

East Norriton Township – Regular Meeting
December 15, 2009

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of East Norriton Township was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Lewis McQuirns, at 7:02 p.m. on Tuesday, December 15, 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 read a certificate into record and presented Charlie Jackson and John Jackson of Charlie’s Pizzeria in recognition of their 50th anniversary.

Assistant Township Manager, Larry Brown swore in Shawn Gilmore as the Township’s newest Fire Police.

Police Chief, John McGowan presented Officer Cristie Soto and Officer Matthew Pickford with Merit Commendation Awards in recognition of their quick and decisive action which helped save a woman’s life.

Mr. Gracia read into record a Citation that was presented to Mr. Lewis McQuirns from Representatives Matt Bradford and Mike Vereb for his dedicated service to East Norriton Township. Mrs. Heckman read into record a Citation that was presented to Mr. James Staufenberg from Representatives Matt Bradford and Mike Vereb for his dedicated service to East Norriton Township. Mr. Serratore read a Proclamation into record that was presented to Mr. Lewis McQuirns from East Norriton Township for his eighteen years of dedicated service. Mr. Gracia read a Proclamation into record that was presented to Mr. James Staufenberg from East Norriton Township for his four years of dedicated service.

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The Chairman introduced the next item on the agenda, Open Bids for two vehicles. The Chairman asked if there were any additional bids. Mr. Staufenberg made a motion to close the bids for two vehicles. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Gracia and approved unanimously.

The bids for the two vehicles were opened and read by the Township Manager as follows: Marks Motors for the 2003 Dodge Intrepid for \$1,625.00 and for the 1998 Ford Crown Victoria for \$1,575.00; Sulli Motors for the 1998 Crown Victoria for \$1,668.00 and for the 2003 Dodge Intrepid for \$3,128.00; and Paul K. Smith for the 1998 Ford Crown Victoria for \$976.00 and for the 2003 Dodge Intrepid for \$1,270.00. Police Chief, John McGowan recommended that the two vehicles be awarded to Sulli Motors for \$3,128.00 for the 2003 Dodge Intrepid and \$1,668.00 for the 1998 Ford Crown Victoria. Mr. Gracia made a motion to award the bids to Sulli Motors per Police Chief, John McGowan's recommendation. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Serratore and approved unanimously.

The Chairman announced that the Board of Supervisors met earlier this evening in Executive Session to discuss matters of litigation and personnel. The Board of Supervisors also met earlier this evening for a Public Hearing – Sign Ordinance Amendment – political signs.

Mr. Serratore made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 17, 2009. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Staufenberg and approved unanimously.

The Chairman introduced the next item on the agenda, Finance Reports for November, 2009. Mrs. Heckman made a motion to approve the Finance Reports and

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Receipts and Warrants for November, 2009. 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 November, 2009 be deferred and also commented that the Committee Reports were available on the table in the back of the meeting room.

Mr. McQuirms read a brief farewell message. And Mr. Staufenberg thanked Township staff and the residents for participating and making East Norriton Township a great place to live, work and play.

The Chairman asked if there were any Citizens to be Heard; Ed Duffy of 206 West Hartranft Blvd thanked Staff Engineer, Doug Jones for his help with a yard waste issue.

Mrs. Heckman introduced the first item under “Old Business”, 2010 Budget Presentation. Township Manager, Donald Delamater gave a final 2010 Budget Presentation.

Mr. Staufenberg introduced the next item on the agenda, Resolution No. 2486 – Adopt Annual Budget for 2010. Township Manager, Donald Delamater reviewed Resolution No. 2486. Mr. Staufenberg made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2486 – Adopt Annual Budget for 2010. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mrs. Heckman and approved unanimously.

Mrs. Heckman introduced the next item on the agenda, Resolution No. 2487 – Tax Levy for 2010. Township Manager, Donald Delamater reviewed Resolution No. 2487. Mrs. Heckman made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2487. After requesting

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

Mr. Staufenberg introduced the next item on the agenda, Revised 2010 Minimum Municipal Obligation. Township Manager, Donald Delamater reviewed the revised 2010 Minimum Municipal Obligations for the Police Pension Plan in the amount of \$270,911.00 and for the Employees' Pension Plan in the amount of \$ 136,204.00. Mrs. Heckman made a motion to affirm the 2010 Revised Minimum Municipal Obligations. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Serratore and approved unanimously.

Mrs. Heckman introduced the next item on the agenda, Ordinance No. 522 – Disbanding the Shadetree Commission. Township Solicitor, Christen Pionzio reviewed Ordinance No. 522 amending the code of the Township of East Norriton by disbanding the Shade Tree Commission. Mr. Staufenberg made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 522. 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, Ordinance No. 523 – Sign Ordinance Amendment. Code Enforcement Officer, Bryan Bortnichak reviewed Ordinance No. 523 which was subject of a public hearing held earlier this evening amending the Zoning Ordinance regarding Political Signs. Mr. Staufenberg made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 523. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mrs. Heckman and approved unanimously.

Mrs. Heckman introduced the next item on the agenda, Developments and Construction Updates. Code Enforcement Director, Bryan Bortnichak reviewed: basin at

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Germantown Pike and Potshop the fence has been installed and the plot of land that was to be additional parking is to be cleaned up and turned into grass; building at New Hope Street and Germantown Pike two floors has been taken over by Gwynedd Mercy College for evening classes/programs; and at North Wales Road and Germantown Pike the Barley Vale Associates office building is proceeding with the site work for a three story office building.

Mr. Staufenberg introduced the next item on the agenda, Storm Drainage Issues/Projects. Staff Engineer, Doug Jones reported: A. Comprehensive Storm Water Survey is being worked on with Woodrow & Associates. Any input or concerns from residents are welcome.

Mrs. Heckman introduced the next item on the agenda, Traffic Issues. Staff Engineer, Doug Jones reported the Township is still waiting to hear from PADOT on the County Traffic Signal Update Program.

Mr. Staufenberg introduced the next item on the agenda, Sanitary Sewer Issues. Stuart Rosenthal of Gilmore & Associates, Inc. reported: A. DEP Act 537 Special Study has been approved by DEP, with the conditional approval that the study be readvertisement to include the Marion Avenue diversion; B. Sewer Planning Module as it pertains to the Einstein Hospital project has also been approved by DEP; and C. Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Work has nothing new to report. Staff Engineer, Doug Jones reviewed the item B under the expenditure authorization – proposal to meter and evaluate sewage flows (\$6,140.00) pertains to the Rahway Avenue to evaluate the flows in the area.

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Mr. Gracia introduced the first item under “New Business”, 4th Quarter Budget Adjustments. Township Manager, Donald Delamater reviewed the proposed budget adjustments provided by Finance Officer, Bill Scurry dated December 1, 2009. Mrs. Heckman made a motion to approve the adjustments. 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, Tri-party Agreement - 109 West Township Line Road. Staff Engineer, Doug Jones reviewed the connection of 109 West Township Line Road to the public sewer system through Whitpain Township’s sewers. Mr. Serratore made a motion to authorize the Board of Supervisors’ Chairman and the Township Manger to execute the tri-party agreement. 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, Board and Commission Vacancies effective December 31, 2009. Mr. Gracia made an announcement that on December 31, 2009 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, 2010. Any resident interested in serving on a particular board of commission should submit a cover letter and resume to the Township Manager.

Mr. Serratore introduced the next item on the agenda, Expenditure Authorization.

A. 401 West Township Line Road Demolition - \$16,000.00 plus Township Costs; B. Proposal to Meter and Evaluate Sewage Flows - \$6,140.00; and C. Hough Associates

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2010 Recycling Grant Preparation - \$8,000.00. Mr. Serratore made a motion to approve items A through C. 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, Attendance Authorization. A. MCATO Spring Conference – February 26, 2010 and B. Police Training – Officers Myers and Caso. Mr. Staufenberg made a motion to approve items A and B. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mrs. Heckman and approved unanimously.

Mr. Gracia reviewed the meeting schedule for December 18, 2009 through January 28, 2010 noting all meetings after January 4th, 2010 are tentative until the reorganization meeting is held on January 4th, 2010.

Mr. Serratore introduced the next item on the agenda, Legislation. Township Manager, Donald Delamater reviewed pension issues and the imposing of tolls on Interstate 80.

The Chairman asked if there was any Other Business. Mr. Gracia made a motion to authorize the Township Solicitor to attend the January 12, 2010 Zoning Hearing Board meeting to oppose the application of Franklin Norriton Associates. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mrs. Heckman and approved unanimously. The Board of Supervisors wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Two Boy Scouts from Troop 724 introduced themselves and explained the purpose for attending tonight's meeting. Township Manager, Donald Delamater reviewed a letter from the East Norriton Little League dated December 10, 2009 requesting the waiver of fees for placing signs throughout the township. Mr.

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Serratore made a motion to approve the waiver of the fees. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Gracia and approved unanimously. Mr. Staufenberg reminded everyone that 2010 is a census year and please ask to see their identification and never invite anyone you don't know into your home. Mr. Staufenberg also stated that the County has imposed a 28 ton weight limit restriction on the Township Line Road Bridge.

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Chairman asked if there were any residents who wished to speak, there were none.

Mrs. Heckman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:27 p.m. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Gracia and approved unanimously.



Donald D. Delamater
Secretary

