

**Minutes of the**  
**April 5, 2011**  
**Board of Supervisor's Regular Meeting**

The Regular Meeting of The Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors was held at 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 5, 2011 in the Doylestown Township Municipal Building, 425 Wells Road, Doylestown, PA. Members of the Board of Supervisors in attendance included Chairman; Barbara N. Lyons, Vice Chairman; Richard F. Colello, Supervisors; E. Thomas Scarborough, Jr., Barbara Eisenhardt and Cynthia M. Philo. Others in attendance included Township Manager; Stephanie J. Mason, Director of Operations; Richard E. John, Township Solicitor; Jeffrey P. Garton, Chief of Police; Stephen J. White

Absent: Township Engineer; Mario Canales

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

The Board met in Execution Session, prior to the meeting, to discuss matters of litigation and personnel. Mrs. Lyons advised the public a new proposal on the Grasso Tract will be addressed at the May 3, 2011 Board of Supervisors meeting. Notices will be mailed to neighboring residents who are encouraged to attend this meeting.

**VISITOR / PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Resident: Ernie Gash of 15 Wilshire Road announced the Bucks County Senior Games will begin the first week of June. After the fourth the track will change in the morning from Central Bucks West to Tinicum Elementary.

Madeline Rawley of 361 Birdsong Way thanked the Board for sending a letter to the Delaware River Basin Commission, in which an extension was granted until April 15, 2011 for public comments. Ms. Rawley then referenced a Philadelphia Inquirer article which noted a comment from the Philadelphia Water Company regarding the potential problems with the industry and scientific uncertainty and their contributions to contaminated drinking water along Bucks County. Ms. Lyons clarified the township's drinking is supplied by Doylestown Township Municipal Authority (DTMA).

**PRESENTATION:**

22<sup>ND</sup> Annual President Leadership Award – Stephanie Mason

Mrs. Lyons announced the 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual President Leadership award from the Pennsylvania Association of Township Supervisors for outstanding contributions from a Township Manger to Stephanie Mason. Mrs. Lyons along with the assistance of Special Projects Manager; Sandra Zadell, Director of Parks and Recreation; Karen Sweeney and Township Administrative Assistant; Jackie Rowland created a 28 page petition and nomination form, endorsed by Senator Charles T. McIlhinney Jr., State Representative Marguerite Quinn along with other officials. The nomination form noted Ms. Mason's management completion of amenities to the township during her tenure. These contributions included the Cross Keys Water project, installation of a Rain Garden at Delaware Valley College and Environmental Education area in Central Park, member of the Route 202 Section 700 Community Task Force. Ms. Mason's other contributions includes the creation of Doylestown Boro, Doylestown Township Park and Recreation Open Space comprehensive plan, submittal of ten balanced budgets and coordination of most Open Space

acquisitions to date and several prospects in 2011.

During Ms. Mason's leadership Doylestown Township was awarded, the 2008 & 2009 PSATS Outstanding Citizens Communication award for the Park and Recreation Guide, newsletter, TV Channel and Website, The Pennsylvania Horticulture Society Award for outstanding public planning, 2002 Delaware Valley Insurance Trust Special Achievement award for Workers Compensation and Safety, the Doylestown Hospital Village Improvement Association for Bike and Hike trails, 2009 Governor's award for local government excellence, 2008 American Society for Highway Engineers in Delaware Valley and Destination Doylestown Phase II Road and Bridge Safety Improvement award. Most important, Ms. Mason directed 18 years of 18 miles of the Bike and Hike trail in Doylestown Township, which secured 1.4 million dollars in grants toward the project. The award will be presented to Ms. Mason at the April 20, 2011 Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors convention. Mrs. Lyons then read a congratulations letter from Marguerite Quinn, which noted an order of a citation from the House of Representatives in Ms. Mason's honor.

Stunned and elated, Ms. Mason thanked Ms. Lyons for the nomination, the Board and township staff for this recognition. Ms. Mason stated with the support of her staff, such as Sandra Zadell, Karen Sweeney, Richard John and Chief White, Doylestown Township is a wonderful place to work. Ms. Mason then thanked her family, husband; Hal Margolit, and their sons, Lee and Aaron for their love and support.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

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The Touch – a – Truck event is scheduled for Saturday, May 7, 2011, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m., at Central Park (free)

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**MINUTES APPROVAL:**

Mr. Scarborough made a MOTION; seconded by Mrs. Eisenhardt to approve the minutes of the March 15, 2011, Board of Supervisors Regular meeting with the following corrections.

Page 3; Under Supervisor's Paragraph - Change Lyons Club to Lions Club.



meeting.

Mrs. Eisenhardt added if a Selective Enforcement Detail can be performed due to the road increasing to 40 mile per hour. Chief White responded; once Penn Dot approves the speed reduction through St. Lawrence Way, it will be easier for police officers to enforce.

Ms. Philo questioned if Warwick Township supports to the reduction in speed. Chief White indicated Warwick currently enforces the speed because of a school located in the area.

Mrs. Eisenhardt suggested the Board sends a letter to neighboring townships seeking support. Chief White indicated the letter may not be well received.

**TOWNSHIP MANAGER:**

**DOYLESTOWN DART SERVICE**

At a recent March 22, 2011 meeting regarding the Dart Service. Ms. Mason reported State Representative Marguerite Quinn's office is working very hard to receive funding on a state level and local company support to continue DART service beyond June 30, 2011. To promote an increase in service, the township plans to research other municipalities' bus service and create flyers and brochures.

Ms. Mason then requested Board's direction on if the township should allocate TMA dues budgeted in the amount of \$1,400.00 towards the Dart service in 2011. Currently, Doylestown Borough contribute \$5,000.00 towards the service. If support is received from the state, the township will be asked to match the Borough's donation in 2012.

Ms. Philo made a MOTION; seconded by Mrs. Eisenhardt the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors approve contributing \$1400.00 originally budgeted for the TMA dues towards the Doylestown Dart Bus Service for 2011.

MOTION was ADOPTED 5 to 0.

**SUPERVISORS:**

Mrs. Eisenhardt inquired if township department head's cellular phone numbers can be added to the official contact master list for Doylestown Township. The Board agreed.

Ms. Philo reported a notice has been sent regarding the Lower State Road Bridge over the Neshaminy Creek. The northern section of Lower State Road Bridge at the intersection of Almshouse Road will be closed for major construction from April 18, 2011 until August of 2012. The southern portion will only be open for local traffic and appropriate signage will be posted.

Ms. Mason added the Covered Bridge along Ferry Road will be closed for approximately thirty days beginning sometime in the end of April.

Mr. Colello commented on the many letters received from residents commending the township for their construction projects and cleanliness of the roads.

Bucks County has developed a Master Bicycle Plan. Meetings are scheduled with Central, Lower and Upper Bucks on April 20, 2011, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., at the Doylestown Township Municipal Building. Mr. Colello welcome public comments and hopes the meeting is well attended.

At the last Planning Commission meeting, the Environmental Advisory Committee requested direction from the commission regarding the long standing Outdoor Furnace ordinance. Township Planning Consultant; Judy Stern Goldstein offered her services to review the ordinance and provide her comments for Board's consideration in May.

Mrs. Lyons commented on the huge decision from Bucks County to develop the Master Bicycle Plan and encouraged residents to participate in these very important discussions. There are some issues pending on whether the township's bike and hike trails are sufficient or if a separate trail should be considered.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Environmental Advisory Committee Request Survey on Trash Service – Keith Peters

The Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors agreed by consensus to authorize the Environmental Advisory Committee submits a Trash & Recycling Survey in the Doylestown Township Summer Newsletter.

Eagle Scout Proclamation

Mr. Scarborough commented on his attendance at the Boy Scout Troop 24 member; Matthew Francis McGurk's award of Eagle Scout Court of Honor on April 3, 2011 and spoke of Matthew proudly.

MOTION was ADOPTED 5 to 0.

Road Materials Bid

Mrs. Eisenhardt made a MOTION; seconded by Mr. Scarborough to award bids for supply and delivery of Road Material (stone and black top) during the 2011/2012 year, as per the recommendation of Director of Operations; Richard E. John to the following...

<i>Eureka Stone Quarry, Inc.</i>	<i>\$71,994.00</i>
<i>Hanson Aggregates BMC, Inc.</i>	<i>\$308.00</i>
<i>H&amp;K Materials, div. Haines &amp; Kibblehouse, Inc.</i>	<i>\$108,630.00</i>
<i>Plumstead Materials, div. Naceville Materials, Inc.</i>	<i>\$2,025.00</i>

MOTION was ADOPTED 5 to 0.

Zoning Hearing Board

The Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors agreed by consensus to forward Delaware Valley College's at 700 Butler Avenue, Doylestown request for variance for deviation from parking lot buffer requirements to the Zoning Hearing Board as per the recommendation of Ms. Mason.

DBD Realty, LTD – 2015 Lower State Road

The Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors agreed by consensus to forward DBD Realty, LTD at 2015 Lower State Road request for variance to increase in allowable maximum net density to the Zoning Hearing Board as per the recommendation of Ms. Mason.

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**ADJOURNMENT:** 7:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by;

Stephanie J. Mason, Secretary