

21st March 2016 @ 7:00 P.M.

The Tincum Township Board of Commissioners held their regular monthly meeting on the above date and time at 629 N. Governor Printz Blvd., Essington, PA 19029 with Thomas J. Giancristoforo, President presiding:

Dennis Arthur, Vice President

C. Patrick Barr, Commissioner

Patrick McCarthy, Commissioner

Lisa Edmiston, 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

Father Anthony Orth from St. Gabriel's Catholic Church gave the Invocation

On A Motion by Dennis Arthur, seconded by Pat Barr, the minutes of the February 2016 Commissioners Monthly Meeting were accepted and approved, by a unanimous voice vote.

President Giancristoforo reported that all members had received copies of the February 2016 Treasurer's and Secretary's report of Receipts. There being no questions:

On A Motion by Dennis Arthur, seconded by Pat Barr, 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 March 2016. The bill list for March 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 Lisa Edmiston, the bill list will be paid for the month of March 2016 by a unanimous voice vote.

PUBLIC FORUM

Agenda Item Comments

There were no comments from the public offered this month.

ADMINISTRATION, LAW, ORDINANCE, PUBLIC SAFETY & FINANCE

Thomas J. Giancristoforo Jr., Chairman

Appointments to Board of Health

ON A MOTION by Mr. Barr, seconded by Mr. McCarthy, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to appoint Ann Connor of 300 Mohican Street and Carol McGeehan 308 Carre Avenue.

Summer Employee Applications

ON A MOTION by Mrs. Edmiston, seconded by Mr. Barr, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to accept applications for seasonal summer employees for a period of approximately 12 weeks at a salary of \$8.75.

Tinicum Township 2016 Street Repaving

ON A MOTION by Mrs. Edmiston, seconded by Mr. Arthur, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to instruct the Township Engineer's office to develop a Request for Proposal for Tinicum Township's 2016 street repaving project. The Township Engineer will provide a proposed list of streets or roads for the Board's consideration in the proposal.

New Sewage Usage Rate

ON A MOTION by Mr. Arthur, seconded by Mr. Barr, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to approve the adoption of Tinicum Township Ordinance 880 regulating and amending the rates for annual sewer rental and use. Ordinance 2016-880 will amend the Township's sewer rental rate from \$4.00 per 1000 gallons used to \$4.50 per one thousand gallons used while still exempting the first 35,000 gallons for each semi- annual billing period.

Appointment of Lazaretto Bid Committee

ON A MOTION by Mr. Arthur, seconded by Mr. Barr, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to appoint a Bid Committee for the purpose of opening any and all bid packages returned to Tinicum Township for the restoration and renovation of the Historic Lazaretto Building. Said Bid Committee will convene on April 7 to open returned bids during a public meeting at 2:15 pm at the Township Administration Office. The Bid Committee will consist of Mr. Dennis O'Neil of MacCombie Engineering, Ms. Nan Gutterman of Vitetta Architects, Ms. Elaine Brolley, Township Secretary, Township Manager David Schreiber, and Commissioner McCarthy.

Adoption of Employment Agreement with Tinicum Township Non Uniform Employees

ON A MOTION by Mrs. Edmiston, seconded by Mr. Arthur, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to adopt a Memorandum Of Understanding with the Non Uniform Employees of the Public Works Department and the Wastewater Treatment Plan for a period of three years from 2016 to December 31, 2018. The Memorandum of Understanding calls for salary increases of 3% each year, participating in the Township's healthcare plan with a 2% contribution towards the cost of premium, and participating in a 457 voluntary contribution retirement plan. Said adoption

is contingent upon receipt of a fully executed agreement from the members of the Non Uniform Employees representative members.

Appointment of Part Time Police Officers

ON A MOTION by Mr. McCarthy, seconded by Mrs. Edmiston, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to appoint Mr. Sal Qualroli of 405 Corinthian Avenue, Essington and Mr. Johnathan Downs of 407 Trites Ave., Norwood to the position of Part Time Patrol Officer within the Tincum Township Police Department contingent upon the satisfactory completion of a medical and physiological examination.

Code Enforcement Report – February 2016

February: The Code Enforcement Officer Issued:

17 Certificates of Occupancies for a total of **\$2,150.00**

11 Building Permits for a total of **\$407,723.00**

COMMITTEE REPORTS

POLICE, FIRE, AND BUILDINGS

Patrick K. McCarthy, Chairman

POLICE REPORT – February 2016

Township Fines: **\$3,654.33**. Of that amount, a total of **\$1,665.00** were Parking Tickets.

The department handled **579** incidents and made **45** criminal arrests.

45 of those criminal arrests were adults

0 of those criminal arrests were juveniles.

0 of the juveniles was handled within the Department and Released

0 animals were taken into custody

FIRE COMPANY REPORTS:

Fire Company Report – February 2016

Assist – 1

Building Fire – 6

Natural Gas Leak – 1

Drill – 4

AFA – 12

Assist PD – 1

MVA – 11

Cover Assignment – 1

Fuel Spill – 1

Marine Unit - 1

Total Incident Count – 39

Total Time of Calls By Incident

Total Time of all Calls: 25:37:00 Overall avg. Time: 00:39:25

Average Turnout Per Incident

Average Turnout: 9

Respectfully Submitted,

Chief Jonathan Buschmeier

T.T.F.C.

FIRE MARSHALL REPORT – February 2016

- **02/29/16 Responded to a fire alarm problem at 429 Powhattan Avenue in Lester**
- **Three plan reviews:**
 1. **BP-1-2016 International Plaza 1. Philadelphia Parking Authority, Basement Fire Sprinkler Relocation.**
 2. **BP-3-2016 ASIG Tank Farm, Philadelphia International Airport, 3 Hog Island Road. Fire Valve Replacements.**
 3. **BP-10-2016 200 Stevens Drive. Amerihealth, Security Center,, Fire Sprinkler Relocation**

Raymond W. Lonabaugh, CFPS

Fire Marshal

PUBLIC WORKS, HIGHWAYS, AND RAILROADS

Lisa Edmiston, Chairman

Public Works – February, 2016

- Ball fields are in the process of being cleaned up
- Repaired the Tot Lot in the Manor Field
- Tide gates were opened for 2 days before and 3 days after the storm
- Storm drains and ditches were cleaned

Trash removal for the month of February 2016:

Regular trash – 142.69 tons

Heavy trash – 6.43 tons

Recyclables – 20.55 tons

White goods – 4 pieces

Respectfully Submitted,
Walter E. Lee, Superintendent

Highway Department

SANITATION
Dennis R. Arthur, Chairman

Tinicum Township Wastewater Treatment

Monthly Report for February 2016

Total: 39,358,000 gallons

Average: 1,357,000 GPD

Total Sludge: 222,946 gallons

Total Methane Gas: 124,224 cubic feet

Average cu ft

Sludge Hauled: 12,875 gals % solids 2.78

Sewer Complaint:

02/2016 None

Equipment Repairs:

02/2016 Installed safety railing around roof area

02/2016 Replaced security monitor, it was worn out. Installed 2 new cameras

Operation Problems:

02/2016 General work around plant

02/22/2016 to 03/01/2016 Bernauer off due to personal medical

Miscellaneous items:

02/2016 Serviced all police vehicles that had to be serviced

Robert J. Bernauer

HEALTH AND RECREATION

Pat Barr, Chairman

Board of Health / Recreation - March, 2016

Mr. Barr reported that the Intramural Hockey season has ended and thanked all of the volunteers that help to make the season a success. Baseball and softball signups have been completed and the season will start shortly.

Regarding Board of Health News, Mr. Barr reported that the annual rabies clinic will be held on Saturday, April 9 at Town Hall. The planting of the flower pots will take place on Saturday, May 7. Mr. Barr and any interested volunteers will meet at 9:00 am on Powhatten Ave near Mel's Diner. The Annual Farmers Market will start on June 15 and run from 4:30 to 7:30 on every other Wednesday.

Solicitor's Report: Sam Auslander, Esquire

Mr. Auslander reported that there are two outstanding tax assessment appeals for which a trial date is expected by the end of March. They are: Tax Assessment Appeal for 10 Industrial Highway (Docket 2015-01651); Tax Assessment Appeal for Cargo City 2 (Docket 2015-012254)

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

Mr. James MacCombie reported that his office is reviewing a survey and legal description of Hog Island Road provided by the City of Philadelphia in conjunction with the Township's proposed agreement with the City of Philadelphia for the lease/purchase of Hog Island Road.

Manager's Report: David D. Schreiber

The Township Manager reported that an advertisement for Requests for Proposals for the restoration of the Lazaretto was advertised and that bids were due by April 7. Mr. Schreiber also reported that the bids for the East Coast Greenway were returned and bids ranged from \$1.8 million to \$2 million. The grant awarded to the Township for the project is \$1.4 million. PennDOT is considering how to cover the additional cost of the project.

Secretary's Correspondence

Ms. Brolley read a letter from Jean Goerlach regarding the use of the Community Room.

ON A MOTION by Mr. Arthur, seconded by Mr. McCarthy the Board unanimously voted via Voice Vote to approve the use of the Tincum Township Community Room for the Ladies Auxiliary of the Tincum Township Fire Company for a scrapbooking fundraiser to be held Saturday, October 15, 2016 from 9:00 to 5:00 pm.

OTHER BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT 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:

1. Mr. John Detwiler, 211 LaGrange, spoke about a mishap at the Essington School on Wanamaker Avenue that happened some time ago and suggested that if the propane tank located at the Clarion Hotel was not properly secured, a similar mishap may occur. Mr. Detwiler also referred to a recent article in the Philadelphia Inquirer that included an interview with the International Airport's CEO. Mr. Detwiler stated that the article reported that the CEP was "put on hold" and that the airport was not going to construct a 5th runway.
2. Mr. Zurdi Dobi, 200 Powhattan Avenue, stated that the time on the Township's Government Channel needed to be changed by 1 hour. Mr. Dobi stated that the minutes of the January 2016 Reorganization Meeting were not voted upon in a public meeting. Mr. Dobi stated that he received three telephone calls from the Township warning residents about telephone and computer scams. Mr. Dobi complained that no other information was provided to residents about the number of scams perpetrated or the results of an investigation. Mr. Dobi also stated that his Right to Know request from October has yet to be responded to. The Board responded that his request has been responded to.

3. Mr. Art Perdun, 247 S. Gov Printz, Blvd., asked if the propane tank located at the Clarion Hotel was temporary. The Board responded it was. Mr. Perdun also spoke about telephone and computer scams that have happened to other people he knows.
4. Ms. Marian Matuliwich, 200 Powhatten Ave., stated that her neighbor has a broken drainage pipe on and that water is running onto Ms. Matuliwich's property. The Board responded that the Code Enforcement Officer would look into the problem. Mrs. Matuliwich also stated that there was no crossing guard on the corner of 3rd Avenue and Gov Printz Blvd on several occasions and that she called the Police Department to report it.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

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

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine M. Brolley

Township Secretary

