

East Norriton Township – Regular Meeting
November 17, 2015

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of East Norriton Township was called to order by the Chairwoman, Tina Howell at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 17, 2015, at the Township Municipal Building. Supervisors present were, Tina Howell, John A. Zurzola, Marc A. Alfarano, and Angelina Salamone.

After roll call, Supervisor Alfarano asked for a moment of silence for all the people around the world who are victims of terror. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

Chairwoman Howell called for a motion to fill the vacancy on the Board of Supervisors. Vice Chairman Zurzola made a motion to appoint Dennis DeSanto to serve on the Board of Supervisors. The motion was seconded by Mr. Alfarano. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously.

Notary Public, Elizabeth Capaldo swore Dennis DeSanto in as Supervisor to fill the vacancy on the Board of Supervisors.

Chairwoman Howell introduced the first item on the agenda, Friday Nights Teenage Dance Club Recognition. The Board of Supervisors presented Sal Gambone and members with a certificate recognizing their reunion that was held Sunday, November 8th at the Plymouth County Club. Mr. Gambone gave a brief history of the Friday Nights Teenage Dance Club.

Chairwoman Howell introduced the next item on the agenda, Police Commendation. Chief of Police, Kary Kates presented Officer Joseph Carfrey, Officer Matthew Cover and Officer Matthew Pickford with a Unit Citation for their quick response, teamwork and strong communication skills during an incident that occurred earlier this year.

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

Chairwoman Howell introduced the next item on the agenda, Approval of Meeting Minutes. Mr. Alfarano made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 27, 2015. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Salamone. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously.

Chairwoman Howell introduced the next item on the agenda, Approval of the Financial Reports for October 2015. Mrs. Salamone made a motion to accept the Financial Reports. The motion was seconded by Mr. Zurzola. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously.

Chairwoman Howell introduced the next item on the agenda, Committee Reports for October 2015. Mr. Alfarano made a motion to accept the Committee Reports. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Salamone. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously.

Chairwoman Howell asked if there were any comments from the Board of Supervisors, there were none.

Chairwoman Howell asked if there were any residents to be heard, David Siegle of 419 W. Township Line Road questioned if there were any actions taken resulting from the agreement with DEP. Mike Howell of 2945 Stoney Creek Road questioned what can be discussed in Executive Session versus in a public meeting.

Mr. Alfarano introduced the first item under “Old Business”, Ordinance No. 568 – Police Radio Purchase Program. Township Manager, Donald Delamater reviewed Ordinance No. 568 which has been duly advertised. Mr. Zurzola made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 568 and the Promissory Note. The motion was seconded by Mrs.

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Salamone. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously.

Mr. Alfarano introduced the next item on the agenda, 2016 Budget Presentation. Township Manager, Donald Delamater reviewed the second submission of the draft 2016 budget. Mr. Zurzola made a motion to appoint Obermayer Rebmann Maxwell & Hippel LLP to perform a review and investigate the feasibility and legality of selling the Township sanitary sewer system. The motion was seconded by Mr. Alfarano. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously.

Mr. Alfarano introduced the next item on the agenda, Vacancies on Boards and Commissions. Mr. Alfarano announced that on December 31, 2015 there will be numerous vacancies on the various boards and commissions for East Norriton Township. The Board of Supervisors will consider filling these vacancies at the Reorganization Meeting on January 4, 2016. Any resident interested in serving on a particular board or commission should submit a cover letter and resume to the Township Manager. This is an informational item.

Mr. Alfarano introduced the next item on the agenda, Developments and Construction Updates. Code Enforcement/Zoning Director, Bryan Bortnichak reviewed photos of Crunch Fitness and a single family dwelling being constructed at 127 West Township Line Road.

Mr. Alfarano introduced the next item on the agenda, Public Works Projects/Updates. Publics Work Director, Doug Jones reported leaf collection is progressing and that he is working with PADOT and the Township's traffic signal maintenance contractor to allow the traffic signals to recognize traffic on side streets after a light has been preempted. Township Engineer, Owen Hyne reviewed the six Minimum Control Measures (MCMs) that the Township follows for the MS4 program.

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Mrs. Salamone introduced the first item under “New Business”, Airing Times of Township Meetings. Township Manager, Donald Delamater reviewed that the Board of Supervisors monthly public meetings are scheduled to air on the Norristown Area School District Channel 45 (Verizon) and Channel 28 (Comcast) as follows: Friday after the public meeting at 2:00 p.m., Tuesday one week after the public meeting at 9:00 p.m. and Wednesday one week after the public meeting at 9:00 p.m. This is an informational item.

Mrs. Salamone introduced the next item on the agenda, Resolution No. 2672 – Proclamation – Start of the Holiday Season. Mrs. Salamone read Resolution No. 2672 into record proclaiming Saturday, December 5, 2015 the start of the 2015 holiday season. Mrs. Salamone made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2672. The motion was seconded by Mr. Zurzola. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously.

Mrs. Salamone introduced the next item on the agenda, Multi-Grant Application. Township Manager, Donald Delamater reviewed a proposal from T &M Associates for a Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant. This item was tabled for a later date.

Mrs. Salamone introduced the next item on the agenda, 2016 Fiscal Year Auditing Services – Authorize Advertisement. Township Manager, Donald Delamater reviewed this item. Mrs. Salamone made a motion to authorize advertisement for the appointment of the firm Barbacane, Thornton and Company LLP at the January 4, 2016 Reorganization meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Alfarano. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously.

Mrs. Salamone introduced the next item on the agenda, Special Economic Consultants. Township Manager, Donald Delamater recommended that the Board of Supervisors appoint The Kapoor Company for labor and economic analytics services as part of the police contract negotiations. Mr. Alfarano made a motion to appoint The Kapoor Company as the Township’s Special Economic Consultant. After requesting any

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comments and there being none, the motion was approved 4 – 0 with Vice Chairman Zurzola abstaining from the vote.

Mrs. Salamone introduced the next item on the agenda, Attendance Authorization.

1. Fire Inspection Principles – Joe Catagnus January 24 – 29, 2016 and January 31 – February 5, 2016; 2. PPCT Defensive Tactics Instructor Certification – Sergeant Homan – November 11 – 15, 2016; 3. Electronic Monitoring “A” Certification - Detective Henricks January 11 – 15, 2016; and 4. Command Leadership for FTO’s – Sergeant Brennan – February 9 – 11, 2016. Mrs. Salamone made a motion to approve items 1 thru 4. The motion was seconded by Mr. DeSanto. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously.

Chairwoman Howell read the Supervisors Schedule of Meetings from November 18, 2015 thru January 4, 2016.

Chairwoman Howell asked Township Manager, Donald Delamater to review any recent or pending legislation. Mr. Delamater reviewed: Tax collector certification – Act 48 of 2015 amends the Local Tax Collection Law to make the six credit hours of mandatory continuing education for elected tax collectors voluntary effective October 22, 2015. A revised mandatory certification program will take effect January 1, 2017, and requires new tax collectors to take a mandatory training and exam before taking the oath of office.

Chairwoman Howell asked if there was any “Other Business” to come before the Board. Chairwoman Howell acknowledged Susan Wendt in the audience as the Townships’ newly elected auditor.

Chairwoman Howell asked if there were any residents who wished to speak, there were none.

Mr. Zurzola made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:27 p.m.; the motion was seconded by Mr. Alfarano and approved unanimously.

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

Donald D. Delamater
Secretary