

East Norriton Township – Regular Meeting
July 25, 2017

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of East Norriton Township was called to order by the Chairman, Dennis DeSanto at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 25, 2017, at the Township Municipal Building. Supervisors present were Dennis DeSanto, Kevin McDevitt, Marc Alfarano, Tina Howell and Ashley DiPiero.

After roll call, the Pledge of Allegiance was then recited by all in attendance.

Chairman DeSanto introduced the first item on the agenda, Award of Valor – Officer Matthew Shannon. Chief of Police, Kary Kates presented Officer Matthew Shannon with an Award of Valor for his heroic actions and bravery demonstrated during a residential building fire on May 13, 2017.

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

Chairman DeSanto introduced the next item on the agenda, Approval of Meeting Minutes. Mrs. Howell made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 27, 2017. The motion was seconded by Mr. McDevitt and approved unanimously.

Chairman DeSanto introduced the next item on the agenda, Finance Reports for June, 2017. Mr. Alfarano made a motion to approve the Finance Reports. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Howell and approved unanimously.

Chairman DeSanto introduced the next item on the agenda, Township Reports for April, May and June 2017. Mr. McDevitt made a motion to approve the Department Reports. The motion was seconded by Mrs. DiPiero and approved unanimously.

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

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Mr. Alfarano introduced the first item under “Old Business”, Bid Award for Police Equipment. Chief of Police, Kary Kates reviewed her memo dated July 19, 2017 recommending the Taser X-26 and accessories bid be awarded to Lincoln Guards Security for the amount of \$1,450.00. Mr. Alfarano made a motion to award the bid as recommended by Chief Kates. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Howell and approved unanimously.

Mrs. Howell introduced the next item on the agenda, Accept Ashley DiPiero’s Letter of Resignation. Mrs. Howell made a motion to accept Mrs. DiPiero’s letter of resignation from the Planning Commission dated July 14, 2017. The motion was seconded by Mr. McDevitt and approved unanimously.

Mr. McDevitt introduced the first item under “New Business”, Planning Commission Vacancy. Chairman DeSanto made a motion to nominate Joseph Gavanus to fill the balance of a four year term on the Planning Commission expiring December 31, 2017. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Howell and approved unanimously.

Mrs. DiPiero introduced the next item on the agenda, MS4 – PRP (Pollution Reduction Plan) Presentation. Township Engineer, Isaac Kessler briefly reviewed the Township’s MS4 program, the draft PRP and the Township’s required sediment reduction. Mr. Kessler announced that there is a thirty day period for interested parties to provide comment on the plan and that the plan is available for public inspection at the Township building. Mrs. DiPiero made a motion to approve the draft Pollution Reduction Plan for submission to DEP. The motion was seconded by Mr. Alfarano and approved unanimously. Chairman DeSanto asked for any public comment. Diana Cassel of 3225 Kennedy Drive questioned if/when retrofitting the basins with plants that like water will be used to help with the filtration. Mr. Kessler stated that each basin will be evaluated on a case by case basis; the main goal is to reduce the sediment.

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Mr. McDevitt introduced the next item on the agenda, Comprehensive Plan Consultant Appointment. Code Enforcement/Zoning Director, Tiffany Loomis reviewed the RFP process that took place and the Township's recommendation that T & M Associates be appointed as the Comprehensive Plan Consultant. Mr. McDevitt made a motion to appoint T & M Associates as the Comprehensive Plan Consultant. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Howell and approved unanimously.

Mrs. DiPiero introduced the next item on the agenda, Resolution No. 2728 - Preliminary/Final Approval for the Subdivision of St. Titus. Code Enforcement/Zoning Director, Tiffany Loomis reviewed Resolution No. 2728 granting conditional, preliminary/final approval for the subdivision application of St. Titus Roman Catholic Church for the property located at 3000 Keenwood Road for a two-lot subdivision. Eugene Brazil, representative for St. Titus briefly reviewed the application. Mrs. Howell made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2728. The motion was seconded by Mrs. DiPiero and approved unanimously.

Mr. McDevitt introduced the next item on the agenda Resolution No. 2729 – Authorizing the Advertisement of a Zoning Amendment. Code Enforcement/Zoning Director, Tiffany Loomis reviewed Resolution No. 2729 ratifying the advertisement of a Zoning Ordinance Amendment. Mr. McDevitt made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2729 ratifying the action of the Township Manager to advertise the proposed Ordinance Amendment due to time constraints. The motion was seconded by Mr. Alfarano and approved unanimously.

Chairman DeSanto asked if there was any Other Business. Mr. McDevitt made a motion to authorize the Township Solicitor to attend the August 8th Zoning Hearing Board meeting in support of Chandler Bat Company on Felton Road. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Howell and approved unanimously.

Mr. McDevitt made a motion to authorize the Township Manager to move forward

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with financing through ComTrust Credit Union for equipment purchases. Finance Director, David Crist explained that the Township has looked at various financing alternatives and ComTrust Credit Union offered an attractive lease/purchase option. Mr. McDevitt made a motion to authorize the financing through ComTrust Credit Union. The motion was seconded by Mrs. DiPiero and approved unanimously.

Chairman DeSanto read the Supervisors Schedule of Meetings from August 8, 2017 thru September 9, 2017.

Chairman DeSanto called on Township Manager, Robert Hart for Managers Update. Mr. Hart reported that the East Norriton Township Industrial Development Authority has donated \$7,500.00 for the startup of the Hero's Park project planning. Mr. Hart also reported that during Community Day on September 9th the Township will have a grand opening celebration of the refurbished Parks & Recreation Building and the Kindness Garden Rock Garden. Chairman DeSanto briefly spoke about the Kindness Rock Garden.

Chief of Police, Kary Kates reported the Township is taking applications for the Citizens Police Academy starting September 11th. Chairman DeSanto also reported that the Township is looking for volunteers for Community Day, September 9th and the Trunk or Treat event to be held October 28th.

Chairman DeSanto asked if there were any residents who wished to speak, there were none.

Mrs. Howell made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 p.m.; the motion was seconded by Mr. Alfarano and approved unanimously.



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

Robert R. Hart, Esq.
Secretary