

**Regular Meeting** 



425 Wells Road

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| Tuesday, April 21, 2020 | 7:00 PM | Community Meeting Room |
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# I. 7:00 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, Township Solicitor Jeffrey P. Garton, and Chief of Police A. Dean Logan.

Excused staff included Township Engineer Geoffrey J. Attanasio

- A. <u>Pledge to the flag</u>
- B. Visitors/Public Comment

# II. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. The next meeting of the Board of Supervisors is scheduled for Tuesday, May 19, 2020 at 7:00PM.
- B. The Doylestown Township Administrative Offices will reopen to the public starting May 8, 2020 from 8:30 AM 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday. Unless the Governor issues a further, Stay at Home Order.
- C. Due to the current health crisis The Annual Doylestown Township Golf Out has been postponed until August 24, 2020. For further information, please contact our Administration Offices.

# III. MINUTES APPROVAL: Regular Meeting – March 17, 2020

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

# IV. CORRESPONDENCES

# V. REPORTS

- A. <u>Solicitor</u>
- B. <u>Township Engineer</u>
- C. <u>Police Chief</u>

Chief Logan reported that Lieutenant Matthew O'Connor has retired. Once the Pandemic has past the Board can recognize him for his service to the Township. In addition, he thanked the Township residents and businesses for complying with the Stay at Home Order. Calls for service have decreased; he noted no increase of domestic violence in the Township, as inquired by Ms. Lyons.

D. <u>Dir. of Operations</u>

# E. <u>Township Manager</u>

1. Easton Road PFC SOD & RTC

Ms. Mason explained the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PA DEP) has decided to provide homeowners affected by the contamination with in-house filtration systems and bottled water. Eight properties in the Township have been affected. PA DEP has responded to residents and the Townships questions regarding moving forward.

2. Schedule Budget Work Session for May 19th 5:00 p.m.

The board agreed to host a budget work session May 19, 2020 at 5 p.m. with the Ways and Means and Pension Advisory Committees.

3. Acknowledge changing designated Official Township Holiday, due to the change in the PA Primary Election date from April 28, 2020 to June 2, 2020.

By consensus the board approved designating June 2, 2020 as Primary Election Day Holiday.

F. <u>Supervisors</u>

Ms. Manion thanked the Township staff, the police department, healthcare workers, and essential works for their service.

Ms. Herring reported the Pension Advisory Committee met and is working to revise the investment policy statement.

She thanked Ms. Mason and Mr. Wallace for putting together the financial information. She acknowledged acts of kindness happening throughout Doylestown to help our community. She thanked all the residents for staying at home.

Mr. Wood noted the Environmental Advisory Council is looking for a new member to join the committee. He reported on the current sewer project, work was paused but has since resumed and workers are following CDC guidelines. He also stated the Township trails are being used and to remember trail etiquette and practice social distancing.

Ms. Santacecilia thanked healthcare workers. She noted the school district is assisting with food needs. She congratulated Michael Bahner on his Eagle Scout Proclamation.

Ms. Lyons reported DTMA held their meeting remotely and provided kudos to Mr. Hass and his team. She also noted the Township held a blood drive on April 17, 2020 and thanked Ms. Finley for organizing a successful drive.

Ms. Lyons suggested extending suspension of all Park & Recreation amenities and activities.

Mr. Garton suggested either naming a specific date or extending it until the Governor lifts the Stay at Home Order and suggested to consider Kids Castle.

The board by consensus agreed to continue to keep all Park & Recreation programs, including all Park amenities, structures, and athletic fields in our Township Parks closed through May 31, 2020.

# VI. PUBLIC HEARING -NA

# VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. <u>Eagle Scout Proclamation – Michael Bahner – Troop 71</u>

Ms. Santacecilia MOTIONED; seconded by Mr. Wood to approve the proclamation. MOTION passed 5-0.

# B. <u>Pebble Ridge/Woodridge Sewer Project – BCWSA Payment #10 & #11</u>

Ms. Mason noted the sub-committee agreed to payments #10 & #11.

Mr. Wood MOTIONED; seconded by Ms. Manion to approve the BCWSA Payment #10 & #11. MOTION passed 5-0.

# C. <u>Resolution to Extend Real Estate Tax Deadline</u>

Ms. Manion inquired about clarification regarding the discount payment period. The discounted rate payment date has not changed.

Ms. Herring MOTIONED; seconded by Ms. Manion to approve the extended real estate tax deadline to July 31, 2020. MOTION passed 5-0.

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| D.              | Reissuance of Declaration of Disaster |         |             |
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Ms. Santacecilia MOTIONED; seconded by Ms. Manion to redeclare the Declaration of Disaster. MOTION passed 5-0.

Ε. Treasurers Report – April 21, 2020

> Ms. Manion MOTIONED; seconded by Ms. Herring to approve the Treasurers Report. MOTION passed 5-0.

F. Bills List – April 21, 2020

Mr. Wood MOTIONED; seconded by Ms. Manion to approve the Bills List. MOTION passed 5-0.

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#### IX. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned by Ms. Lyons at 7:31 PM.

Respectfully submitted by

Stephanie J. Mason Secretary

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