

East Norriton Township – Regular Meeting
March 26, 2019

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of East Norriton Township was called to order by Chairman McDevitt at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 26, 2019, at the Township Municipal Building. Supervisors present were Kevin McDevitt, Amanda Cappelletti, Dennis DeSanto Jr., Ashley DiPiero, and Joseph Gavanus Jr.

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

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

Chairman McDevitt introduced the first item on the agenda, Presentation of a Certificate of Commendation – Norriton Fire Engine Company Battalion Chief, Andrew Myers. The Board of Supervisors presented Andrew Myers with a Certificate of Commendation in recognition of his outstanding service on February 6, 2019 assisting on a fire call with Jefferson Fire Company and aiding a fellow firefighter.

Chairman McDevitt introduced the next item on the agenda, Public Hearing – 2311 Old Arch Road. Vice Chairwoman Cappelletti made a motion to open the public hearing. The motion was seconded by Supervisor DiPiero and approved unanimously. Chairman McDevitt explained that the purpose of the Public Hearing is to consider a Zoning Map Amendment Application for 2311 Old Arch Road in the AR Residential District (AKA WNAP 11AM Gospel Highway Site). Better Living Homes, Inc. has requested an amendment of the East Norriton Township Zoning Map, to change the zoning classification of Parcel No. 33-00-00133-00-5, from AR Residential to CR Residential, where the applicant proposes to construct forty townhouses. Better Living Homes, Inc. has also requested an amendment of sections 205-37 and 205-38 of the East Norriton Township's Zoning Ordinance, concerning building height, and building setbacks for developments in the CR Residential District. David Brunner of 32 Brownstone Drive, President of the HOA for the Reserve at Penn Crossing expressed concerns with drainage issues and the high-water table levels; the buffer area and questioned if there would be subdivision/land development meetings. Township Engineer, Kelly Goff responded to Mr. Brunner's concerns. Solicitor, Sean Kilkenny stated that the Township will notify residents on social media when the meetings will occur. Dan Goodman of 74 Brownstone Drive, Vice President of the HOA for the Reserve at Penn Crossing also expressed concerns with the water table levels. Chairman McDevitt made a motion to close the public hearing at 7:28 p.m. and the motion was seconded by Supervisor DeSanto. *Transcripts for the Public Hearing are available at the Township for review.*

Chairman McDevitt introduced the next item on the agenda, Approval of Meeting Minutes. Chairman McDevitt made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 26, 2019. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Gavanus and approved unanimously.

Chairman McDevitt introduced the next item on the agenda, Finance Reports for February 2019. Chairman McDevitt made a motion to approve the Finance Reports. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairwoman Cappelletti and approved unanimously.

Chairman McDevitt introduced the next item on the agenda, Township Reports. Chairman McDevitt made a motion to approve the Township Reports for February 2019. The motion was seconded by Supervisor DiPiero and approved unanimously.

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

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

Supervisor Gavanus introduced the first item on the agenda under “Old Business”, Ordinance 582 – Zoning Map Amendment. Director of Planning and Code Enforcement/Zoning Director, Tiffany Loomis reviewed Ordinance 582 which was the subject of a public hearing held earlier in the evening. Vice Chairwoman Cappelletti made a motion to approve Ordinance 582. The motion was seconded by Supervisor DiPiero and approved unanimously.

Supervisor Gavanus introduced the next item on the agenda, Ordinance 583 – Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment. Director of Planning and Code Enforcement/Zoning Director, Tiffany Loomis reviewed Ordinance 583 which was the subject of a public hearing held earlier in the evening. Supervisor DeSanto made a motion to approve Ordinance 583. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Gavanus and approved unanimously.

Supervisor DiPiero introduced the first item on the agenda under, “New Business”, Resolution No. 2774 – Approving a Formal Policy Protecting Personally Identifiable Information. Finance Director, David Crist reviewed this resolution. Supervisor DeSanto made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2774. The motion was seconded by Supervisor DiPiero and approved unanimously.

Supervisor DeSanto introduced the next item on the agenda, Zoning Hearing Board Resignation. Chairman McDevitt made a motion to accept John Adam DiPietro’s resignation from the Zoning Hearing Board. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairwoman Cappelletti and approved unanimously.

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Supervisor DiPiero introduced the next item on the agenda, Resolution No. 2775 – Appointment to the Zoning Hearing Board. Chairman McDevitt made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2775 appointing Andrew Grisafi to fill the vacant position on the Zoning Hearing Board for the balance of a three-year term expiring December 31, 2021. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairwoman Cappelletti.

Supervisor DeSanto introduced the next item on the agenda, Authorize the Purchase of a Freightliner 114SD. Finance Director, David Crist reviewed this item. Supervisor Gavanus made a motion to authorize the seven-year lease through COSTARS. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

Chairman McDevitt read the Supervisors Schedule of Meetings from April 6, 2019 through April 23, 2019.

Chairman McDevitt introduced the next item on the agenda, “Other Business”. Supervisor DeSanto announced that on Friday, April 5, 2019 he will be participating in the Harlem Wizards basketball game at Norristown Area High School. Supervisor DiPiero announced that East Norriton Little League Opening Day is Saturday, April 13th at 9:00 a.m. All are welcome to attend. The Board of Supervisors presented Larry Brown with a proclamation, proclaiming Monday, April 1, 2019 as “Larry Brown Day”.

Chairman McDevitt called on Township Manager, Robert Hart for the Manger’s Update. Mr. Hart, on behalf of the Township staff, thanked Larry Brown for his forty plus years of dedicated service to East Norriton Township.

Chairman McDevitt asked if there were any residents who wished to speak; there were none.

Vice Chairwoman Cappelletti made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 p.m.; the motion was seconded by Supervisor Gavanus and approved unanimously.



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Secretary

