



Board of Supervisors

Regular Meeting

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Tuesday, January 19, 2016

7:00 PM

Public Meeting Room

I. 7:00 PM REGULAR MEETING

Members of the Board of Supervisors in attendance included Chairman; Barbara N. Lyons, Vice Chairman; Richard F. Colello, Supervisors; Ken L. Snyder and Shawn Touhill.

Township Staff in attendance included Township Manager; Stephanie J. Mason, Director of Operations; Richard E. John, Chief of Police; A. Dean Logan and Township Engineer; Mario Canales.

Absent: Supervisor: Ryan Manion and Township Solicitor: Jeffrey P. Garton. In Mr. Garton's absence, Mr. Doug Maloney was present.

- A. Pledge to the flag
- B. Visitors/Public Comments
No comments

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. The next meeting of the Board of Supervisors is scheduled for Tuesday, February 2, 2016 at 5:00pm
- B. There will be a Pension Committee Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, February 2, 2016 at 4:00pm
- C. Movie and Ski Tickets are available through the Township at discounted prices. For more info contact our Administration Offices or online at www.doylestownrec.com
- D. Christmas Tree Drop-Off - Trees can be dropped off at the New Britain Road entrance of Central Park until February 14th.
- E. Stormwater Survey – located on our website www.doylestownpa.org under Information / Stormwater. Survey deadline February 29, 2016
Mr. Snyder questioned; how are the residents contacted to receive the most responses. Ms. Mason answered; the township utilizes survey websites, such as Google Group.

III. MINUTES APPROVAL – Reorganization Meeting – January 4, 2016

Mr. Snyder made a MOTION; seconded by Mr. Touhill the January 4, 2016 Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors Reorganization meeting minutes be approved.

MOTION was ADOPTED 4 to 0.

IV. CORRESPONDENCES

A. Warrington Township Zoning Change

Ms. Mason reported a zoning change requested by Warrington resident; John J. Pileggi Jr will not impact the Township. The property is located near County Line Road and Route 152. The Doylestown Township Planning Commission reviewed the information at their recent work session and recommends no action or objection is needed, due to the proposed zoning change will not impact the Township directly.

The Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors acknowledged receipt of John J. Pileggi, Jr's request to re-zone approximately 41.2 acres of land from Residential Agriculture (RA) to Institutional Age qualified Residential District (IUA). Further directed Ms. Mason will contact Warrington Township to notify the Township has no comment in the matter.

V. REPORTS

A. Solicitor

No Report

B. Police Chief

Police Chief Logan reminded the public of the Solicitor Ordinance that was amended in 2015 which created a no solicitation list for residents. The 2015 No Solicitation list expired on December 31, 2015 and any resident who would like to remain of the list in 2016 can submit their request online.

C. Township Engineer

No Report

D. Manager

Mr. Touhill made a MOTION; seconded by Mr. Colello the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors approve the following three requests to attend conferences and \or training sessions with an over night stay as

1) Autumn Canfield; Special Projects Coordinator to the 2016 Public Employer Labor Relations (PELRAS) Conference at the Penn State Conference Center Hotel. Total cost with an over night stay is \$318.66.

2) Rick Schea; Fire Marshall to the New Jersey Association of Arson Investigators (NJIAAI) Conference in New Jersey from March 9, 2016 to March 11, 2016. Total cost with an overnight stay is \$263.00.

3) Karen Sweeney; Director of Park and Recreation to the Annual Pennsylvania Park and Recreation Society Conference from March 12th to 16, 2016 in Seven Springs, PA. Total cost with an overnight stay is \$1,141.00

MOTION CARRIED 4 to 0.

E. Supervisors

Mr. Touhill announced the Environmental Advisory Council and Park & Recreation Board will be presenting their year end reports at the Board of Supervisors regular meeting in February.

Mr. Snyder reported during the recent Building Renovation meeting, space requirements were discussed. The goal is complete the project without high cost in labor. The next step is to receive new estimates to compare with ones previously submitted. The committee is also preparing a presentation for the Board of Supervisors on February 2, 2016. The next building renovation meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 21st at 2:00pm.

The Ways and Means Committee will hold their reorganization meeting on January 27th at 7:00pm. The committee will also be reviewing the 2016 budget process, so they may improve on the budget process and incorporate changes in 2017. Mr. Snyder encouraged all supervisors and Finance Director; Ken Wallace to attend.

Mr. Colello reported Chairman of the Doylestown Township Municipal Authority (DTMA); Ronald C. May announced his resignation effective February 19th after nineteen years of service. Mr. May delayed his resignation to provide sufficient time to locate his replacement.

Mr. Colello made a MOTION; seconded by Mr. Touhill the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors accept the resignation of Ronald C. May as Chairman of the Doylestown Township Municipal Authority Committee effective February 19, 2016.

MOTION CARRIED 4 to 0.

Mr. Colello made a MOTION; seconded by Mr. Touhill the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors appoint Joe Van Houten to the Doylestown Township Municipal Authority effective February 19, 2016.

MOTION CARRIED 4 to 0.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Dog Park Appointment

Mrs. Lyons made a MOTION; seconded by Mr. Colello the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors appoint Andrew Miller as a member of the Doylestown Dog Park Advisory Board.

MOTION CARRIED 4 to 0.

VII. NEW BUSINESS**A. BIKE & HIKE EASEMENTS**

1. Neshaminy Greenway & Lower State Road

Bike and Hike Committee Member; Thomas Kelso addressed the Board to request approval to move forward with appraisals for two properties. Mrs. Lyons indicated appraisals for the Emmell Property at 159 Almshouse Road is anticipated to cost \$1,300.00 and Fordhook Farms off Lower State Road at \$1,200.00 with an appraisal review of \$1,800 because of the Federal Grant.

Mr. Kelso reported; upon a recent discussion at the Bike & Hike Committee meeting, there is a commitment to continue discussions with each property owner to resolve any issues they may have.

He then noted it's important to submit the appraisals as soon as possible, because of the process time. It will also assist with negotiations.

Mr. Snyder questioned; with the proposed 10 foot wide path causing a disruption with existing trees, has the committee offered any compromises. Mr. Kelso answered; the committee will provide the property owners with three or four different options for consideration.

Mr. Touhill made a MOTION; seconded by Mr. Colello the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors approve appraisals be performed at the Emmell Property at 159 Almshouse and the Fordhook Farms property located off Lower State Road along with the required appraisal review for a combined amount of approximately \$4,300.00 in connection with the Neshaminy Greenway Trail project and TAP Grant.

MOTION CARRIED 4 to 0.

B. Request for Second Driveway - Ewer Property

Ms. Mason reported on Mr. John Ewer of 10 Bedford Drive in Doylestown request to add a second driveway with regards to a new garage construction. As per Director of Code Enforcement; Sinclair Salisbury January 12, 2016 memorandum, there is no objection to Mr. Ewe's request. The construction provides improvement to the property's impervious surface.

Mr. Colello was in favor of the proposed improvement, stating it's a difficult neighborhood to offer improvements, make more livable, comply with the needs of the neighbors and impervious surface.

Mr. Touhill concurred with Mr. Colello's comments and noted for the record, his previous employment with the applicants' family member.

Mr. Colello made a MOTION; seconded by Mr. Snyder the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors approve Mr. John Ewer's request to build a second driveway at 10 Bedford Drive in Doylestown.

MOTION CARRIED 4 to 0.

C. Treasurer's Report – January 19, 2016

Mr. Touhill made a MOTION; seconded by Mr. Snyder the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors approve the January 19, 2016 Treasurer's Report.

MOTION was ADOPTED 4 to 0.

D. Bills Lists – January 19, 2016

Mr. Snyder made a MOTION; seconded by Mr. Touhill the Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors approve the January 19, 2016 Bill's List in the amount of \$524,052.12.

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IX. ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further business, the Tuesday, January 19, 2016 Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors meeting was adjourned at 7:18pm.

Respectfully submitted by;

Stephanie J. Mason
Secretary