris A. Dainoff, Donald J. Gracia, Marc A. Alfarano and Tina Howell.

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

The Chairman introduced representatives from Plymouth Township. Councilman Shelly Simpson introduced Council members, Lenore Bruno and Dean Eisenberger and Township Manager, Karen Weiss and Deputy Chief, John Myrsiades. Mr. Simpson on behalf of Plymouth Township thanked the Board of Supervisors, the East Norriton Township Police Department, the Norriton Fire Engine Co and the first responders for their support during the tragic times of Officer Fox's death.

The Chairman introduced the next item on the agenda, 2012 Distinguished Citizen Award. Chairman Zurzola read into record the 2012 Distinguished Citizen Award that the Board of Supervisors presented to James K. Staufenberg.

The Chairman introduced the next item on the agenda, Norriton Fire Engine Company Recognition. Chairman Zurzola read into record the Certificate that the Board of Supervisors presented to the Norriton Fire Engine Company for their dedicated service during two consecutive fires that occurred in the Township.

The Chairman introduced the next item on the agenda, Employee Commendations – Lt. Brandon Pasquale, Timothy Bradbury and Brett Stephens. Chairman Zurzola read into record the Certificates that the Board of Supervisors presented to Lt. Brandon Pasquale, Timothy Bradbury and Brett Stephens for their assistance during the two fires that occurred on January 23<sup>rd</sup> and January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2013.

The Chairman announced that the Board of Supervisors met earlier this evening in Executive Session to discuss matters of litigation and personnel.

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The Chairman introduced the next item on the agenda, Approval of Meeting Minutes. Mr. Dainoff made a motion to approve the minutes of the Reorganization Meeting and Regular Meeting of January 7, 2013. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Howell. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously.

The Chairman introduced the next item on the agenda, Approval of the Financial Reports for December 2012 and January 2013. Mr. Gracia made a motion to accept the Financial Reports. The motion was seconded by Mr. Alfarano. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously.

The Chairman introduced the next item on the agenda, Committee Reports for December 2012 and January 2013. Mrs. Howell made a motion to accept the Committee Reports. The motion was seconded by Mr. Dainoff. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously.

The Chairman asked if there were any comments from the Board of Supervisors, there were none.

The Chairman asked if there were any citizens to be heard, there were none.

Mr. Alfarano introduced the first item under “Old Business”, Firearms Control Initiative. After discussions between the Board of Supervisors, the Township Solicitor and Police Chief this item was tabled until next month’s meeting when the Board will review a draft Lost or Stolen Gun Ordinance.

Mr. Dainoff introduced the next item on the agenda, Finance Software Recommendation. Finance Director, Eric Traub reviewed his Finance Software Recommendation memo dated February 7, 2013. Mr. Dainoff made a motion to approve Mr. Traub’s recommendation for the purchase of finance software from Freedom in the amount of \$35,346.00 plus annual support in the amount of \$5,485.00 and the execution

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of the appropriate documents. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gracia. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously.

Mr. Alfarano introduced the next item on the agenda, Financial Update. Finance Director, Eric Traub provided an update of the Township's financial condition.

Mr. Dainoff introduced the next item on the agenda, Blackboard Connect Notification System Update. Assistant Township Manager, Larry Brown provided an update on the implementation of the Blackboard Connect notification system. Mr. Brown stated that a test message would be sent out later this week. Residents can go to the Township website at [www.eastnorritontwp.org](http://www.eastnorritontwp.org) and register alternate phone numbers and email addresses.

Mr. Alfarano introduced the next item on the agenda, School Resource Officer Funding Update. Chairman Zurzola reviewed that a letter was sent to our State Representatives, Senators and the Governor regarding the need for SRO funding. Township Manager, Donald Delamater reviewed a meeting he attended with Representative Vereb and representatives from West Norriton Township and Norristown Area School District regarding this subject.

Mr. Dainoff introduced the next item on the agenda, Developments & Construction Updates. Township Manager, Donald Delamater reviewed Pimlico Farms has begun construction of the last two homes of the forty six single family dwellings and four homes are yet to be sold.

Mr. Alfarano introduced the next item on the agenda, Storm Drainage Issue/Projects. Staff Engineer, Doug Jones reviewed that as spring approaches the planning stages will begin for the projects that are budgeted for this year. Staff has been monitoring neighborhoods during the cold weather to locate any icing concerns due to sump pump discharges.

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Mr. Dainoff introduced the next item on the agenda, Traffic Issues. Staff Engineer, Doug Jones reported: A. Penn DOT's Markley Street Improvement Project – work has begun with the removal of trees along the roadway; and Township Manager, Donald Delamater reviewed B. CMAQ Grant Project Status – the Township was approved for approximately a \$150,00.00 grant to run fiber optics from Potshop Road to Trooper Road. After approval a meeting was held with PADOT. PADOT is now requesting that the Township perform a full blown improvement of that intersection totaling approximately \$300,000.00. Responsibility for this additional cost has yet to be determined.

Mr. Alfarano introduced the next item on the agenda, Sanitary Sewer Issues. Staff Engineer, Doug Jones reported: A. Einstein Project final testing was scheduled in anticipation of the dedication of the facilities; and B. Germantown Pike Parallel Force Main project is completed with punchlist items are remaining.

Chairman Zurzola moved the next item up on the agenda, Resolution – Land Development Waiver Request – Einstein Medical Center Montgomery. Joe Kuhls on behalf of Einstein Medical Center Montgomery reviewed that since EMCM opening the 146 bed hospital; it has been operating at maximum capacity fully one-third of the time making it necessary to have additional beds which was always part of the long ranged plan. The fourth floor of the west wing of the hospital currently houses administrative offices. Einstein feels it is imperative to construct 24 additional beds to be occupied by January 2014 in order to meet the anticipated community demand for service. Einstein is proposing the placement of a 9,000 square foot temporary Modular unit as outlined in the plans provided to the Board members. Mr. Dainoff made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2605 authorizing a conditional waiver of land development for Einstein Medical Center Montgomery. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Howell. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously.

Mr. Gracia introduced the next item on the agenda, 2012 Survey of Financial Condition. Township Manager, Donald Delamater reviewed this item. Mr. Gracia made a motion to authorize the electronic submission of the 2012 Survey of Financial

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

Mr. Gracia introduced the next item on the agenda, Resolution No. 2603 – Approving Act 192 Schedule of Costs. Township Manager, Donald Delamater reviewed Resolution No. 2603 approving the Act 192 schedule of costs submitted by the Earned Income Tax Collector. Mr. Gracia made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2603. The motion was seconded by Mr. Dainoff. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously.

Mrs. Howell introduced the next item on the agenda, Permit Fee Waiver – Touch A Truck Event. Township Manager, Donald Delamater reviewed a letter dated January 24, 2013 from the Committee to Benefit the Children requesting a waiver of the \$100.00 permit fee and representation from the Police Department and Public Works Department at the event on May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2013. Mr. Dainoff made a motion to waive the permit fee and authorize the Police and Public Works Department to participate in the event on May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2013. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Howell. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously.

Mr. Gracia introduced the next item on the agenda, Resolution No. 2604 – Designation of Agent for Hurricane Sandy. Township Manager, Donald Delamater reviewed Resolution No. 2604. Mr. Dainoff made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2604. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Howell. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously.

Mrs. Howell introduced the next item on the agenda ENGAA Sign Request and Permit Fee Waiver. Assistant Township Manager, Larry Brown reviewed a letter received February 5, 2013 from the East Norriton Girls Athletic Association requesting a waiver of the sign permit fee and permission to place sponsor signs at the Stanbridge Street softball field facility from April 1<sup>st</sup>, until July 31, 2013. Mr. Gracia made a motion to waive the sign permit fee and approve the placement of the sponsor signs at the Stanbridge Street softball field facility. The motion was seconded by Mr. Alfarano. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved

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unanimously.

Mr. Gracia introduced the next item on the agenda, ENT Recycling Program Grant. Township Manager, Donald Delamater reviewed the approved grant for leaf collection equipment. Mrs. Howell made a motion to authorize the execution of the grant agreement. The motion was seconded by Mr. Alfarano. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously.

Mrs. Howell introduced the next item on the agenda, Expenditure Authorization. A. Stony Creek Anglers - \$100.00. Mr. Gracia made a motion to approve item A. The motion was seconded by Mr. Alfarano. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously.

Mr. Gracia introduced the next item on the agenda, Attendance Authorization. A. Fire Investigator Nat'l Certification Training – June 17 – 28, \$525.00, Frank Ludwig; B. PATC: Developing Performance Leadership for Supervisors – March 12 – 14, \$590.00, Sergeants Brennan and Myers; C. PELRAS Conference – March 19 – 22, Lt. Pasquale, Eric Traub and Doug Jones; and D. Tactical Strength and Conditioning – April 16 – 18, \$440.00, Officer Warner. Mr. Gracia made a motion to approve items A. through D. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Howell. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously.

Mr. Gracia read the Supervisors Schedule of Meetings from March 14, 2013 thru April 10, 2013.

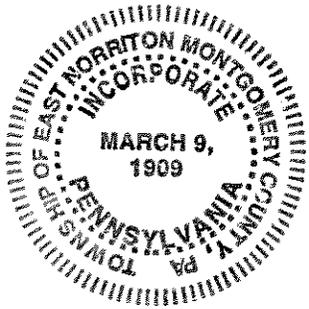
The Chairman asked Township Manager, Donald Delamater to review any recent or pending legislation. Mr. Delamater reviewed a new law that went into effect January 1, 2013 requiring all contractors bidding on public works projects in excess of \$25,000 to complete the e-verification form to ensure their employees are authorized to work in the U.S.

Supervisor Gracia recognized two boy scouts in the audience in attendance for a requirement for a badge to be earned.

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There being no other business to come before the Board, the Chairman asked if there were any residents who wished to speak. Rob Schottmiller of 547 Barbara Drive commented on and questioned the Supervisors' consideration on any pending lost and stolen gun ordinances.

Mr. Dainoff made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m.; the motion was seconded by Mrs. Howell and approved unanimously.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Donald D. Delamater".

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Donald D. Delamater  
Secretary

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