

Board of Supervisors

Regular Meeting

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Tuesday, March 3, 2020

5:00 PM

Community Meeting Room

I. 5:00 PM REGULAR MEETING

Members of the Board of Supervisors in attendance included Chairperson Barbara N. Lyons, Vice Chairperson Ryan Manion, with Supervisors; Jennifer V. Herring, Nancy Santacecilia and Dan Wood.

Township Staff in attendance included Township Manager Stephanie J. Mason, Director of Operations Dave Tomko, Chief of Police A. Dean Logan and Township Engineer Geoffrey J. Attanasio.

Absent staff included Township Solicitor Jeffrey P. Garton.

A. Pledge to the flag

B. Presentations: Boards and Committees Year End Recaps

1. Planning Commission - T. Kelso

Mr. Kelso expressed that a member of the Planning Commission, George Lowenstein passed away and noted his accomplishments and time on the board. He went on to report the commission's success in 2019. Specifically, he reported the plan review for Tabor, continued the Grasso project, and completed housekeeping on ordinances. He noted in the coming year the Commission is looking ahead to focus on opportunities in the community for senior housing and the use of large spaces such as retail stores. He used the Doylestown Point Shopping Center as an example.

2. Bike / Hike - T. Kelso

Mr. Kelso reported the most successful public involvement project from 2019 was the Turk Road/Pebble Hill Project. He also noted the Neshaminy Greenway Trail was successful as they collaborated with New Britain Township and Chalfont Borough. Mr. Kelso reviewed other projects in the works such as Shady Retreat Road and the Pooles Corner feasibility study.

He explained the committee is looking forward to new initiatives such as destination Central Bucks South/ Mill Creek and connecting the Pine Run to the trail system.

3. DTMA - Exec. Dir. K. Hass

Mr. Hass reviewed 2019 water quality and operations. He noted they exceeded all state and federal Safe Drinking Water Act requirements along with other accomplishments. He explained DTMA's system expansion over the year and noted eighteen residential accounts were added. Mr. Hass the 2020 projects include many updates and implementations.

4. Public Water and Sewer Advisory Board - TBA

Ms. Mason explained the representative was unable to attend.

5. Environmental Advisory Council - Chairman J. Mitchell

Ms. Mitchell reviewed many goals the Council completed in 2019. She noted the Council's presence in the community has increased over the year as they have invested in accessories and publications. She explained the Council is working on many projects and are looking forward to the 10 Days for Trees event and encourages residents to take the single use plastics survey found on the Township website. She also reviewed upcoming events and plans for 2020. Ms. Mitchell expressed that a member of the EAC, Don Richardson passed away in December and noted his accomplishments and time on the board.

C. <u>Visitors/Public Comment</u> - None

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. The next meeting of the Board of Supervisors is scheduled for Tuesday, March 17, 2020 at 7:00 PM.
- B. Daylight Savings Time begins on Sunday, March 8th. Remember to set clocks AHEAD 1 hour. It's also a good time to replace the batteries in your Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Detectors.
- C. Doylestown Township Parks and Recreation is running a bus trip to visit the 9/11 Museum and Memorial in New York City on Tuesday, April 21th. For more information or to register please visit www.doylestownrec.com
- D. Doylestown Twp. Park and Recreation in partnership with Premier World Discovery is offering a trip in 2020; Colorado Rockies/Rails and Western National Parks September 13, 2020 9-day trip.
- E. Mark your calendars: April 25, 2020 The Doylestown Twp. Community Yard Sale Event.
- F. Movie and Ski Tickets are available. Please contact the Administration Offices for prices and availability.
- G. Got Pot Holes??? For State Roads call 1-800-FIXROAD For Township Roads, call 215-348-9915.

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III. MINUTES APPROVAL: February 18, 2020

Ms. Herring MOTIONED; seconded by Ms. Santacecilia to approve the minutes. MOTION passed 5-0.

IV. CORRESPONDENCES

V. REPORTS

- A. Solicitor None
- B. Township Engineer None
- C. Police Chief

Chief Logan reported Detective Mokriski attended the Drug and Alcohol Awareness event, as part of the CB Cares Speaker Series. He also noted the Bucks County Drug Alcohol Commission provided a limited amount of free lock boxes for medication; residents can stop in to the Police office and pick one up. Chief Logan stated he attended the BCPAIR program hosted by the Bucks County Drug Alcohol Commission, aimed towards assisting individuals seeking treatment.

D. Dir. of Operations

Mr. Tomko explained the bid and noted the hourly rate is for additional work that may be needed. Ms. Manion MOTIONED; seconded by Mr. Wood to authorize the execution of a one-year contract extension for 2020 Street Sweeping with Reilly Sweeping, Inc. for \$ 37,400.58. MOTION passed 5-0.

- E. Township Manager Training Requests
- 1. IMBA Trails Lab -Elizabeth Wyckoff-B/H

Ms. Mason explained the training is for a community volunteer from the Bike and Hike Committee. Ms. Lyons noted the request from a volunteer it is not typical and is concerned what president it would set for the other boards and commissions. Ms. Mason noted that Ms. Wyckoff received a scholarship to attend the training, funds on account were raised by the Committee and the Bike and Hike Committee members would like Ms. Wyckoff to attend as they expect to apply the knowledge learned to upcoming projects. Ms. Manion requested more discussion to occur in order to create a policy.

Mr. Kelso, a member of the Bike/Hike Committee commented that it is rare to have such an enthusiastic and engaged volunteer like Ms. Wyckoff. He believes it would be beneficial for her to attend the training on behalf of the Bike/Hike Committee.

Mr. Logan inquired if the Board would consider a Township staff member to attend.

Ms. Manion MOTIONED; seconded by Ms. Herring to table the request. MOTION passed 5-0.

- 2. ICMA Northeast Regional Conference Stephanie Mason and Andrea Susten
- 3. PSATS Conference Stephanie Mason and Dave Tomko
- 4. APMM Conference Stephanie Mason and Andrea Susten

Ms. Manion MOTIONED; seconded by Ms. Santacecilia to approve all three requests for staff to attend the trainings as outlined in Ms. Mason's memo. MOTION passed 5-0.

F. Supervisors

Ms. Santacecilia noted the new Dog Park key fobs are active.

Mr. Wood recognized the three new members on Public Water & Sewer Advisory Board. He spoke on the sewer expansion and noted the Environmental Advisory Council is looking for a new member to fill a position on the committee.

Ms. Lyons mentioned the upcoming golf outing on June 1st and the 2020 Performing Arts Series in Central Park.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Proposed Well Ordinance

Ms. Mason explained the reasons behind how the draft ordinance came about. The Board reviewed a memo from Ms. Mason and Mr. Hass and a recent meeting with local realtors. For the discussion on the ordinance, it was noted by the Board that more education is needed before making a decision. Ms. Herring MOTIONED; seconded by Ms. Manion to table the ordinance. MOTION passed 5-0.

VII. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Zoning Hearing Board Application - 1846 S. Easton Rd. – Requests Variance

Ms. Mason recommended leaving the request to the Zoning Hearing Board. The Board agreed.

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IX. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned by Ms. Lyons at 6:14 PM.

Respectfully submitted by

Stephanie J. Mason Secretary