

EXECUTIVE SESSION – 6:30 PERSONNEL ISSUES AND A LEGAL ISSUE

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**REGULAR MEETING
Board of Commissioners
Township of Haverford**

**May 10, 2010
MONDAY- 7:30 P.M.
Commissioners Meeting Room**

1. Opening of Meeting – William F. Wechsler, President, called the meeting to order. He indicated that prior to this meeting, the Board met in Executive Session to discuss personnel matters and a legal issue.

- a. Roll Call – 9 Commissioners were present at roll call: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, Connell, D’Emilio and Wechsler.**

Also present were: Lawrence J. Gentile, Township Manager, Lori Hanlon Widdop and Tim Denny, Assistant Township Managers, Kelly Sullivan, Esquire, Township Solicitor, Chief Carmen Pettine, Haverford Police, Aimee Cuthbertson, Finance Director, Chuck Faulkner, Township Engineer.

- b. Opening Prayer – Rev. Dan Kerbeck**

- c. Pledge of Allegiance led by Chief Carmen Pettine**

2. Proclamations – Jane Panichelli, Health Department Retiree – postponed until June

Commissioner D’Emilio presented proclamations to the Haverford Township Tree Crew For completing a tree safety course.

3. Presentation from the Haverford Partnership for Economic Development

Mr. Druen and Mr. Goggin provided a progress report - to date - on the new non profit corporation. The purpose of the partnership is to revitalize commercial businesses by renovating and improving store fronts. The group will be a vehicle to raise funds for revitalizations. They now have by-laws and have filed for a \$500,000 grant. Their website is www.hped.org. The future: government, businesses and residents all working together to revitalize.

4. Township Auditor Update – Mr. O’Fria will provide his report next month.

5. Board of Commissioners Committee Update

Commissioner Siegel, Chair of the Property committee, in addition to committee members: Commissioners Heilmann, Trumbull, McGarrity and Ex Officio Wechsler have the task of reviewing all Township owned buildings.

Completed Tasks

Review of property records was completed. Gary Bogossian, professional architect, provided tremendous input.

As previously discussed, the Police Department needs 20,000 square feet to properly run. The Township Administration also needs 20,000 square feet. The Public Works Department and Vehicle Maintenance Garage are in the worst condition. The bays are undersized and most repairs are being done outside (even in bad weather). The Recreation Department and the Skatium - both preparing and planning.

Recommendations – short term

Consolidate the Police and Administration Building into a state of the art building.
A new Vehicle Maintenance and Repair Facility.

Long Term

Planning ahead – review, repair and replace. The committee will continue to evaluate.

**6. Citizen's Forum – 20 Minutes Registered Speakers
- 20 Minutes Open Forum – Agenda Items Only**

Mr. Houseworth – 129 Landover Road

Expenses are out of control! Mr. Houseworth complemented the Public Works Department on snow removal. He questioned the Police Department overtime and asked who is involved in the employee contract negotiations this year.

Michele Alvarez – 134 Hastings Avenue

Mrs. Alvarez thanked the Board and everyone involved in the building of Freedom Playground.

Mrs. Alvarez is in support of Alternative Energy – Geo thermal and Solar for use in the new recreation community center.

Maria Pardini – 815 Woodland Drive – Freedom Playground

Mrs. Pardini stated that the building of Freedom Playground was truly a community event.

Mike Levin – 414 Mill Road

Mr. Levin would like explanations of the Warrants and what is included in the \$29,000,000 bond? What is this PECO reclassification? The superfund is contaminated. A Y on that site is unacceptable and a health risk.

END OF REGISTERED SPEAKERS

Open Forum

Mr. Houseworth – is concerned about the new indebtedness.

Mr. Pratt – 22 Kathmere Road

Mr. Pratt announced that this is National Police Week. The US can lower the flag on May 15th. May 31st is Prayer for Peace Day. May 25th is National Missing Children's Day. May is also National Military Month.

Commissioner Wechsler announced that a Memorial Day Ceremony will be held on Monday, May 31st, 11:00 a.m. – at the Police Station Circle.

RESPONSES TO CITIZENS' FORUM

Commissioner Wechsler thanked everyone for their comments and stated that he also applauds the Snow Crew and everyone involved in the organizing, fundraising and building of Freedom Playground.

The Board is looking at all alternative energy solutions.

7. Approval of Minutes - Regular Meeting of April 12, 2010

Motion made by Commissioner Siegel and seconded by Commissioner McGarrity to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of April 12, 2010.

Roll Called.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, Connell, D'Emilio and Wechsler.

Commissioner Wechsler asked the Board if they were willing to move Item #11 forward. All were in favor.

****11. Ordinance No. 2605-2010 Non Electoral Debt (first reading is a final reading)**

Motion made by Commissioner Holmes and seconded by Commissioner Trumbull

AUTHORIZING THE INCURRENCE OF NONELECTORAL DEBT OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HAVERFORD BY THE ISSUANCE, OF \$29,500,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES OF 2010 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FUNDS FOR AND TOWARDS FINANCING A CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM, FINANCING A REFINANCING PROGRAM AND PAYING THE COSTS OF ISSUING THE BONDS; AUTHORIZING THE PREPARATION AND FILING OF A DEBT STATEMENT AND OTHER DOCUMENTATION; PROVIDING FOR THE CURRENT REFUNDING OF THE DEBT BEING REFUNDED; COVENANTING TO CREATE A SINKING FUND AND TO BUDGET, APPROPRIATE AND PAY DEBT SERVICE ON THE BONDS AND PLEDGING THE FULL FAITH, CREDIT AND TAXING POWER OF THE TOWNSHIP FOR THE BONDS; SETTING FORTH THE SUBSTANTIAL FORM OF BONDS; SETTING FORTH THE STATED PRINCIPAL MATURITY AMOUNTS AND DATES, INTEREST RATES AND INTEREST PAYMENT DATES, PLACE OF PAYMENT, SINKING FUND PROVISIONS AND OTHER DETAILS OF THE BONDS; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A PAYING AGENT AGREEMENT AND A CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT; FINDING THAT A PRIVATE INVITED SALE OF THE BONDS IS IN THE BEST FINANCIAL INTEREST OF THE TOWNSHIP AND ACCEPTING A PROPOSAL FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE BONDS; APPOINTING A PAYING AGENT AND SINKING FUND DEPOSITORY; AND AUTHORIZING OTHER NECESSARY ACTION.

Gordon Walker, Financial Advisor and Dave Unkovic, Esquire, Bond Counsel, were present to review the day's events and to explain the actual Ordinance.

Mr. Walker stated that Moody's gave the Township a AA2 rating (which is very good). Three Township bonds are being refinanced and one is to borrow new money; all of which are at a lower rate. The bidder auction was held with 7 bidders and 55 bids submitted. Roosevelt & Cross came in at 3.7% at the end of the auction.

Mr. Unkovic clarified the Ordinance and indicated that by voting tonight the Board is accepting the Bond purchase, authorizing the issuance of debt and pledging the full faith, credit and taxing power of the Township for the Bonds.

Roll Called.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, Connell, D'Emilio and Wechsler.

8. Approval of Warrants

Motion made by Commissioner McGarrity and seconded by Commissioner Trumbull to approve the following warrants:

G.F. & S.F. P/R Warrant No. 507	in the amount of	\$ 548,711.09
G. F. Bus. Warrant No. 808	in the amount of	\$2,664,075.42
G.F & S.F. P/R Warrant No. 508	in the amount of	\$ 539,547.49
S.F. Bus. Warrant No. 807	in the amount of	\$ 190,670.84
Comm Dev. Warrant No. 810	in the amount of	\$ 33,734.96
Real Estate No. 510	in the amount of	\$ 62,829.27
Access Equipment No. 510	in the amount of	\$ 720.00

Roll Called.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, Connell, D'Emilio and Wechsler.

9. Ordinance No. P6-2010 Traffic (2nd Reading)

Motion made by Commissioner Oliva and seconded by Commissioner McGarrity to adopt the second reading of Ordinance No. P6-2010 authorizing traffic restrictions on public highways:

Special Purpose Parking Zones:

Establish:

In front of 602 Country Club Lane

In front of 519 Woodland Drive

Removal:

In front of 30 Fulmer Avenue

Roll Called.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, Connell, D'Emilio and Wechsler.

10. Ordinance No. P7-2010

Traffic (1st Reading)

Motion made by Commissioner Trumbull and seconded by Commissioner Oliva to adopt the first reading of Ordinance No. P7-2010 authorizing traffic restrictions on the highways:

establish/remove “SPECIAL PURPOSE PARKING ZONES”:

Remove - In front of the property at 1614 Lynnewood Road

Establish – In front of 643 Georges Lane

- In front of 1610 Lynnewood Drive

establish: “PARKING TIME LIMITED”:

On the west side of Grasslyn Avenue, from West Eagle Road 290 feet in a northerly direction towards W. Hillcrest Avenue and will restrict parking to 1 hour only.

Roll Called.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, Connell, D’Emilio and Wechsler.

12. Resolution No. 1759-2010

Designation of Agent - PEMA Grant

Motion made by Commissioner Holmes and seconded by Commissioner D’Emilio to adopt Resolution No. 1759-2010 designating Lawrence J. Gentile, Township Manager, to file any and all documents pertaining to reimbursement of money used during the February 2010 snowstorm.

Roll Called.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, Connell, D’Emilio and Wechsler.

13. Resolution No. 1760-2010

Announcement of Public Hearing

Motion made by Commissioner Holmes and seconded by Commissioner McGarrity to adopt Resolution No. 1760-2010 announcing consecutive public hearings to be held on Monday, July 6, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. in the Commissioners Meeting Room, Ernest J. Quatrani Building, 2325 Darby Road, Havertown, PA, for the purpose of proposed amendment to the use provisions at §182-503B of the General Laws of the Township and a zoning map

amendment to reclassify the district of the PECo parcel on Eagle Road adjoining the former gum factory property at 891 North Eagle Road, and known as Delaware County Folio No. 22-03-01872-00 and Delaware County Tax Map Parcel No. 22-26-038:000, to include the property in the same LIN District as the gum factory.

Roll Called.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, Connell, D'Emilio and Wechsler.

Voting No: Commissioner McGarrity

14. Resolution No. 1761-2010 Revised Comprehensive Fee Schedule

Motion made by Commissioner Oliva and seconded by Commissioner Trumbull to adopt Resolution No. 1761-2010 by revising the Comprehensive Fee Schedule for the convenience and ease of the general public in determining Township fees for the cost of said services.

Roll Called.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, Connell, D'Emilio and Wechsler.

Commissioner McGarrity was absent from vote.

15. AQUA Relief

Motion: To approve AQUA Pennsylvania's Relief Request from the required Permit Fees for larger projects.

Roll Called to remove this item from the Agenda due to Resolution No. 1761-2010 being adopted.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, Connell, D'Emilio and Wechsler.

16. NextG Waiver

Motion made by Commissioner Heilmann and seconded by Commissioner Siegel to approve NextG's request for a waiver.

Commissioner Holmes moved to TABLE this motion which was seconded by Commissioner Oliva until locations are worked out. The way the current Ordinance reads, everything is to be installed underground. NextG wants to install on poles. These are residential areas.

Roll Called.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, Connell, D'Emilio and Wechsler.

17. Act 511 Appeals – Hearing Officer Appointment

Motion made by Commissioner Holmes and seconded by Commissioner Oliva to appoint Kathleen M. Thomas, Esquire, of Jenkins, Siegiej & Smith, as Haverford Township's Act 511 Appeals Hearing Officer.

Roll Called.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, Connell, D'Emilio and Wechsler.

18. Contract Awards/Purchases

Public Works Department

Motion made by Commissioner D'Emilio and seconded by Commissioner Connell to purchase one 2011 International 7300 4 x 2 Cab and Chassis, from G L Sayre International, Conshohocken, PA, under Co Stars Contract, in the amount of \$72,839.99.

Roll Called.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, Connell, D'Emilio and Wechsler.

Motion made by Commissioner D'Emilio and seconded by Commissioner Oliva to purchase one 2010 Leach 20 Yard Alpha III Trash Compactor, from Grand Turk Equipment Co., Inc., Bridgeport, PA, under Co Stars Contract, in the amount of \$63,535.77 and

to utilize the Township's Municipal Recycling Award to purchase one Vermeer/Wildcat 516 Cougar Trommel Compost Screening Machine, from Vermeer North Atlantic Sales & Service, under Pa Co-Stars Contract, in the amount of \$162,650.00.

Roll Called.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, Connell, D'Emilio and Wechsler.

19. Continuation of Citizens Forum - Non-Agenda Items

Mr. Houseworth thinks there is no need for extra space for the Police Department and Administration building. He also wants to know why the Township can't purchase equipment from other companies.

Anne Phillips, Freedom Playground Coordinator, thanked everyone that volunteered during build week. It was a valuable experience. 95% is completed. They are still fundraising. \$95,000 is still needed.

20. New Business

Mr. D'Emilio made a motion to notify RHM Sewer Authority that the Township is revoking the prior authority provided to RHM to pursue a height variance for a storage tank on Township ground at Glendale Road and Raymond Drive (which authority was given in anticipation of leasing the Township ground to RHM). Commissioner Oliva seconded the motion.

Roll Called.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, Connell, D'Emilio and Wechsler.

Due to the Township not having a full fledged Road Program this year (only minimal work to be done), the Township joined Springfield Township and Swarthmore Borough in their bid/contract process,

Motion made by Commissioner D'Emilio and seconded by Commissioner Oliva to accept and award Joseph E. Sucher & Sons, Eddystone, PA, bid of \$2,812.00 (Haverford's portion) for

road milling and to accept and award Joseph E. Sucher & Sons, Eddystone, PA, bid of \$29,475.00 (Haverford's portion) for road overlay.

Geo Thermal and Solar Panels

Discussion began by Commissioner D'Emilio. Mr. Denny announced that Mr. Kimmel's design (if the Board does decide to go geo thermal - no extra charge for the design). For him to make a design without alternative energy sources- the cost would be an extra \$4,000.00. Therefore, the Board would have two designs to choose from.

Mr. Denny announced that a matching grant to help with Geo Thermal is due June 15th. Also, a Letter of Commitment by the Board to match funds needs to be attached to the grant.

Mr. Denny is to confirm a timetable with Martin Kimmel.

Mr. Gentile stated that he will put the Geo Thermal topic on the Work Session Agenda.

21. Other Business

Mario Oliva – 2nd Ward Commissioner

Commissioner Oliva indicated that Llanerch Crossing was recognized by the Heritage Commission.

Commissioner Oliva stated that the week at Freedom Playground was a wonderful experience and encouraged everyone to go and look at it and donate if you choose to. It is a worthy project.

Rob Trumbull – 3rd Ward Commissioner – nothing to report.

Dan Siegel – 4th Ward Commissioner – nothing to report.

Jeff Heilmann – 5th Ward Commissioner – nothing to report.

Steve D'Emilio – 1st Ward Commissioner

Commissioner D'Emilio thanked everyone that participated in the building of Freedom Playground. It was very organized.

Larry Holmes – 6th Ward Commissioner

Commissioner Holmes also extended congratulations on the building of the playground. On May 23rd, Chestnutwold PTO will have their Chestnutwold Chase.

Commissioner Holmes encouraged everyone to come out and vote on Tuesday, May 18th.

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Jim McGarrity – 7th Ward Commissioner

Commissioner McGarrity announced the Memorial Day Remembrance to be held on May 31, 2010 - 11 am - at the Police Circle.

He asked that when AQUA is doing projects throughout the Township - at the end of the day - they place a tarp on stone and dirt in case of high winds.

The Kevin Cain Run was a total success. Mr. McGarrity thanked everyone involved including Annunciation for the use of the hall and to Temple Lutheran Church, one of the major sponsors.

Red White and Blue day mass will be at Annunciation. Mass will be held at 11 am.

Commissioner McGarrity wished John Centrella best wishes and he thanked Mr. Houseworth for sending get well cards to his wife, Fran.

June 12th from 10-2 is the Touch a Truck fundraiser for Freedom Playground. This will take place at the Bubble Gum Factory.

Chris Connell – 8th Ward Commissioner

Commissioner Connell announced June 6th is the Haverford Township Heritage Festival – 11 to 4 p.m.

The Grange will hold their annual Savor the Flavor on June 10th from 6 – 9 p.m. The cost is \$25.00

Please do not put Grass Clippings in yard waste. They can go in the trash.

Commissioner Connell thanked Mr. Pratt for his words.

William F. Wechsler – 9th Ward Commissioner

Commissioner Wechsler announced that June 5 – 6th is the Relay for Life at Haverford Reserve.

Commissioner Wechsler thanked the 9th Ward residents for coming out to his meeting.

22. Adjournment

