

EXECUTIVE SESSION – 6:00 PM

MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING
Board of Commissioners
Commissioners Meeting Room**

**July 10, 2017
Monday, 7:00 p.m.
Township of Haverford**

1. **Opening of Meeting** – Chris Connell, Sr., President, opened the meeting and indicated that the Board met in Executive Session prior to the meeting to discuss Real Estate and legal matters.
 - a. **Roll Call** – All 9 Commissioners were present at roll call: Commissioners D’Emilio, McCloskey, Siegel, Lewis, Holmes, McGarrity, Wechsler, Oliva and Connell.

Also present were: Lawrence J. Gentile, Township Manager, Gary Zlotnick, CPA, Esquire, Township Auditor, James J. Byrne, Jr., Esquire, Township Solicitor, Lori Hanlon Widdop and Tim Denny, Assistant Township Managers, Chief John Viola, Aimee Cuthbertson, Finance Director and Dave Pennoni, Township Engineer.

- b. **Opening Prayer** led by Rev. Johanson
- c. **Pledge of Allegiance**

2. **Proclamation**: 2nd Lieutenant Lauren Ellis Casulli, USAF

Commissioners Holmes, D’Emilio and McCloskey presented 2d Lieutenant Lauren Ellis Casulli, USAF a proclamation congratulating her upon her graduation from the Air Force Academy.

3. a. **Construction Manager Update**

Ms. Widdop filled in for the construction manager. There are 14 weeks left of construction. Over 50% of the budget has been spent so far and the Police Department (estimation) will occupy mid-September.

b. EAC update presentation

Pete Puglione of the EAC spoke on Climate Control and indicated that the township is meeting their goals and an update is indicated. The EAC is requesting to evaluate buildings, vehicles and street lights and to look into electric police vehicles. They are in favor of passing the Climate Control Resolution to Congress.

4. Township Auditor Update

Mr. Zlotnick reviewed the disbursements for the period June 13, 2017 through July 10th. Mr. Zlotnick raised seven questions. His questions were answered to his satisfaction.

5. Police Department – Crime Update

Chief John Viola provided his crime report for the month of June: citations, warning, burglaries and attempted thefts from vehicles. K9 usage was 12 times.

6. Any Commissioners' Committee Updates:

Discussion: Proposed Process for Applicants Seeking Appointment to Haverford Township Boards and Commissioners - by Commissioner Siegel.

Lengthy discussion began on this topic including: formalizing the process in resolution form, timeline for submissions, interviews and a statement indicating that applicants need "good cause" for not appearing for interview.

Commissioner Siegel will put this process in Resolution form, it will be discussed at the August Work Session and voted on during the Regular Meeting of the Board.

Tim Denny: Dogs in Parks Update – postponed until next month.

Health Department: Backyard Hens – postponed until next month.

Climate Control Updates – EAC spoke on this topic.

7. Citizens Forum – 20 Minutes Registered Speakers/20 Minutes Agenda Items

Commissioner Jan Marie Rushforth – 3700 Darby Road – Climate Control (see attached)

Knoll Smith – 1828 Rose Tree Lane – Climate Control – Supporter

Alan Rushforth – 3700 Darby Road – Climate Control – Supporter

Jean Lutz – 169 Clemson – Climate Control – Supporter (see attached)

END OF REGISTERED SPEAKERS

OPEN FORUM

Jean Angell – 25 Tenby Road – Member of HPED

She supports the Multi-modal grant. If approved, this project will begin at the Brick & Brew and go down to the paint store.

Steve Fisher – 827 Cricket Avenue – Supports the EAC and solar energy for the township building.

END OF OPEN FORUM

Commissioner Connell stated that the board is very committed to Climate Control.

Commissioner Oliva spoke highly of Jan Marie Rushforth.

He thanked the HPED for all their help in beautifying the township. These projects have made a huge difference.

All Commissioners provided their own personal opinions on Jan Marie Rushforth:

“Everything she does is with grace”

“A fighter to the end”

“A true lady”

“A perfect lady and a dynamo”

“Passionate and committed”

“No animosity in her”

***Motion made by Commissioner Holmes and seconded by Commissioner D’Emilio to move New Business to Item #8 on the agenda tonight. All Commissioners agreed.**

Motion made by Commissioner Lewis and seconded by Commissioner Oliva to adopt Resolution No. 2063-2017 calling on United State Congress to address Climate Change.

Discussion began.

Motion was amended by Commissioner Holmes and seconded by Commissioner Lewis to read:

Calling on President Donald J. Trump, United States Congress, Governor Tom Wolf and the Pennsylvania General Assembly to Address Climate Change.

WHEREAS, the climate crisis is real;

WHEREAS, people caused it.

Now, therefore, be it here resolved, that the Board of Commissioners of Haverford Township call on the President of the United States, the United States Congress, the Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the Pennsylvania General Assembly to take action now.

All Commissioners voted Yes: Commissioners D'Emilio, McCloskey, Siegel, Lewis, Holmes, McGarrity, Wechsler, Oliva and Connell.

The Board took a 2 minute recess.

9. Approval of Minutes

Regular Meeting Minutes of June 12, 2017

Motion made by Commissioner D'Emilio and seconded by Commissioner Oliva to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of June 12, 2017.

Roll called.

8 Commissioners Voted Yes: Commissioners D'Emilio, McCloskey, Siegel, Lewis, Holmes, Wechsler, Oliva and Connell.

Commissioner McGarrity abstained.

10. Approval of Warrants

Motion made by Commissioner Holmes and seconded by Commissioner Siegel to approve the following warrant #7-2017 totaling \$4,431,635.38

General & Sewer fund Payroll for June 15, 2017 in the amount of \$662,105.91

General & Sewer fund Payroll for June 29, 2017 in the amount of \$611,594.02

General Fund disbursements #7-2017 in the amount of \$1,504,475.91

Sewer Fund disbursements #7-2017 in the amount of \$40,810.22

**Community Development Block Grant Fund disbursement #7-2017
in the amount of \$89,777.48**

Capital Projects Fund disbursement #7-2017 in the amount of \$1,513,299.59

Credit Card Statement ending June 29, 2017 in the amount of \$9,572.25

Roll Called.

All 9 Commissioners voted Yes: Commissioners D'Emilio, McCloskey, Siegel, Lewis, Holmes, McGarrity, Wechsler, Oliva and Connell.

11. Ordinance No. P9-2017 Revising the Capital Projects to be funded with proceeds from the 2014 General Obligation Bond Issue (2nd Reading)

Motion made by Commissioner Holmes and seconded by Commissioner Wechsler to adopt the second reading of Ordinance No. P9-2017 AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2735-2014 ENACTED NOVEMBER 10, 2014 TO REVISE THE CAPITAL PROJECTS TO BE FINANCED WITH PROCEEDS OF THE TOWNSHIP'S GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2014.

Roll Called.

All 9 Commissioners voted Yes: Commissioners D'Emilio, McCloskey, Siegel, Lewis, Holmes, McGarrity, Wechsler, Oliva and Connell.

12. Ordinance No. P10-2017 Traffic (2nd Reading)

Motion made by Commissioner McCloskey and seconded by Commissioner D'Emilio to adopt the second reading of Ordinance No. P10-2017 authorizing traffic restrictions on the following highways:

Rescind § 175-91 Schedule XVI: Parking of All Vehicles Prohibited at All Times, on Hirst Terrace, east side, between the driveways leading to 34 East Eagle Road, approximately 118 feet north of East Eagle Road and add § 175-94 Schedule XIX: Parking Time Limited, on Hirst Terrace, east side, Anytime, 2 hours, 140 feet north of E. Eagle Road.

Removal of Special Purposes Parking Zones

In front of 178 Juniper Road and on Foster Avenue on the side of 178 Juniper Road

Establish:

"15 Minute Parking Only" in front of 1014 Darby Road

Roll Called.

All 9 Commissioners voted Yes: Commissioners D'Emilio, McCloskey, Siegel, Lewis, Holmes, McGarrity, Wechsler, Oliva and Connell.

13. Ordinance No. P11-2017

Traffic (1st Reading)

Motion made by Commissioner Oliva and seconded by Commissioner McGarrity to adopt the first reading of Ordinance No. P11-2017 authorizing traffic restrictions on the following highways:

Establish

SPECIAL PURPOSE PARKING ZONE:

In front of 733 Hathaway Lane, Ardmore, PA

In front of 2634 Chestnut Avenue, Ardmore, PA

Rescind

§ 175-93 Schedule XVIII: Parking Prohibited During Certain Hours, on Llanerch Avenue, 8:00 PM to 6:00 AM, "Between Signs" at Mercer Avenue in front of 33 Fulmer Avenue.

Amendment to

§ 175-91 Schedule XVI: Parking of Vehicles Prohibited at All Times, on Llanerch Avenue which currently restricts parking on the west side from Fulmer Avenue to Mercer Avenue. If the ordinance is approved, it would be amended to restrict parking on the west side from Rodman Avenue to W. Mercer Avenue.

Roll Called.

All 9 Commissioners voted Yes: Commissioners D'Emilio, McCloskey, Siegel, Lewis, Holmes, McGarrity, Wechsler, Oliva and Connell.

14. Resolution No. 2057-2017

Haverford Township Day

Motion made by Commissioner McGarrity and seconded by Commissioner Oliva to adopt Resolution No. 2057-2017 that the Board of Commissioners designate Haverford Police Department's – Chief, John Viola, to execute any and all documents with PaDot and be

responsible for the safety and welfare of residents utilizing State Highways on Haverford Township Day, Saturday, October 7, 2017.

Roll Called.

All 9 Commissioners voted Yes: Commissioners D'Emilio, McCloskey, Siegel, Lewis, Holmes, McGarrity, Wechsler, Oliva and Connell.

15. Resolution No. 2059-2017

Community Development Program Allocations

Motion made by Commissioner Wechsler and seconded by Commissioner Oliva to adopt Resolution No. 2059-2017 that the Allocations of funds for the 43rd year Community Development Program and the 2017-2018 Action Plan are hereby approved; and that no changes are made to the Citizen Participation Plan and that the proper officers are hereby authorized to take such steps as may be necessary to implement the intent of this Resolution.

Roll Called.

All 9 Commissioners voted Yes: Commissioners D'Emilio, McCloskey, Siegel, Lewis, Holmes, McGarrity, Wechsler, Oliva and Connell.

16. Resolution No. 2060-2017

Community Development Program Fair Housing

Motion made by Commissioner McCloskey and seconded by Commissioner D'Emilio to adopt Resolution No. 2060-2017 that Haverford Township has taken positive steps to comply with the spirit and letter of the law, through its operation and support of various fair housing programs and that all employees and officers are directed to continue to promulgate fair housing objectives and continue to assist all persons who may fall within the scope of the Fair Housing Act.

Roll Called.

All 9 Commissioners voted Yes: Commissioners D'Emilio, McCloskey, Siegel, Lewis, Holmes, McGarrity, Wechsler, Oliva and Connell.

17. Resolution No. 2061-2017 Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant Request

Motion made by Commissioner Oliva and seconded by Commissioner Lewis to adopt Resolution No. 2061-2017 authorizing application to DCED for a Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant for improvements on the west side of Darby Road from West Benedict to Bellemeade Avenue. The total cost for this project would be approximately \$585,000. The township would be responsible for approximately \$175,000 (30% match).

Roll Called.

All 9 Commissioners voted Yes: Commissioners D'Emilio, McCloskey, Siegel, Lewis, Holmes, McGarrity, Wechsler, Oliva and Connell.

18. Resolution No. 2062-2017 ARLE Grant Authorization

Motion made by Commissioner McGarrity and seconded by Commissioner D'Emilio to adopt Resolution No. 2062-2017 authorizing the Township Manager to sign the Automated Red Light Enforcement Program Project Funding Agreement on its behalf.

Roll Called.

All 9 Commissioners voted Yes: Commissioners D'Emilio, McCloskey, Siegel, Lewis, Holmes, McGarrity, Wechsler, Oliva and Connell.

19. Contract Award

Police Station – Abatement of Asbestos

Motion made by Commissioner McGarrity and seconded by Commissioner Wechsler to award the Abatement of Asbestos Containing Hazardous Waste Materials to Plymouth

Environmental Co., Inc, Norristown, PA, in the amount of \$44,800.00; submitting the lowest responsible bid.

Roll Called.

All 9 Commissioners voted Yes: Commissioners D'Emilio, McCloskey, Siegel, Lewis, Holmes, McGarrity, Wechsler, Oliva and Connell.

20. Continuation of Citizen's Forum for Non-Agenda Items

No one spoke.

21. New business.

Commissioners Lewis asked to add the purchase of three pieces of playground equipment for the Polo Field which was seconded by Commissioner McGarrity to the agenda. All Commissioners agreed.

Motion made by Commissioner Lewis and seconded by Commissioner McGarrity to purchase three pieces of playground equipment from Recreation Resource USA, Kenneth Square, PA, under co-stars contract, in the amount of \$36,638.75. (see attachment for quote)

Roll Called.

All 9 Commissioners voted Yes: Commissioners D'Emilio, McCloskey, Siegel, Lewis, Holmes, McGarrity, Wechsler, Oliva and Connell.

22. Other business

Steve D'Emilio – 1st Ward Commissioner

Commissioner D'Emilio will host his constituent meeting on September 20th at 7:00 p.m. at the Manoa Fire House. HADA will be present.

National Night Out will be August 1st from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Quarry Shopping Center.

Kevin McCloskey, Esquire – 3rd Ward Commissioner

Commissioner McCloskey thanked all the Civic Associations and the volunteer fire companies for the July 4th festivities.

Commissioner McCloskey stated that we take Climate Control very seriously and we will continue to work with EAC.

Dan Siegel, Esquire – 4th Ward Commissioner

Commissioner Siegel echoes Commissioner McCloskey on Climate Control.

This Wednesday will be the 2nd of 5 concerts beginning at 6 p.m. at Paddock Park.

Commissioner Siegel stated that we are a community of communities and to please support your civic associations. Lynnwood and Paddock 4th of July festivities were very successful.

Andy Lewis – 5th Ward Commissioner

Commissioner Lewis also provided his sentiments towards Jan Marie Rushforth; especially with the Haverford State Hospital property. She kept going forward.

In regards to the College Avenue Bridge reconstruction, Commissioner Lewis indicated that there are still easement issues that the utility companies are working on.

Larry Holmes, Esquire – 6th Ward Commissioner

Commissioner Holmes was pleased to announce that the temporary relocation of the Summer YMCA program at Chestnutwold School is running smooth.

He thanked SABA for another successful 4th of July.

Jim McGarrity – 7th Ward Commissioner

Commissioner McGarrity thanked all the non-food businesses that came together to help with the food establishments in putting together Moonlight Dining on the Boulevard.

Commissioner McGarrity thanked the Penfield Civic Association for putting together a wonderful 4th of July event at the Grange. He also thanked the Brookline Fire Company. This was their 73rd year of participation.

William F. Wechsler – 9th Ward Commissioner

The Township Line road project has begun – beginning from Drexel Line to Harding. There will be a fifth lane. Work should be done by September.

Commissioner Wechsler thanked the Bon Air and Manoa Fire Company for their participation in this year's 4th of July festivities.

Commissioner Wechsler indicated that he served with Jan Marie on the Citizen's Advisory Council and offered his thanks for her.

Mario A. Oliva – 2nd Ward Commissioner

Commissioner Oliva also spoke on Climate Control and the planting of rain gardens to control storm water.

He thanked Tom Kelly for organizing the recent Irish Festival.

Commissioner Oliva also spoke on Moonlight Dining on the Boulevard.

He thanked the Manoa and Llanerch Civic Associations for their 4th of July festivities.

He also recognized the 1st graders at Sacred Heart School for sending him a thank you letter for teaching them how government works.

Chris Connell, Sr. – 8th Ward Commissioner

Commissioner Connell indicated that this is vacation time for many. Please let your neighbors be aware that no one is home to keep a check on your home. You can also contact the Police Department and they will do a drive by.

He thanked the Penfield Civic Association for putting together the 4th of July festivities.

He also acknowledged Mr. Cleary's 3rd grade class. He and other township officials were present to teach them about the township.

23. All Commissioners agreed to adjourn.