The Tinicum Township Board of Commissioners held their regular monthly meeting on the above date and time at 629 N. Governor Printz Blvd., Essington, PA 19029. Commissioner Lisa Edmiston was absent from this meeting. Thomas J. Giancristoforo, President presiding:

Dennis Arthur, Vice President C. Patrick Barr, Commissioner Patrick McCarthy, Commissioner Sam Auslander, Esq. James MacCombie, P.E. David Schreiber, Manager Elaine M. Brolley, Secretary

President Giancristoforo called the meeting to order, all rose for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

# Invocation

Reverend Edward R. Oswald from St. John's Lutheran Church gave the Invocation

**On A Motion** by Dennis Arthur, seconded by Pat Barr, the minutes of the October 2015 Commissioners Monthly Meeting were accepted and approved, by a unanimous voice vote.

President Giancristoforo reported that all members had received copies of the October 2015 Treasurer's and Secretary's report of Receipts. There being no questions:

**On A Motion** by Dennis Arthur, seconded by Pat McCarthy, the reports were accepted and approved as submitted, by a unanimous voice vote.

President Giancristoforo asked for a motion to pay bills for the month of November 2015. The bill list for November will be submitted to the Board members at the end of the month. There being no questions:

**On A Motion** by Dennis Arthur, seconded by Pat Barr, the bill list will be paid for the month of November 2015 by a unanimous voice vote.

# PUBLIC FORUM

## **Agenda Item Comments**

Regarding Item # 13, Solicitors Report, Mr. Zurdi Dobi, 200 Powhattan Ave., stated that Mr. Auslander did not provide the required information relating to the Executive Session the Board conducted during the month of October, specifically the Docket Number for the citation issued to the Railroad Company. During the Solicitor Report, Mr. Auslander stated that the October minutes clearly disclose the nature of the Executive Session and the outcome of the hearing held at the Folcroft District Court as well as the other topics discussed in the Session. Mr. Auslander did not have the specific citation numbers at hand.

Mr. Dobi also asked Township Engineer James MacCombie to expand upon the Sketch Plan submission provided by Express Park to park cars in the I-95 Right of Way. During the Engineer's Report, Mr. MacCombie stated that Express Park submitted a "Sketch Plan" for parking along the I-95 right-of-way within their parking facility. As this is only a sketch plan, no official action is needed by the Board. However, Mr. MacCombie did address the plan in a letter from his office with comments for the Board to consider. Some of the concerns include providing sufficient documentation evidence that the Commonwealth has provided clearance to use the I-95 right-of-way, a conditional use hearing before the Board is required, and a Subdivision/Land Development application must be filed.

# ADMINISTRATION, LAW, ORDINANCE, PUBLIC SAFETY & FINANCE Thomas J. Giancristoforo Jr., Chairman

## Acquisition of 402 North Governor Printz Blvd.

Before voting on this issue, Mr. Auslander stated that his and the Engineer's office are in the process of ensuring that environmental due diligence is complete, a title search and insurance will be obtained and that settlement will be in early 2016.

**ON A MOTION** by Mr. Barr, seconded by Mr. Arthur, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to enter into an agreement of sale to purchase the property known as 402 North Governor Printz Blvd (at the corner of North Gov Printz and 4<sup>th</sup> Ave) at a price of \$35,000 and authorizing the Township Manager and/or the President of the Board of Commissioners to sign the appropriate documents to acquire said property.

# Engage Mingus Gutowski as Township Auditor

**ON A MOTION** by Mr. Arthur, seconded by Mr. Barr, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to appoint the firm of Mingis, Gutowski and Company as auditor for Tinicum Township for the year ending December 31st, 2015 at a cost of approximately \$17,200 for the general fund and \$2,000 for the Library Fund.

# **Extension of Time for Land Development Application Requirements for the Clarion Hotel** <u>and RAMA Construction</u>

Mr. Schreiber explained they asked for an extension with stipulations.

**ON A MOTION** by Mr. Arthur, seconded by Mr. McCarthy, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to approve a 1 year extension of the timeframe by which Rama Construction and the Clarion Hotel must comply with the requirements of their Land Development Application to November 2016 with the condition that the applicant fence and secure the site within 10 days of this date. Said requirement was to complete and file their final Land Development Application within 90 days from the date of the opening of their temporary fueling station.

# John Morton Winter Survival Camp

Mr. Schreiber explained it's their annual camp and insurance was provided by Mr. Larkin

**ON A MOTION** by Mr. Barr, seconded by Mr. McCarthy, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to approve the John Morton Winter Survival Camp at Westinghouse Grove during the weekend of January 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> (foul weather dates of January 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>).

# **Appointment of Additional Turn Key Personnel**

**ON A MOTION** by Mr. McCarthy, seconded by Mr. Barr, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to appoint the following persons as Turn Key's at the Tinicum Township Police Station at a rate of \$15.00 per hour:

Leslie Darley

538 Saude Avenue, Essington, PA

Dewey Darley

538 Saude Avenue, Essington, PA

## **Code Enforcement Report – October 2015**

October: The Code Enforcement Officer Issued:

14 Certificates of Occupancies for a total of \$1,875.00

14 Building Permits for a total of \$31,016.00

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

## POLICE, FIRE, AND BUILDINGS

#### Patrick K. McCarthy, Chairman

#### **POLICE REPORT – October 2015**

Township Fines: <u>\$6,081.83.</u> Of that amount, a total of <u>\$535.00</u> was Parking Tickets. The department handled  $\underline{669}$  incidents and made  $\underline{60}$  criminal arrests. 40 of those criminal arrests were adults 20 of those criminal arrests were juveniles. 20 of the juveniles was handled within the Department and Released **<u>0</u>** animals were taken into custody

#### FIRE COMPANY REPORTS:

# Fire Company Report – October 2015 Assist -1Building Fire – 12 AFA – 6 Assist PD - 1 MVA - 7Investigation - 2 Brush - 1Vehicle Fire – 1 Fire Police Assist - 1 Marine Unit – 1

Total Incidents – 34

Average Turnout Per Incident – 9

Total time in service – 20:06:03 Overall avg. Time: 00:35:28

**Respectfully Submitted,** 

Chief Jonathan Buschmeier

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## FIRE MARSHAL REPORT

## **October 2015**

Tinicum Township Fire Marshal October 2015 Activity Report

## FIRE MARSHALL REPORT – October 2015

On October 14<sup>th</sup> I responded to the fire and reported hazardous material incident at 10 Industrial Highway, Tinicum Industrial Park. (Old Westinghouse Plant). The fire involved some scrap chemical material from "house cleaning" that was not compatible with water. The Delaware County Hazardous Material Team was also dispatched to the incident. Building damage was minimal and the fire was contained and extinguished. The material involved was non-hazardous to health. I followed up with the clean-up that was done satisfactory early the next morning.

On October 7<sup>th</sup> I responded to and resolved a false fire alarm problem with the fire sprinkler system at 621 N. Governor Printz Boulevard, Colonial Airport Parking I have reviewed the following building renovation plans for buildings at the Philadelphia International Airport that are in Tinicum Township:

BP-161-15: US Airways/American Airlines Hanger, installation of foam test header piping. BP-163-15: Southwest, New Cargo facility Building C-2, installation of additional fire alarm horn/strobe fire alarm devices.

Respectively Submitted,

Raymond W. Lonabaugh, CFPS

#### PUBLIC WORKS, HIGHWAYS, AND RAILROADS

#### Lisa Edmiston, Chairman

Public Works - October, 2015

#### October 2015

- Leaf pick up has begun. Please remember that leaves are to be placed IN the street at the Curb-Line.
- Servicing all the trucks for the winter has begun
- > Pothole repair -2 tons used

#### Trash removal for the month of October 2015:

Regular trash – 176.67 tons Heavy trash – 8.74 tons Recyclables – 19.25 tons White goods – 6 pieces

Respectfully Submitted, Walter E. Lee, Superintendent Highway Department

## SANITATION Dennis R. Arthur, Chairman

Tinicum Township Wastewater Treatment

#### Monthly Report for October 2015

Total: 22,106,000 million gallons

Average: 1,005,000 GPD

Total Sludge: 236,665 thousand gallons

Total Methane Gas: 121,417 thousand cubic feet

Sludge Hauled: 38,000 thousand gals 2.79% solids

#### Sewer Complaint:

10/2015 None

#### **Equipment Repairs:**

10/2015 Started rebuilding primary #1-2 settling tanks. Replacing all steel tracks, wear strips, flight shoes.

10/2015 Number 2 sludge piston pump sent out and completely rebuilt.

10/2015 Scru impeller pump used to recalculate sludge in digester rebuilt.

10/2015 All work done by employees except welding which was done by Menolds Inc.

#### **Operation Problems:**

Working on chlorination problems and fecal coli regulations

#### **Miscellaneous Items:**

10/2015 Service all police vehicles that had to be serviced

Robert J. Bernauer

# HEALTH AND RECREATION

## Pat Barr, Chairman

## Board of Health / Recreation - October, 2015

Mr. Barr reported that soccer season is winding down and thanked all of the coaches and other volunteers that make the season possible. Mr. Barr reported that hockey and basketball sign-ups will begin shortly on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 6:00-8:00.

Mr. Barr also reported that students of the Tinicum School recently won two awards: The Interboro School District's Reading Program contest (by collectively reading the most books) and the Memorial Day Parade attendance contest (by having the most school students present at the parade).

## Solicitor's Report: Sam Auslander, Esquire

Mr. Auslander responded to Mr. Dobi's question about the Board's executive session as reported previously in these minutes under Public Participation for Agenda Items.

Mr. Auslander also reported that the petition from A Taste of Key West to transfer an out of town liquor license to a location within Essington has been withdrawn.

# Engineer's Report: James MacCombie, P.E.

Mr. James MacCombie reported that the application period for the County Community Development Block Grant is open. Mr. MacCombie will consider some ideas for submission. Mr. MacCombie also responded to Mr. Dobi's question about the Board's executive session as reported previously in these minutes under Public Participation for Agenda Items.

## Manager's Report: David D. Schreiber

The Township Manager reported that the Board met in Executive Session after the Commissioner's Workshop Meeting to discuss police and non uniform personnel collective bargaining issues. The Township Manager also reported that insurance has been secured for the scout event in January.

## Secretary's Correspondence

Ms. Brolley stated there was none to report.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

# ADJOURMENT OF THE BUSINESS PORTION OF MEETING

**ON A MOTION** by Mr. Arthur, seconded by Mr. Barr to adjourn the business portion of this meeting by a unanimous voice vote.

## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

#### **Public Comment:**

- Mr. Ed Rubillo, 120 Wyandotte St., thanked the Board for the phone scam alerts that were recently put out. Mr. Rubillo asked if the flood plain maps were available in the office. Mr. Rubillo also stated that cars and motorcycles were speeding up and down Gov Printz Blvd.
- 2. Mr. Zurdi Dobi, 200 Powhattan Ave., asked the Township Solicitor to provide the docket numbers for the citations issued to the railroad company. Mr. Dobi asked for page numbers to be included on the Commissioners meeting minutes. Mr. Dobi protested that a copy of the preliminary budget was not handed out at the Township's budget workshop meeting and asked for an increase in the budgeted amount for the Township Library.

Mr. Dobi also made several accusations regarding the Township's Alternate Health Inspector that Mr. Dobi opines is cause for dismissal.

# ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

**ON A MOTION** by Mr. Arthur, seconded by Mr. McCarthy to adjourn the meeting by a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine M. Brolley

**Township Secretary** 

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