

East Norriton Township – Regular Meeting – Zoom  
August 25, 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 7:03 p.m. on Tuesday, August 25, 2020.

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

Chairman McDevitt announced that the Board of Supervisors met earlier via Zoom this evening in Executive Session; where they discussed matters of litigation and personnel.

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 the Board of Supervisors for July 28, 2020. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Gavanus and approved unanimously. Vice Chairwoman Cappelletti made a motion to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting held on August 11, 2020. The motion was seconded by Supervisor DeSanto and approved unanimously.

Chairman McDevitt introduced the next item on the agenda, Finance Reports. Chairman McDevitt made a motion to approve the finance reports for July 2020. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Gavanus and approved unanimously.

Chairman McDevitt introduced the next item on the agenda, Township Reports. Chairman McDevitt made a motion to approve the Township Reports. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairwoman Cappelletti and approved unanimously.

Chairman McDevitt asked if there were any citizens to be heard, Mr. Crist reported that there were none at this time.

Chairman McDevitt asked if there were any comments from the Board of Supervisors. There were no comments.

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Chairman McDevitt introduced the first item under “Old Business”, Ordinance 585 - Fireworks. Township Solicitor, Sean Kilkenny reviewed a few highlights of Ordinance 585: fireworks cannot be ignited or discharged on East Norriton Township property; you cannot ignite fireworks two hours after dusk as defined by the National Weather Service; and fireworks cannot be ignited within 150 feet of any occupied structure. Chairman McDevitt made a motion to approve Ordinance 585. The motion was seconded by Supervisor DeSanto and approved unanimously.

Supervisor DiPiero joined the meeting.

Chairman McDevitt introduced the first item under, “New Business”, Recycling Service Proposal – F.X. Browne, Inc. Director of Engineering Services, James Sullivan reviewed the Recycling Service Proposal scope of work to cover: Complete Montgomery County Recycling Report, Obtain Valid Documentation from Haulers, Complete and Submit Section 904 Grant Application, Prepare the Year End Report and Develop Recycling News Articles. Chairman McDevitt made a motion to accept the proposal for recycling services from F. X. Browne, Inc. not to exceed \$4,800.00. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Cappelletti and approved unanimously.

Chairman McDevitt introduced the next item on the agenda, Accept Vince Gillen’s Zoning Hearing Board Resignation. Township Manager, Robert Hart reviewed that the Township received Vince Gillen’s resignation effective August 7, 2020. Chairman McDevitt made a motion to accept Vince Gillen’s resignation. The motion was seconded by Supervisor DeSanto and approved unanimously.

Chairman McDevitt introduced the next item on the agenda, Resolution No. 2812 – Appointing a Zoning Hearing Board Member. Township Manager, Robert Hart reviewed Resolution No. 2812 appointing Anthony McCloy to the East Norriton Township Zoning Hearing Board for a balance of a three-year term expiring December 31, 2020. Chairman McDevitt made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2812. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Gavanus and approved unanimously.

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Chairman McDevitt introduced the next item on the agenda, Authorization for an Appraisal of a Portion of the Gill Quarry Property. Township Manager, Robert Hart reviewed the appraisal for the 64 acres of the back portion of the quarry that are currently zoned AR Residential. Chairman McDevitt made a motion to approve the appraisal not to exceed \$5,000.00. The motion was seconded by Supervisor DeSanto and approved unanimously.

Chairman McDevitt introduced the next item on the agenda, Authorization to Advertise – Ordinance Establishing a Mechanism to Process the Minor Nonviolent Offenses of Personal Possession or Personal Use of a Small Amount of Marijuana and Personal Possession of Marijuana Paraphernalia Within the Limits of East Norriton Township. Township Solicitor, Sean Kilkenny reviewed the proposed ordinance. Chairman McDevitt made a motion to authorize the advertisement of the proposed ordinance. The motion was seconded by Supervisor DiPiero and approved unanimously.

Chairman McDevitt introduced the next item on the agenda, Resolution No. 2813 – Appointing a Tax Collector. Township Manager, Robert Hart reviewed the Special Meeting held on August 11, 2020 appointing a new Tax Collector. Chairman McDevitt made a motion to approved Resolution No. 2813 appointing Rose Marie McCloy as Tax Collector. The motion was seconded by Supervisor DeSanto and approved unanimously.

Chairman McDevitt introduced the next item on the agenda, Accept Robert Hart's Resignation from the East Norriton-Plymouth-Whitpain Joint Sewer Authority. Township Manager, Robert Hart reviewed that he has served on the JSA for a little over a year and he is offering his resignation tonight. Chairman McDevitt made a motion to accept Robert Hart's ENPW JSA resignation. The motion was seconded by Supervisor DiPiero and approved unanimously.

Chairman McDevitt introduced the next item on the agenda, Appoint Joseph Gavanus to the East Norriton-Plymouth-Whitpain Joint Sewer Authority. Township Manager, Robert Hart reviewed this item. Chairman McDevitt made a motion to appoint Supervisor, Joseph Gavanus to the East Norriton-Plymouth-Whitpain Joint Sewer Authority to serve the balance of a five-year term expiring December 31, 2024. The motion was seconded by Supervisor DiPiero and approved 4-0 with Supervisor Gavanus abstaining from the vote.

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Chairman McDevitt asked if there were any Citizens to be Heard. Finance Director, Dave Crist reported that Tina Howell of 2945 Stoney Creek Road commented that the side of the street where all the debris was can be picked up now. This side is clear of all the barriers and the curb areas have been filled in. Township Manager, Robert Hart stated he would speak with our Public Works Director about collecting the yard waste debris. Mr. Hart also stated that the Public Works Department will be rotating where they start the monthly collection. Mr. Crist reported that Nick Marinelli from 3104 Greenhill Lane asked if the Township and Financial reports will be uploaded to the website? Were they uploaded last year? Township Manager, Robert Hart reported that these reports were available pre COVID at the meetings. The Township will investigate why these reports can't be uploaded on the website.

Chairman McDevitt read the Supervisors Schedule of Meetings from September 7, 2020 through September 22, 2020.

Chairman McDevitt asked if there was any Other Business. There was none.

Chairman McDevitt called on Township Manager, Robert Hart for Manager's Update. Mr. Hart thanked everyone for their patience during the road program. Mr. Hart announced that staff is looking into having a Drive-In Movie September 12<sup>th</sup>. And Mr. Hart reviewed that there is some misinformation out that Aqua is raising their rates. East Norriton Township rates should remain the same for the next two years. The first Aqua bill that went out was for a period of approximately 40 days making the monthly bill a little higher than normal. A fact sheet is going out shortly to all the residents. Mr. Hart reviewed that he has reached out to the president of Aqua regarding alternate meters and that Aqua is reviewing our request. Mr. Hart also reported that the Township has been in contact with the St. Titus representative and will have more information soon.

Chairman McDevitt made a motion to adjourn the Zoom meeting at 7:41 p.m.; the motion was seconded by Supervisor DeSanto 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