

EAST PENNSBORO TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
DECEMBER 16, 2015

Regular Meeting

7:30 p.m.

The Regular Meeting of the East Pennsboro Township Board of Commissioners was held on Wednesday, December 16, 2015, at 7:30 p.m. at the Community and Municipal Center, 98 S. Enola Drive, Enola, Pennsylvania.

Those present were: Commissioners - John Kuntzelman, President; Paul Hartman, Vice President; Kristy Magaro, Charles Gelb, and George Tyson; John Pietropaoli, Township Manager; Henry F. Coyne, Esquire, Township Solicitor; John B. Owen, Codes Enforcement Officer; Mike Dobson, WWTP; Chief Todd Bashore, Police Department; and Erik Owen, Fire Marshal.

I. CALL TO ORDER

A moment of silent meditation was observed, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

President Kuntzelman announced that Robert Gould, Property Maintenance Officer, had surgery this week and is out of ICU, with a good outlook.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION to approve the following itemized minutes:

1. Regular Meeting - October 7, 2015
2. Regular Meeting - December 2, 2015, as corrected to reflect roll-call votes passing Ordinance no. 788-15 and Tax Ordinance no. 789-15

was made by Mr. Hartman, seconded by Mr. Tyson, and was carried by a unanimous aye vote.

III. EXECUTIVE SESSION

President Kuntzelman noted for the record the board held Executive Session immediately before this meeting regarding legal matters, and one after adjournment of the December 2 meeting regarding personnel matters.

IV. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Mr. Gene Assante asked for an update regarding the Summerdale project. President Kuntzelman noted they hope to have an update soon on the Summerdale property.

Mr. Alfred Isopi, 536 Joyce Road, addressed the board concerning street cleaning and leaf collection. He stated street sweeping was haphazard throughout the summer as well as the fall, and his street looks terrible. The last date for leaf collection was a couple Tuesdays ago, when there was a tremendous amount of rain. He asked that residents be told when it is scheduled so they do not park on the street, and he suggested the leaf collection should coincide so it does not hinder garbage collection.

Mr. Isopi also reported a pot hole at 525 Joyce Road that was patched last year which is crumbling. He also questioned whether the traffic light at Brentwater Road and the bypass is controlled by the light at Country Club Road, or whether the sensor should be checked.

President Kuntzelman noted information about routes and the days of leaf collection is in the township newsletter, but the street sweeping schedule is not, and he agreed that schedule should be included in the newsletter and on the Web site. He asked that township crews address the pot hole issue before freezing weather comes, and noted it is not too late to get a street sweeper to Joyce Road.

Mr. Dale Crossland asked for updates on the delinquent sewer bill collection. Mr. Pietropaoli noted there will be an update at the January 4 meeting giving a full-year report except for December. The first two sheriff sales on delinquent sewer accounts were held last Wednesday.

V. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL

MOTION authorizing payment of invoices and payroll pending review and signatures of Commissioners, was made by Ms. Magaro, seconded by Mr. Hartman, and was carried by a unanimous aye vote.

The board was updated on the Edward Campbell plan on Trail Lane, which the township received submission for zoning on December 11, 2014. On December 18, 2014, the township issued a review letter citing deficiencies in the plan. On January 15, 2015, the applicant's engineer asked for a delay from the January Planning Commission meeting to the February 12, 2015, Planning Commission meeting.

On December 15, 2014, the Zoning Hearing Board ruled denial of the plan based upon deficiencies. On February 3, 2015, they issued their findings of fact and denial based upon those issues. On May 6, 2015, Rob Shaffer of Act One, the developer's engineer, requested a 90-day extension, which was approved by the board. On August 7, 2015, another 90-day extension was asked for and granted by the board. On October 7, 2015, a third 90-day extension was granted by the board. The third 90-day extension expires this Saturday.

Act One Engineers has been unable to get in contact with their client. The plan cannot move forward because of deficiencies noted in the Zoning Hearing Board denial. There have been no changes to the plan correcting the deficiencies, and no appeal has been taken of the Zoning Hearing Board's decision.

Mr. Owen noted the plan requires Planning Commission submission and approval, as well as their recommendation for approval to the Board of Commissioners. Mr. Tyson asked if denial of this plan precludes them from submitting a plan in the future that would meet the proper zoning. Mr. Owen stated it would not.

MOTION to deny the Grading and Drainage Plan for Edward H. Campbell, Trail Lane, 12/11/2014, Tax Parcel no. 09-11-3005-005, in accordance with Zoning Ordinance Section 27-605, was made by Mr. Hartman, seconded by Ms. Magaro, and was carried by a unanimous aye vote.

Mr. Pietropaoli reviewed the RFP results for the Regional Connections Planning Study - Summerdale Corridor Project. The township submitted for RFPs, which resulted

in six submissions. Central Penn and the township reviewed the submissions in-house, seven people who looked at them and rated each RFP with a point score. Michael Baker International was the point leader on the point scale.

The engineering and technical services agreement states the project will be done in line with the grant offered. The professional services contract between Tri-County Regional Planning Commission and East Pennsboro Township is the township's agreement and arrangement with Tri-County for the short-term study, six-month maximum. It starts this winter through spring. There will be public meetings and presentations.

President Kuntzelman noted for the record that money comes from the grant, the township, and also matching funds from Central Penn. Mr. Pietropaoli noted the township is responsible for \$5,000, the college is responsible for \$5,000, and Tri-County's grant is for \$50,000. The township's interest is indicating some areas lacking sidewalk in Summerdale, impeding any type of pedestrian traffic, such as College Hill Road and Shady Lane lack sidewalks for a section; bike lanes on the State route; and residents in the past requested pedestrian crossings on Valley Road.

Mr. Coyne noted the township has to be the applicant for this grant because the college itself could not apply. The township is acting as the applicant, as it did with the school district earlier this year. This money is already available as leftover funds with Tri-County from the 2014-15 budget.

MOTION to approve the engineering and technical services agreement with Michael Baker International relative to the Regional Connections Planning Study - Summerdale Corridor Project, was made by Mr. Hartman, seconded by Ms. Magaro, and was carried by a majority of aye votes, with Mr. Tyson abstaining.

MOTION to approve and execute the Professional Services Contract between Tri-County Regional Planning Commission and East Pennsboro Township relative to the Regional Connections funding for the Summerdale Corridor Project was made by Ms. Magaro, seconded by Mr. Hartman, and was carried by a unanimous aye vote.

MOTION to approve and adopt the East Pennsboro Township budget for the 2016 fiscal year, was made by Mr. Hartman, seconded by Mr. Tyson, and was carried by a unanimous aye vote.

MOTION to approve Tax Levy Ordinance no. 780-15 of the Township of East Pennsboro, fixing the tax rate on real estate for the year 2016 and reenacting all prior rates on the realty transfer tax, the earned income tax, per capita tax, and the local services tax - 0.83 percent for general purposes, fire services tax at 0.47, for a total of 1.3 mills for 2016 (reenacting realty transfer tax rate enacted in 1956, earned income tax rate in 1966, per capita tax rate in 1976, and the local services tax rate in 2007) was made by Mr. Tyson, seconded by Ms. Magaro, and was passed by a roll-call vote.

Mr. Coyne noted township staff has been involved in ordinance violations of a property located at 408 Valley Street in Summerdale. He submitted copies of a court order requiring clean-up, with costs of the clean-up to be liened against the property.

MOTION approving the hauling contract with Skip's Hauling Service for a fee not to exceed \$7,300 for property maintenance upheld by Cumberland County Court of Common Pleas at 408 Valley Street, Summerdale, which will commence as soon as possible, property to be liened in the amount of actual clean-up, was made by Mr. Tyson, seconded by Mr. Gelb, and was carried by a unanimous aye vote.

MOTION to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 p.m., was made by Mr. Hartman, seconded by Ms. Magaro, and was carried by a unanimous aye vote.