

DOYLESTOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

REGULAR MEETING

December 2, 2008

The Regular Meeting of the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors was held at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 2, 2008 at the Doylestown Township Municipal Building, 425 Wells Road, Doylestown, PA. Members of the Board of Supervisors in attendance included Barbara N. Lyons, Chairman; E. Thomas Scarborough, Jr., Vice Chairman; Jeffrey Bennett; Cynthia Philo and Barbara Eisenhardt. Others in attendance included Jeffrey Garton, Township Solicitor; Stephen White Chief of Police; Mario Canales, Township Engineer and Stephanie Mason, Township Manager.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Ms. Lyons announced that the Board held an Executive Session regarding a personnel matter at 6:30 p.m. this evening.

PRESENTATIONS:

J. Friel Retirement Plaque:

Ms. Lyons announced that John Friel is retiring as Assistant Code Enforcement Officer and Assistant Fire Marshal. She read the resolution into the record (See attached). Mr. Friel was presented with a plaque by Ms. Lyons on behalf of the Board of Supervisors in recognition of his 14 year of service to Doylestown Township.

Promotion to Corporal of Police:

Chief White recommended that the Board of Supervisors promote Police Officer Christopher S. Power to Corporal of Police as he completed the written test and oral board and is the next eligible candidate.

Mr. Scarborough made a MOTION, seconded by Ms. Eisenhardt to promote Police Officer Christopher S. Power to Corporal of Police.

MOTION was ADOPTED 5-0.

Corporal Christopher S. Power took the oath of office and was sworn in by District Judge Philip Daly.

VISITOR COMMENTS:

Joe Paternostro commented that there were articles in the newspaper recently that Pennsylvania passed a Bill for \$650 million dollars to help people put through solar power, geothermal and wind powers. Lockheed is building a research plant for solar power in Morristown, New Jersey. He asked the Board to be proactive in assisting residents with wind energy.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Ms. Lyons announced that the next meeting of the Board of Supervisors is scheduled for Tuesday, December 16, 2008 and the Planning Commission Meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 9, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at Lenape Middle School regarding Temple Judea.

MINUTES APPROVAL:

Mr. Scarborough made a MOTION, seconded by Ms. Eisenhardt to approve the minutes of the November 18, 2008 Board of Supervisors Meeting.

MOTION was ADOPTED 5-0.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Bike and Hike Grant:

Ms. Mason announced that the Township has received a Community Trail Connector Feasibility Study grant from DCNR in the amount of \$17,500.

REPORTS:

Solicitor: No report.

Police Chief: No report.

Township Engineer: No report.

Township Manager:

Ms. Mason noted we have a project that is a cooperative venture between the Doylestown Community Performing Arts Council and the Doylestown Art League where we will raffle off an original Taylor Oughton acrylic painting, "July at Addis's" (The old Worthington Farm, Dark Hollow Road in Buckingham, PA.). It will remain on display at the Township Administrative Office. The cost of the raffle tickets is \$5.00 and will be available at the Township Building, the Doylestown Bookshop and the Michener Gallery. The winner of the raffle will be picked at 1:00 p.m. Friday, March 13, 2009 and the Board of Supervisors will present the painting at a meeting held on March 17, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

Supervisors:

Mr. Bennett noted that the Board received a letter from Gene Smith, YMCA inviting us to participate in recreational activities and programming with our Parks Department and, since he is the liaison to the Parks & Recreation Department, he asked for a consensus from the Board to take that request to the Parks Department.

The Board agreed.

Mr. Scarborough commented that he attended the groundbreaking for the Rt. 202 Parkway. It is an 8.4 mile stretch between Montgomery Township and Doylestown Township that will connect to the bypass behind the park. It will take until 2011 before it is completed.

Ms. Eisenhardt commented that Ms. Lyons usually announces at the beginning of the meeting that it is being taped and recorded. She suggested placing a sign on the desk in front of where Ms. Lyons sits that way she would not have to announce it at every meeting.

Chief White suggested placing a sign on the front door to the meeting room.

Ms. Eisenhardt commented that residents can take their leaves for composting to Delaware Valley College. If a third party removes leaves for a resident; is that third party allowed to take the leaves to the composting site?

Mr. Scarborough replied no. We have discussed that at EAC meetings and it would be hard to control, and it is only for Doylestown Township residents.

Ms. Eisenhardt asked if a landscaper offers the service of raking leaves for a Township resident; would they be able to take those leaves to our composting site?

Solicitor Garton suggested that the EAC work on documentation that would be sufficient to provide the opportunity to pickup other people's leaves.

Mr. Scarborough replied we will discuss it at the next EAC meeting.

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ADJOURNMENT: 7:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie Mason, Township Manager

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