



Board of Supervisors

Regular Meeting

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~ Minutes ~

Tuesday, December 17, 2019

7:00 PM

Community Meeting Room

I. 7:00 PM REGULAR MEETING

Members of the Board of Supervisors in attendance included Chairperson Barbara N. Lyons, Vice Chairman Ken L. Snyder with Supervisors; Ryan Manion, Richard F. Colello, and Jennifer V. Herring.

Township Staff in attendance included Township Manager Stephanie J. Mason, Director of Operations Dave Tomko, Township Solicitor Jeffrey P. Garton, Chief of Police A. Dean Logan and Township Engineer Geoffrey J. Attanasio.

A. Pledge to the flag

B. Presentation – 2019 Turk Road Feasibility Study – Chris Stanford, Michael Baker Int.

Tom Kelso, Doylestown Township Bike and Hike Committee, asked for approval of the 2019 Turk Road Feasibility Study. He noted they have worked with residents over the year to collaborate on the project. Chris Stanford, P.E., PMP, PTOE, Project Manager at Michael Baker International, presented the 2019 Turk Road Feasibility Study that was worked on with Doylestown Borough on improving bike and hike connections. He discussed next steps would include grant writing, design engineering, and estimated construction to occur in the year 2023/2024.

Mr. Snyder inquired if the Tabor Road ramp would cross at the traffic light and during the presentation he noticed the legends on some of the slides do not match. Mr. Stanford noted the road ramp would intersect with the Wawa project in Doylestown Borough and he agreed that the presentation would be corrected.

The board endorsed the project.

C. Visitors/Public Comments

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. Doylestown Township Municipal Offices will be closed Wednesday, December 25th 2019 in observance of Christmas, Wednesday, January 1, 2020 in observance of New Year's Day and Monday, January 20, 2020 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr Day.

- B. Board of Supervisors Reorganization meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 6, 2020 at 4:00 PM.
- C. Doylestown Township Board of Auditors Reorganization meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 7, 2020, at 4:30 PM.
- D. Concerned Citizens from Rogers Road and Vicinity will be meeting in the Community Meeting Room on January 7, 2020 at 7:00 PM to discuss traffic concerns.
- E. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Supervisors will be held on January 21, 2020 at 7:00 PM.
- F. Christmas Tree Drop-Off - Trees can be dropped off at the New Britain Road entrance of Central Park anytime during December and January.
- G. GIFT GIVING IDEAS – Contact the Administration offices for more information
 - 1. Movie Tickets and Ski Tickets
 - 2. Bicentennial Gifts –Mercer Tiles
 - 3. Park and Recreation Gift Certificates – Programs
 - 4. Park Benches
 - 5. Mural Print
 - 6. “Dogs Around Doylestown” – Poster
 - 7. Bricks at the Service Memorial
 - 8. Kids Castle Bricks

III. MINUTES APPROVAL – Regular Meeting - December 3, 2019

Mr. Snyder MOTIONED to approve the minutes. Mr. Colello seconded. MOTION passed 5-0.

IV. CORRESPONDENCES - NA

V. REPORTS

- A. Solicitor
- B. Police Chief
- C. Township Engineer
- D. Director of Operations
- E. Manager
- F. Supervisors

Ms. Herring noted that the Telecommunications Advisory Board met and reviewed logistics to change the acoustics in the Community Meeting Room; they are working on a “new resident video”, and will have a new Township website soon. She also reported the Environmental Advisory Committee is planning “10 Days of Trees” event. She recognized Owen Neil for the completing his Eagle Scout project in Central Park. She reported that Parks and Recreation along with Ways and Means Committee had a joint meeting to review plans and finances for a community center.

Mr. Snyder noted residents concerned regarding Rogers Road were engaged and attended the Traffic Advisory Committee meetings pertaining to the concern. He thanked Chief Logan for

taking initiative and coming up with an agreement. He encouraged residents to be informed and attend public meetings. He also informed the Board that the Parks and Recreation Board along with Ways and Means Committee will attend the Board of Supervisors January meeting to inquire what the next steps are to proceed with building a community center.

Mr. Snyder spoke on his time served as a board member after six years of service. He reflected on all of the completed projects during his term and hopes the Board will focus on resource capacity management and resident engagement. He thanked the Township staff and Board for the opportunity to serve.

Mr. Colello thanked Mr. Snyder for his work.

Ms. Manion thanked Mr. Colello and Mr. Snyder for their service on the Board of Supervisors.

Ms. Lyons noted that Doylestown Township was recently recognized during the Doylestown Health's Woodall Center for Heart and Vascular Care opening.

VI. PUBLIC HEARING – NA

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - NA

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. 2020 Doylestown Township Final Budget

Mr. Snyder moved to approve the budget. Mr. Colello seconded. MOTION passed 5-0.

B. Resolution No. 2178 – Fixing the Tax Rate for Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2020

Ms. Herring noted page two under “ambulance and rescue squad” the number 5 did not foot.

Mr. Snyder MOTIONED to approve Resolution No. 2178 with the correction. Mr. Colello seconded. MOTION passed 5-0.

C. Proposed Well Ordinance – Request Authorization to Advertise –

Mr. Garton presented an amended ordinance, as discussed at the November, 19 2019 meeting, to require mandatory testing of private wells at the time of sale for homes in the Township. He inquired if the Board would like to advertise and if they want to send a copy of the ordinance to the Board of Realtors for input.

Ms. Lyons confirmed that transfers that do not require a transfer tax are exempt from the ordinance.

Ms. Herring noted PFOS is not tested under federal and state drinking tests. Mr. Hass stated it would be under health advisory level, 70 parts per trillion.

Mr. Garton noted the PFOS would be added to the ordinance as criteria to be met and we would require testing to be the most stringent standards for federal and state testing. Mr. Hass thanked Mr. Colello and Mr. Snyder for their service on the board.

Mr. Colello MOTIONED to approve the Ordinance for advertisement with amendments. Mr. Snyder seconded. MOTION passed 4-1 with Ms. Herring voting nay.

D. ARLE Funding Agreement – Swamp @ Easton Rd. – Traffic Signal Modifications

Ms. Manion MOTIONED to approve the reimbursement agreement. Mr. Colello seconded. MOTION passed 5-0.

E. Request to send Township Equipment to Auction

Ms. Manion MOTIONED to approve the request. Mr. Snyder seconded. MOTION passed 5-0.

F. 457 Plans – Englebert and ICMA-RC

1. Englebert Financial Advisers

Mr. Snyder MOTIONED to approve the agreement with Englebert Financial Advisers. Ms. Herring seconded. MOTION passed 5-0.

2. ICMA-RC

Ms. Herring MOTIONED to approve agreement with ICMA-RC. Mr. Snyder seconded. MOTION passed 5-0.

G. Zoning Hearing Board – L. Hoffman, 95 Wilkshire Rd. – Requests a Variance

Ms. Mason recommended leaving the request to the Zoning Hearing Board. The Board agreed.

H. Treasurer's Report – December 17, 2019

Mr. Snyder MOTIONED to approve the Treasurer's Report. Mr. Colello seconded. MOTION passed 5-0.

I. Bills List – December 17, 2019

Ms. Herring MOTIONED to approve the Bills List for the amount of \$1,268,775.20. Mr. Colello seconded. MOTION passed 5-0.

J. Resolutions– Recognizing Outgoing Supervisors

Ms. Lyons presented resolutions and plaques to Mr. Snyder and Mr. Colello for their service on the Board of Supervisors.

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X. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned by Ms. Lyons at 7:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted by,

Stephanie J. Mason
Secretary