

East Norriton Township – Regular Meeting  
October 26, 2021

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of East Norriton Township was called to order by Chairwoman DiPiero at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 26, 2021, at the Township Municipal Building.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance, followed by roll call. Chief of Police, Brandon Pasquale, Township Engineer, Kelly Goff, Director of Engineering Services, James Sullivan, Director of Finance, David Crist, Assistant Township Manager, Jeff Winterbottom, Township Manager, Robert Hart, Township Solicitor, Sean Kilkenny, Supervisor, Dennis DeSanto, Supervisor, Kevin McDevitt, Vice Chairman, Joseph Gavanus, and Chairwoman, Ashley DiPiero were present for the regular meeting.

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

Chairwoman DiPiero made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of September 28, 2021. The motion was seconded by Supervisor McDevitt and approved unanimously.

Chairwoman DiPiero asked if there were any citizens to be heard; Don Benn, Chairman of the Human Relations Commission thanked the Board of Supervisors, Township Manager, Robert Hart and Township Solicitor, Sean Kilkenny for the massive amount of time and effort that was put into revitalizing the Human Relations Commission. Mr. Benn reviewed some upcoming training events the members will participate in.

Chairwoman DiPiero introduced the first item on the agenda under, “New Business”, Ordinance 593 - Increasing the Number of the Number of Members of the Human Relations Commission from Four to Seven. Township Manager, Robert Hart reviewed Ordinance 593. Chairwoman DiPiero made a motion to approve Ordinance 593. The motion was seconded by Supervisor DeSanto and approved unanimously. Human Relations Commission Chairman, Don Benn introduced members Darwoosh “Danny” Ivanoff, Deborah Killian-York, Patricia Mark, and Melissa Retano. Kenneth Haubert and Gary Murphy were absent.

Chairwoman DiPiero introduced the next item on the agenda, Ordinance 594 – Amending Part 1, Administrative Legislation, Chapter 10: Fire Department. Township Manager, Robert Hart reviewed Ordinance 594 allowing the East Norriton Township Board of Supervisors to establish Township Fire Chief. Chairwoman DiPiero made a motion to approve Ordinance 594. The motion was seconded by Supervisor DeSanto and approved unanimously. Supervisor DeSanto wanted to clarify that this is not the Board of Supervisors wanting to take over the fire company. Township Manager, Robert Hart replied it is actually prudent, sound management and governance.

Chairwoman DiPiero introduced the next item on the agenda, Authorization of the Sale of Used Public Works Equipment. Township Manager, Robert Hart reviewed a request from Public Works Superintendent, Brett Stephens requesting authorization to sell a 1997 Mack RD690S tandem dump truck with an 11-foot plow and salt spreader through the Municibid process. Chairwoman DiPiero made a motion to authorize the sale of the 1997 Mack RD690S tandem dump truck through the Municibid process. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Gavanus and approved unanimously.

Chairwoman DiPiero introduced the next item on the agenda, Authorization of the Sale of Office Equipment. Finance Director, David Crist requested to sell an IBM 6400 Line Matrix Printer through the Municibid process. Chairwoman DiPiero made a motion to authorize the sale of the IBM 6400 Line Matrix Printer through the Municibid process. The motion was seconded by Supervisor McDevitt and approved unanimously.

Chairwoman DiPiero introduced the next item on the agenda, Escrow Release No. Three – Bradbury Pointe. Director of Engineering Services, James Sullivan reviewed a request for escrow release. Based upon RVE's inspection of the work completed, it is recommended that East Norriton Township release the amount of \$39,162.02 to the developer, Arch Holdings LLC for the completion of required site improvements at the development. Chairwoman DiPiero made a motion to authorize Escrow Release No. Three. The motion was seconded by Supervisor DeSanto and approved unanimously.

Chairwoman DiPiero introduced the next item on the agenda, Escrow Release No. Four – Bradbury Pointe. Director of Engineering Services, James Sullivan reviewed a request for escrow release. Based upon RVE's inspection of the work completed, it is recommended that East Norriton Township release the amount of \$31,210.55 to the developer, Arch Holdings LLC for the completion of required site improvements at the development. Chairwoman DiPiero made a motion to authorize Escrow Release No. Four. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Gavanus and approved unanimously.

Chairwoman DiPiero introduced the next item on the agenda, Escrow Release No. Five – Bradbury Pointe. Director of Engineering Services, James Sullivan reviewed a request for escrow release. Based upon RVE's inspection of the work completed, it is recommended that East Norriton Township release the amount of \$32,412.44 to the developer, Arch Holdings LLC for the completion of required site improvements at the development. Chairwoman DiPiero made a motion to authorize Escrow Release No. Five. The motion was seconded by Supervisor McDevitt and approved unanimously.

Chairwoman DiPiero introduced the next item on the agenda, Escrow Release No. One – 53-55 West Germantown Pike. Director of Engineering Services, James Sullivan reviewed a request for escrow

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release. Based upon RVE's inspection of the work completed, it is recommended that East Norriton Township release the amount of \$1,844,673.50 to the developer, E. Kahn Development Corp. for the completion of required site improvements at the development. Chairwoman DiPiero made a motion to authorize Escrow Release No. One. The motion was seconded by Supervisor DeSanto and approved unanimously.

Chairwoman DiPiero introduced the next item on the agenda, Authorization to Readvertise the 2021 Liquid Fuels Road Program. Director of Engineering Services, James Sullivan reviewed that there was a problem with the bid advertising in that the Township did not meet the second-class code requirements. Therefore, the township must readvertise this project. Chairwoman DiPiero made a motion to authorize the readvertisement for the 2021 Liquid Fuels Road Program. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Gavanus and approved unanimously.

Chairwoman DiPiero introduced the next item on the agenda, 8 E. Germantown LLC. Township Solicitor, Sean Kilkenny reviewed a reverse assessment appeal filed by NASD. Chairwoman DiPiero made a motion to approved the proposed settlement stipulation. The motion was seconded by Supervisor McDevitt and approved unanimously.

Chairwoman DiPiero introduced the next item on the agenda, 2101 New Hope Street. Township Solicitor, Sean Kilkenny reviewed a reverse assessment appeal filed by NASD. Chairwoman DiPiero made a motion to approved the proposed settlement stipulation. The motion was seconded by Supervisor DeSanto and approved unanimously.

Chairwoman DiPiero introduced the next item on the agenda, East Norriton Township Preliminary 2022 Budget Presentation. Director of Finance, David Crist reviewed the initial 2022 proposed budget. Chairwoman DiPiero made a motion to authorize the advertisement of the preliminary budget and to schedule the budget presentations during the regular Board of Supervisors meetings for November 16, 2021 and December 14, 2021. The motion was seconded by Supervisor DeSanto and approved unanimously.

Chairwoman DiPiero introduced the next item on the agenda, Monthly Expenditures. Finance Director, David Crist reviewed the expenditures from September 28, 2020 thru October 26, 2021 totaling \$1,188,211.19 including payroll. Chairwoman DiPiero made a motion to approve the monthly expenditures. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Gavanus and approved unanimously.

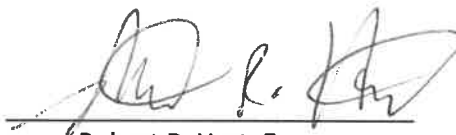
Chairwoman DiPiero asked if there was any, “Other Business”, there was none.

Chairwoman DiPiero called on Township Manager, Robert Hart for the Manager’s Update. Mr. Hart reported on the well-attended Trunk or Treat event that was held on Saturday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>. Mr. Hart thanked all the staff involved with the event. Mr. Hart also stated that the annual Tree Lighting event planning is under way. Mr. Hart reported that he has been in contact with PECO regarding the continual outages in our area. PECO is shortening their trim trees back schedule, they plan to redevelop substations to accommodate better service, and they have a major utility line project scheduled for North Wales Road for 2022.

Chairwoman DiPiero asked if there were any citizens to be heard; Ken Christovich of 2937 Tanglewood Lane questioned the Township’s plan relative to the long-term grant money that was earmarked for the Township’s modernization to the traffic signal devices/controls. Township Manager, Robert Hart stated that the Township is looking for other grants, since the bids came in more than double the initial cost estimates. Mr. Christovich asked what work has been done. Director of Engineering Services, James Sullivan reviewed that the installation of radar detection equipment on approximately eight intersections has been completed. The adaptive signal plan that was proposed for fifteen intersections along Germantown Pike that Mr. Hart referenced was not completed. The grant was returned and a funding source has opened up again and the Township will be applying. The original grant was with a fifty percent match and is now down to a fifteen percent match.

Chairwoman DiPiero made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m.; the motion was seconded by Supervisor McDevitt and approved unanimously.



  
Robert R. Hart, Esq.  
Secretary