

FINAL BUDGET / REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

EXECUTIVE SESSION: 6:30 p.m. – REAL ESTATE MATTER

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

**December 10, 2018
Monday, 7:00 p.m.
Township of Haverford**

1. Opening of Meeting – William F. Wechsler opened the meeting and indicated that the Board met in Executive Session prior to the meeting to discuss a real estate matter.

a. Roll Call – All 9 Commissioners were present at roll call: Commissioners D’Emilio, Oliva, McCloskey, Siegel, Lewis, McGarrity, Hart, Holmes and Wechsler.

Also present were: Lawrence J. Gentile, Township Manager, Ross Anderson, CPA, Township Auditor, James J. Byrne, Jr., Esquire, Township Solicitor, Tim Denny and Aimee Cuthbertson, CPA, Assistant Township Managers, Chief John Viola, Kelly Kirk and Dave Pennoni, Township Engineer.

b. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Proclamation: Off-Duty Upper Darby Police Officer Michael DeHoratius

Michael DeHoratius received a proclamation for his heroics in saving two lives at a recent home fire on Larchmont Avenue; with the help of Mr. Ryan Stump a neighbor.

Ryan Stump – postponed to January

3. “Presentation of Rebate Check from PECO for Phase 2 and 3 LED Streetlight Program”

Steve Clark, PECO representative, presented a check to the township for the township’s commitment to replace street lighting under the LED Streetlight Program.

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

No one spoke.

5. Budget Hearing and Adoption

A. Review any changes to 2019 Preliminary Budget

Motion made by Commissioner Holmes and seconded by Commissioner Siegel to accept any changes to the 2019 Preliminary Budget.

Commissioner Holmes announced there were a couple changes to the preliminary budget:

OVERVIEW:

**2.15% REAL ESTATE TAX INCREASE FROM 8.185 TO 8.361 MILLS
MEDIAN PROPERTY ASSESSMENT (\$145,000) TAX BILL WOULD GO FROM \$1,187
TO \$1,212 OR AN INCREASE OF \$25 PER YEAR
AVERAGE PROPERTY ASSESSMENT (\$175,000) TAX BILL WOULD GO FROM \$1,432
TO \$1,463 OR AN INCREASE OF \$31 PER YEAR
DECREASE IN SEWER RATE - TO \$4.40/1,000g
INCREASE IN TRASH FEE - \$30 TO \$227 PER RESIDENTIAL UNIT**

<i>GENERAL FUND:</i>	FINAL	PRELIMINARY	CHANGE
Total Revenues	\$ 44,919,379	\$ 44,872,379	\$ 47,000 (B)
Total Expenditures	\$ 44,919,379	\$ 44,872,379	\$ 47,000 (B)
<i>SEWER FUND:</i>	FINAL	PRELIMINARY	CHANGE
Total Revenues	\$ 4,597,963	\$ 4,845,909	\$ (247,946) (A)
Total Expenses	\$ 4,597,963	\$ 4,845,909	\$ (247,946) (A)
<i>CAPITAL FUND:</i>	FINAL	PRELIMINARY	CHANGE
Total Revenues	\$ 18,854,480	\$ 18,836,795	\$ 17,685 (C)
Total Expenditures	\$ 18,854,480	\$ 18,836,795	\$ 17,685 (C)

(A) Aqua flows came in higher than projected and RHM budget came in lower than projected in the preliminary budget. We also moved two employees to the general fund which was more appropriate accounting-wise. With these changes, we were able to reduce rate by \$.30/1,000g (average of \$16 per year per payor)

(B) increased allocation for HPED (\$25K) and purchase of used electric vehicle (\$12K) for parking enforcement; community shredding events (\$10K) funded by additional revenues from investment earnings

(C) added funding for ECV Charging Stations, change out of all ceiling lights at Skatium to LED, 'starter' allocation for facility energy efficiency study with applicable grants and PECO rebates

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Roll Called.

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

B. Ordinance No. P23 – 2018 Sewer Rental Charge (final reading)

Motion made by Commissioner Holmes and seconded by Commissioner Siegel to adopt the final reading of Ordinance No. P23 – 2018 authorizing the imposition of an annual sewer rate in the amount of \$4.40 per 1,000 gallons of water consumed.

Roll Called.

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

C. Ordinance No. P24 – 2018 Trash Fee (final reading)

Motion made by Commissioner Holmes and seconded by Commissioner Oliva to adopt the final reading of Ordinance No. P24 – 2018 establishing the annual trash fee at \$227.00.

Roll Called.

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

D. Ordinance No. 2856 – 2018 Tax Levy (first reading is a final reading)

Motion made by Commissioner Holmes and seconded by Commissioner Siegel to adopt Ordinance No. 2856 – 2018 fixing the tax rate for the year 2019 at 8.361 mills.

Roll Called.

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

E. Ordinance No. 2857 – 2018 Budget Appropriations (first reading is a final Reading)

Motion made by Commissioner Holmes and seconded by Commissioner Oliva to adopt Ordinance No. 2857 – 2018 appropriating funds established to be required for specific purpose of financing the municipal government for the year 2019 including all taxes, fees, service charges and other revenue sources provided within all funds.

Roll Called.

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

END OF BUDGET PORTION

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

6. Commissioner Committee Updates

No updates this month.

7. Township Auditor Update

Mr. Anderson reviewed the disbursements and expenses and found no irregularities. He also reviewed the 2019 budget and found no discrepancies.

**8. Approval of Minutes Regular Meeting Minutes of November 13, 2018
Preliminary Budget Meeting Minutes of November 19, 2018**

Motion made by Commissioner D’Emilio and seconded by Commissioner Oliva to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of November 13, 2018 and the Preliminary Budget Meeting Minutes of November 19, 2018

Roll Called.

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

9. Approval of Warrants

Motion made by Commissioner Holmes and seconded by Commissioner Oliva to approve the following warrant #12-2018 totaling \$7,066,020.93

General & Sewer fund Payroll for November 15, 2018 in the amount of \$647,821.46

General & Sewer fund Payroll for November 29, 2018 in the amount of \$646,936.06

General Fund disbursements #12-2018 in the amount of \$5,384,239.53

Sewer Fund disbursements #12-2018 in the amount of \$124,991.33

Community Development Block Grant Fund disbursement #12-2018

in the amount of \$85,842.83

Capital Projects Fund disbursement #12-2018 in the amount of \$169,076.88

Credit Card Statement ending November 27, 2018 in the amount of \$7,112.84

Roll Called.

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

10. Ordinance No. P22-2018 Amend Zoning Chapter/599 Glendale Road (1st Reading)

Motion made by Commissioner Holmes and seconded by Commissioner D'Emilio to adopt the first reading of Ordinance No. P22-2018 AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE GENERAL LAWS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HAVERFORD, CHAPTER 182, "ZONING" BY RECLASSIFYING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF A PORTION OF THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS DELAWARE COUNTY FOLIO NO. 22-09-00094-00, 599 GLENDALE ROAD, FROM ROS- OUTDOOR RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT TO R-4- LOW TO MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT.

Roll Called.

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

11. Ordinance No. P25-2018

Traffic (1st Reading)

Motion made by Commissioner Hart and seconded by Commissioner McGarrity to adopt the first reading of Ordinance No. P25-2018 authorizing traffic restrictions on the following highways:

Sticker Parking Only

Hampstead Road, Both Sides, 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM, Monday through Friday

Discussion began regarding sticker parking, parking on neighborhood streets surrounding the P & W and safety issues.

The Board decided that the establishment of a sub-committee needs to find solutions and to also include SEPTA.

Roll Called.

5 Commissioners voted No: Commissioners McCloskey, Siegel, Lewis, Holmes and Wechsler.

4 Commissioners voted Yes: Commissioners D'Emilio, Oliva, McGarrity and Hart.

Motion failed.

12. Ordinance No. P26-2018

Traffic (1st Reading)

Motion made by Commissioner Hart and seconded by Commissioner D'Emilio to adopt the first reading of Ordinance No. P26-2018 authorizing traffic restrictions on the following highways:

Parking of All Vehicles Prohibited at All Times

Stanton Road, East Side, from Brierwood Road to a point 90 feet north thereof.

Roll Called.

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

12. Resolution No. 2107 – 2018

2019 Meeting Dates

Motion made by Commissioner Siegel and seconded by Commissioner McGarrity to adopt Resolution No. 2107 -2018 approving the 2019 Board of Commissioners, Boards and Commissions Meeting Dates.

Roll Called.

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

13. Resolution No. 2109-2018

County Aid Application – HOME Program

Motion made by Commissioner Siegel and seconded by Commissioner McGarrity to adopt Resolution No. 2109-2018 that the Township of Haverford will submit an application to Delaware County for funding in the amount of \$50,000.00.

Roll Called.

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

14. Resolution No. 2111-2018

County Aid Application – 2019 Road Program

Motion made by Commissioner McGarrity and seconded by Commissioner Oliva to adopt Resolution No. 2111-2018 authorizing the Township Manager to file application with the County for the township’s 2019 Road Program in the amount of \$66,960.00.

Roll Called.

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

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

The following residents all reside on Hampstead Road and all indicated that something needs to be done. Safety issues and SUV's are clogging their street:

**Nancy Strong – 1007 Hampstead Road
Lou Moresca – 1008 Hampstead Road
Matt Evans – 1002 Hampstead Road**

Chief Viola and Township Engineer were assigned the task to review the areas.

16. New business

No new business.

17. Other business

Steve D'Emilio – 1st Ward Commissioner

Commissioner D'Emilio thanked West Gate Civic Association for organizing Santa Sunday.

He wished everyone a Happy Holiday.

Mario A. Oliva – 2nd Ward Commissioner

Commissioner Oliva had no 2nd Ward news this month but wished everyone a Happy Holiday.

Kevin McCloskey, Esquire – 3rd Ward Commissioner

Oakmont Fire Company will be hosting Santa Sunday this Sunday

Merion Golf Manor will have their 1st Annual Holiday Stroll.

He, too, wished everyone a Happy Holiday.

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Dan Siegel, Esquire – 4th Ward Commissioner

Marilyn Park will be holding their annual Holiday Social.

Commissioner Siegel thanked the Board for adding money to the budget for shredding events.

Commissioner Siegel wished everyone a Happy Holiday.

Larry Holmes, Esquire – 6th Ward Commissioner

Commissioner Holmes thanked everyone involved in the budget process.

Commissioner Holmes also wished everyone a Happy Holiday.

Andy Lewis – 5th Ward Commissioner

Commissioner Lewis thanked Larry Gentile and the Public Works Department for the recent leaf collection pick up. It is definitely a difficult process.

Next Monday, the 5th Ward will have their last sweep of leaves.

Commissioner Lewis also wished everyone a Happy Holiday.

Jim McGarrity – 7th Ward Commissioner

This Friday, Santa will be at the Brookline Fire House beginning at 6:00 p.m. for the Annual Toys for Tots pickup and tree lighting.

Brookline Fire Company will have their Santa Sunday beginning at 12 noon.

The 19th and 20th, the Commissioners will be having lunch for the Public Works Department on the 19th and township building staff on the 20th. The Commissioners pay for this with their own money.

The party at the Grange was a success. The Grange is open from 10 to 4 for the train display.

Dr. Gerry Hart – 8th Ward Commissioner

To the residents on Hampstead Road, Commissioner Hart will work on a solution. This has been a long standing problem.

Commissioner Hart stated that he didn't always agree with former President George H. W. Bush but he was a true patriot.

In regards to renewable energy, we are taking the right steps and remain committed. The EAC recently hosted a climate expo at Haverford College. The video is on the EAC website.

Commissioner Hart wished everyone a joyous and Happy Holiday.

William F. Wechsler – 9th Ward Commissioner

Commissioner Wechsler thanked Larry Gentile and staff for putting the 2019 budget together. This is Larry's last budget. He will be retiring next year.

Commissioner Wechsler thanked Commissioner & Mrs. McGarrity for taking the lead in organizing the employee luncheons.

He will also take the lead on the parking situation.

Commissioner Wechsler wished everyone a Happy Holiday.

REORGANIZATION MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MONDAY, JANUARY 7, 2019 – 7:30 PM

BEST WISHES IN THE NEW YEAR!

18. All Commissioners agreed to adjourn.