

East Norriton Township – Regular Meeting – Zoom
May 26, 2020

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of East Norriton Township was held via Zoom. The meeting was called to order by Chairman McDevitt at 7:02 p.m. on Tuesday, May 26, 2020.

Roll call was taken: Chairman, Kevin McDevitt, Vice Chairwoman, Amanda Cappelletti, Supervisor, Dennis DeSanto Jr., Supervisor, Ashley DiPiero and Supervisor, Joseph Gavanus Jr., Chief of Police, Brandon Pasquale, Finance Director, David Crist, Director of Engineering Services, Jim Sullivan, Assistant Township Manager, Jeff Winterbottom, Township Manager, Robert Hart, and Township Solicitor, Sean Kilkenny were present for the Zoom meeting.

Chairman McDevitt announced that the Board of Supervisors met earlier via Zoom this evening in Executive Session.

Chairman McDevitt introduced the first item on the agenda, Approval of Meeting Minutes. Supervisor DeSanto made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 28, 2020. The motion was seconded by Supervisor DiPiero and approved unanimously.

Chairman McDevitt asked if there were any citizens to be heard, Mr. Crist reported that there were no questions/comments submitted at this time.

Chairman McDevitt asked if there were any comments from the Board of Supervisors. Vice Chairwoman Cappelletti wanted to remind everyone an primary election is coming up on Tuesday, June 2nd. Polling locations have been condensed because of the current pandemic we are in. Vice Chairwoman Cappelletti stated that polling locations can be found online. Everyone is encouraged to vote either by mail or safely in person. Supervisor DeSanto wanted to recognize the group of veterans that placed flags on the graves of veterans at the Norris City Avenue Cemetery this past Saturday..

Chairman McDevitt introduced the first item on the agenda under, “Old Business”, Ordinance 584 – Amending Chapter 10 – Township Fire Chief. Township Manager, Robert Hart reviewed Ordinance 584 amending Part 1, Administrative Legislation, Chapter 10 which has been duly advertised. Chairman McDevitt made a motion to approve Ordinance 584. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairwoman Cappelletti and approved unanimously.

Chairman McDevitt introduced the next item on the agenda, Authorization to Finalize the Award for the Road Program. Director of Engineering Services, James Sullivan reviewed that the thirty-day Responsible Contractor period for the Road Program will expire prior to the June Board of Supervisors meeting and Scott Building Corp. has demonstrated that they will be meeting all the requirements of the Responsible Contractor Ordinance. It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors authorize the Township Manager to finalize the award of the Road Program to Scott Building Corp. Chairman McDevitt made a motion to authorize the Township Manager to finalize the award of the Road Program to Scott Building Corp. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Gavanus and approved unanimously.

Chairman McDevitt introduced the first item on the agenda under, “New Business”, Authorization to Advertise Non-Uniformed Pension Ordinance Amendment. Finance Director, David Crist reviewed this item was previously discussed and he is requesting for authorization to advertise the pension reform changes to the Non-Uniformed Pension plan. Township Manager, Robert Hart stated the Township should have the reform changes in the next few days. Chairman McDevitt made a motion to authorize advertisement of the proposed ordinance. The motion was seconded by Supervisor DiPiero and approved unanimously.

Chairman McDevitt introduced the next item on the agenda, Proclamation – Class of 2020. Chairman McDevitt read into record the Proclamation – Class of 2020. Vice Chairwoman Cappelletti wished the Class of 2020 the absolute best. Supervisor DiPiero wished the graduates a heartfelt congratulations.

Vice Chairwoman Cappelletti had mentioned earlier that June 2nd is the primary election. For the first time in Pennsylvania history that we have the no excuse mail in balloting. Vice Chairwoman Cappelletti stated drop boxes for the ballots have been placed at five locations throughout the county. However, the five locations do not seem to be enough. Vice Chairwoman Cappelletti made a motion to have the Township Solicitor draft a letter urging the Montgomery County Board of Elections to allow each and every polling location in the county to serve as a ballot drop box location on election day. The motion was seconded by Supervisor DeSanto and approved unanimously.

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Chairman McDevitt announced that all upcoming meetings have been postponed until further notice. Please keep up to date via the Township website and social media.

Chairman McDevitt asked if there were any public comments at this time; Finance Director, David Crist reported that there were none.

Chairman McDevitt asked if there was any Other Business to be discussed; there was none.

Chairman McDevitt called on Robert Hart for the Manager's Update. Mr. Hart reported that the township hopes to have the June meeting in person; Mr. Hart reported that a senior staff meeting is being held tomorrow to discuss transitioning back to as close to full service as possible after we enter the "yellow phase" and Township staff will continue to make sure all precautions are followed. Mr. Hart commended staff that who have worked in these extremely stressful times. Mr. Hart shared with everyone to stay tuned for June 18th the Township is expecting to have a drive-in movie, more information will be released soon.

Vice Chairwoman Cappelletti made a motion to adjourn the Zoom meeting at 7:25 p.m.; the motion was seconded by Supervisor DiPiero and approved unanimously.



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

Robert R. Hart, Esq.
Secretary

