

East Norriton Township – Regular Meeting  
February 28, 2017

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of East Norriton Township was called to order by the Chairman, Dennis DeSanto at 7:11 p.m. on Tuesday, February 28, 2017, at the Township Municipal Building. Supervisors present were Dennis DeSanto, Angelina Salamone, Marc Alfarano, Tina Howell, and Kevin McDevitt.

After roll call, Brownie Troop #72056 led the Pledge of Allegiance that was recited by all in attendance.

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

Chairman DeSanto announced the first item on the agenda, Public Hearing – Amending the Township Zoning Map – 2208 Old Arch Road from AR to BR1 and Ordinance Amendment. Township Solicitor, Sean Kilkenny reviewed the purpose of the Public Hearing is to amend the Township’s Zoning Map and Zoning Ordinance. *Transcripts for the Public Hearing are available at the Township for review.*

Chairman DeSanto introduced the next item on the agenda, Approval of Meeting Minutes. Mrs. Howell made a motion to approve the minutes of the Reorganization Meeting and Regular Meeting of January 3, 2017. The motion was seconded by Mr. Alfarano and approved unanimously.

Chairman DeSanto introduced the next item on the agenda, Finance Reports for December 2016 and January 2017. Mr. McDevitt made a motion to approve the Finance Reports. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Salamone and approved unanimously.

Chairman DeSanto introduced the next item on the agenda, Department Reports for October, November and December 2016. Mrs. Howell made a motion to approve the Department Reports. The motion was seconded by Mr. Alfarano and approved unanimously.

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

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

Mr. Alfarano introduced the first item under “Old Business”, Ordinance No. 571 – Amending the Township Zoning Map – 2208 Old Arch Road from AR to BR1 and Ordinance Amendment. Code Enforcement/Zoning Director, Tiffany Loomis, reviewed Ordinance No. 571 which was the subject of a public hearing held earlier in this evening’s regular meeting. Mr. McDevitt made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 571. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Howell and approved unanimously.

Mrs. Howell introduced the next item on the agenda, Public Works Projects/Updates. Public Works Director, Doug Jones reviewed that the Public Works staff has been working on a few Township building renovations. Mr. Jones reviewed the installation of several solar powered speed limit signs. Diana Cassel, of 3225 Kennedy Road, commented on the speeding of trucks on Potshop Road. Mr. Jones stated he would advise Chief Kates to increase the enforcement detail in that area. Ken Christovich, of 2937 Tanglewood Lane, expressed concerns with the moving of the existing speed limit sign. Mr. Jones reported the sign was moved to have even distribution of the signs along Potshop Road. Mr. Jones reported that along with the assistance of the Police Department; speed studies are continuing, and follow up studies have been performed on Meadowbrook Road and Norris City Avenue to review the impact of the installed speed humps. Mr. Jones reported the following grants that are being worked on; DCED and PADOT Green Light Go. And that the PA Route 202 project continues to move forward.

Mrs. Salamone introduced the first item under “New Business”, East Norriton-Plymouth-Whitpain Joint Sewer Authority Vacancy. Mrs. Salamone reviewed that a vacancy exists on the ENPW JSA due to the resignation of Mr. Lewis McQuirns. Mrs.

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Salamone made a motion to accept the resignation of Mr. McQuirns. The motion was seconded by Mr. Alfarano, the motion was approved 4 - 0, with Mr. McDevitt abstaining from the vote. Mrs. Howell made a motion to appoint Kevin McDevitt to the ENPW JSA. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Salamone, the motion was approved 4 - 0, with Mr. McDevitt abstaining from the vote.

Mr. McDevitt introduced the next item on the agenda, Industrial Development Authority Vacancy. Township Manager, Robert Hart gave a brief summary of Don Benn's resignation. Mr. McDevitt made a motion to accept the resignation of Mr. Benn. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Howell and approved unanimously. Mr. McDevitt made a motion to appoint Robert Hart to the Industrial Development Authority. The motion was seconded by Mr. Alfarano and approved unanimously.

Mrs. Salamone introduced the next item on the agenda, Comprehensive Plan Committee. Township Manager, Robert Hart gave a brief review of the committee and read a list of recommended committee members, as follows: two member of the Board of Supervisors, Robert Schottmiller, John Kolb, Keith Tornetta, Pius Nark, Jay Tornetta, Anthony Taormina, Joe Gambone, Connie Stevenson, Mike Pucci, Kristl Wiernicki and Genaro Capone. Mrs. Salamone made a motion to appoint the members recommended by Mr. Hart. The motion was seconded by Mr. Alfarano and approved unanimously.

Mr. McDevitt introduced the next item on the agenda, Proposed Ordinance – Police Pension Plan Amendment. Finance Director, David Crist reviewed the proposed ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances to modify the benefit provisions for the Police Pension. Mr. McDevitt made a motion to authorize advertisement of the proposed ordinance for consideration at the March regular meeting. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Howell and approved unanimously.

Mrs. Salamone introduced the next item on the agenda, Proposed Ordinance – Non-Uniformed Employees Pension Plan Amendment. Finance Director, David Crist

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reviewed the proposed ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances to modify the benefit provisions for the Non-Uniformed Employees' Pension Plan. Mrs. Howell made a motion to authorize advertisement of the proposed ordinance for consideration at the March regular meeting. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Salamone and approved unanimously.

Mr. McDevitt introduced the next item on the agenda, Sweet Fields Waiver Request. Code Enforcement/Zoning Director, Tiffany Loomis, reviewed the waiver request. Supervisor Howell briefly reviewed that Sweet Fields is an organic co-op farm that is proposing farming on approximately eight acres of the Norristown Farm Park property. Mrs. Howell made a motion to approve the waiver request. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Salamone and approved unanimously.

Chairman DeSanto read the Supervisors Schedule of Meetings from March 8, 2017 thru March 28, 2017.

Chairman DeSanto asked if there was any Other Business. Township Manager, Robert Hart acknowledged the Public Works staff that have been working to update the Township infrastructure.

Chairman DeSanto asked if there were any residents who wished to speak, Mike Howell, of 2945 Stoney Creek Road, questioned if a supervisor can reveal Executive Session discussions. Township Solicitor, Sean Kilkenny stated that the Sunshine Law provides that the Board of Supervisors may meet in Executive Session to discuss municipal owned real estate, personnel relating to the Township and matters of litigation. An individual supervisor can tell what happens in Executive Session and there is no penalty under the law. Mr. Howell asked if any action was taken in Executive Session tonight. Chairman DeSanto stated that there was not. Township Manager, Robert Hart explained that if there was an item that required action, the action would take place during the public portion of the meeting. Mr. Howell questioned if the Board of Supervisors should announce when they go back into Executive Session after a public meeting. Mr. Howell

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also questioned the Township advertising; and being consistent with the referencing the property.

Mr. Alfarano made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:21 p.m.; the motion was seconded by Mrs. Salamone and approved unanimously.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert R. Hart", written over a horizontal line.

Robert R. Hart  
Secretary

