

15th May 2017 @ 6:30 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. Township Engineer, James MacCombie was absent from this meeting:

Dennis Arthur, Vice President

C. Patrick Barr, Commissioner

Patrick McCarthy, Commissioner

Lisa Edmiston, Commissioner

Sam Auslander, Esq.

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 Mark Smith from St. John the Evangelist Church gave the Invocation

President Giancristoforo announced that students from Tincum Elementary School were present to read essays honoring our Country's Veterans in recognition of Memorial Day. Mr. Pat Quinn introduced each student as they read their essays. When finished President Giancristoforo thanked the students and also stated the Board would like to thank all our Veterans for their service.

Additionally, prior to the start of the regular agenda, Commissioner McCarthy presented Board President Giancristoforo with a 25 year recognition gift that was to be given to Mr. Giancristoforo by the Eastern Delaware County Commissioner's Association.

President Giancristoforo called the meeting back to order.

On A Motion by Dennis Arthur, seconded by Pat Barr, the minutes of the April 2017 Commissioners Monthly Meeting were accepted and approved, by a unanimous voice vote.

President Giancristoforo reported that all members had received copies of the April 2017 Treasurer's and Secretary's report of Receipts. There being no questions:

On A Motion by Dennis Arthur, seconded by Lisa Edmiston, 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 May 2017. The bill list for May 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 McCarthy, the bill list will be paid for the month of May 2017 by a unanimous voice vote.

PUBLIC FORUM

Agenda Item Comments

Regarding item # 15, Land Lease of Township Property at 2nd St. and Delaware River, Mr. Dobi asked who is paying the cost of developing the parking lot. The Board responded that the Developer is paying the cost. Mr. Dobi claimed that there is illegal dumping on that property and asked who is paying for the property clean up. The Board responded that the Developer has a 90 day due diligence period for any inspections on the property. Mr. Dobi asked the Township Solicitor for an explanation on the Executive Session held after the May Workshop Meeting and asked the Township Manager for an explanation on the Zoning Hearing Board's decision on the Medical Marijuana application. Mr. Dobi stated once again that he believes the January 2017 Commissioner's meeting minutes are not accurate.

Regarding Item #12, Resolution Adopting the Delaware County Hazard Mitigation Plan, Mr. Art Perdun of 247 S. Gov Printz Blvd asked who manages the Mitigation Plan. The Board responded that Delaware County maintains the plan. Regarding Item 16, Extension of Time for Land Development of Keystone Properties, Mr. Perdun asked if there were going to be any changes to their application. The Board responded it was not known at this time if any changes were being considered.

ADMINISTRATION, LAW, ORDINANCE, PUBLIC SAFETY & FINANCE

Thomas J. Giancristoforo Jr., Chairman

Release of Escrow Funds for Century Collision Land Development

ON A MOTION by Mr. Barr, seconded by Mrs. Edmiston, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to approve the release of \$22,775 in escrowed funds by Century Collision 355 N. Governor Printz Blvd for the improvements they've done to date on their land development application. Said release has been reviewed and recommended for approval by the Township Engineer.

Release # 2 to Wu & Associates for work completed on the Restoration of the Lazaretto Building

ON A Motion by Mr. McCarthy, seconded by Mr. Barr the vote was 3-2 in favor of passing the motion. Commissioner McCarthy, Aye. Commissioner Barr, Aye. Commissioner Edmiston, Aye. Commissioner Arthur, Nay. Commissioner Giancristoforo, Nay.

Purchase of Ford F-550 Dump Truck for Public Works Department

ON A MOTION by Mrs. Edmiston, seconded by Mr. McCarthy, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to approve the purchase of one F-550 Ford Dump Truck from Fred Beans Ford Lincoln in the amount of \$76,745.40. This truck will replace a 1994 S2500 International Dump Truck. Said purchase includes a state CoStar discount of \$7988.

Purchase of Emergency Power Generator for Water Treatment Plant Pumping Station

ON A MOTION by Mr. Arthur, seconded by Mr. Barr, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to purchase a 30 kilowatt emergency power generator to service the Treatment Plant Pumping station at 45 Industrial Highway. Purchase price of said generator is in the amount of \$18,279.

Awarding of Bid for the Township's 2017 Street Resurfacing Project

ON A MOTION by Mrs. Edmiston, seconded by Mr. McCarthy, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to award the bid for the Township's 2017 street resurfacing program to Gessler Construction of Media PA. Said bid is in the amount of \$377,635 it has been reviewed by the Township Engineer and will include the following streets:

- Bartram Ave. between Front and Second Streets
- Corinthian Ave. between Second St. and Warren Ave.
- Mohican St. between Second Ave. and Third Ave.
- Powhattan Ave. between Fourth and Fifth Ave.
- Warren Ave. between Essington and Corinthian Ave.

Tinicum Township Resolution 2017-03 Adoption of Delaware County Hazard Mitigation Plan

ON A MOTION by Mr. McCarthy, seconded by Mr. Barr, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to adopt Township Resolution 2017-03 adopting the 2016 Delaware County Hazard Mitigation Plan indentifying the potential for both natural and non-natural hazards and recommended mitigation activities to reduce potential losses to said disasters.

Hiring of Part Time Employees

ON A MOTION by Mr. Barr, seconded by Mrs. Edmiston this motion was passed via a 3-0 vote. Commissioners Arthur and McCarthy abstained from voting on this item, as both cited their children were candidates for part time positions. The following part time employees will begin in June 2017 at an hourly rate of \$9.25:

Timothy Connor – Lester

Dennis Arthur – Lester

Joseph Bucci – Lester

Matthew Brady –Lester

Mason Orner –Essington

Megan McCarthy –Essington

Advertisement of Tinicum Township Ordinance 2017-900 Handicapped Parking Resolution

On A Motion by Mr. McCarthy, seconded by Mrs. Edmiston the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to authorize the Township Solicitor to draft and advertise Tinicum Township Ordinance 2017- 900 regulating the installing and designation of Handicap Parking Spaces within the Township.

Land Lease for Township Property at 2nd St. at Delaware River

On A Motion by Mr. Barr, seconded by Mr. McCarthy, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to enter into a Land Lease Agreement with 2nd Street Parking Associates, LLC for the Township Property located at 2nd Street and the Delaware River for the purpose of establishing a paid parking facility. Said lease will be for a period of not less than 25 years at a rental rate of \$120,000 per year plus the associated Parking and Real Estate Taxes and be contingent upon the review and recommendation of the Township Solicitor.

Extension of Time for Land Development Application Of Keystone Properties

On A Motion by Mr. Arthur, seconded by Mr. Barr, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to approve an extension of time by which the Board would need to vote on the Land Development Application of Keystone Properties until August 15th, 2017. This Application involves the construction of Keystone Properties' 4th office building, parking deck, and associated amenities.

Code Enforcement Report – April 2017

April: The Code Enforcement Officer Received:

20 Certificates of Occupancies for a total of **\$2,925.00**

28 Building Permits for a total of **\$70,628.00**

COMMITTEE REPORTS

POLICE, FIRE, AND BUILDINGS

Patrick K. McCarthy, Chairman

POLICE REPORT – April 2017

Township Fines: **\$8,928.56**. Of that amount, a total of **\$495.00** was Parking Tickets.

The department handled **650** incidents and made **37** criminal arrests.

33 of those criminal arrests were adults

4 of those criminal arrests were juveniles.

4 of the juveniles was handled within the Department and Released

0 animals were taken into custody

FIRE COMPANY REPORTS:

Fire Company Report –April 2017

No Report This Month

FIRE MARSHALL REPORT – April 2017

6 Building Fire Protection System Plan Reviews.

2 Fire Alarm Acceptance Tests

1 Automatic Fire Sprinkler Acceptance System Test

3 Follow up Fire Prevention Inspections

2 Responses on request of the fire company:

- 1. #2 Scott Plaza for Fumes**
- 2. Quality Inn Clothes Dryer Vents**
- 3.**

4 Meetings

- 1. Expansion of the ASIG Airport Jet Fuel Tank Farm**
- 2. Airport Terminal Fire Alarm System Upgrade**
- 3. Yacht Stock Event**
- 4. Delaware County Fire Marshals' Meeting**

Training

- 1. Attended a Pennsylvania Construction Code Academy class on updated fire alarm requirements.**

Reviewed the current Township ordinance for required sprinkler and alarm testing in Hotels. Working on an amendment to bring the ordinance in synchronization with the fire code.

Raymond Lanabaugh

Fire Marshal

Assistant Code Enforcement

PUBLIC WORKS, HIGHWAYS, AND RAILROADS

Lisa Edmiston, Chairman

Public Works – April, 2017

Trash removal for the month of April 2017:

1. Opened tide gates April 1st- April 6th everyday
2. Serviced all lawn mowers in house
3. Cleaned all storm drains & ditches
4. Weed killed all ball fields
5. Mulched & planted flowers at the firehouse & all beautification areas thru the Township
6. Trash Removal for the month of April 2017:
 - Regular trash – 173.91 tons
 - Heavy trash – 16.92 tons
 - Recyclables – 19.98 tons
 - White goods – 7 pcs.

Respectfully Submitted,
Walter E. Lee, Superintendent
Highway Department

SANITATION

Dennis R. Arthur, Chairman

Tinicum Township Wastewater Treatment

Monthly Report for April 2017

Total: 38,428,000 gallons

Average: 1.281 GPD

Total Sludge: 234,817 gallons

Total Methane Gas: 177,568 cubic feet

Average cu ft

Sludge Hauled: 68,700 gals % solids 3.14%

Sewer Complaint:

NONE

Equipment Repairs:

04/2017 Cominuter sent out for repairs, chain link jam in cutters

04/2017 Power failure on Peco Seville 135 circuit, which put Ramada Inn, Holiday Inn station to go down. McGovern hauled sewage for about 27 hours. Rebuilt control panel and replaced both motors

04/2017 Replaced all belts on draft tube mixer

Operation Problems:

04/2017 Main sludge line clogged in plant, clogged with rags

04/2017 Need to install generator at Holiday Inn station, in case of another power failure

Miscellaneous items:

03/2016 Serviced all police vehicles that had to be serviced

Pa one call mark outs for installation of water mains

Robert J. Bernauer

HEALTH AND RECREATION

Pat Barr, Chairman

Board of Health / Recreation - March, 2017

Mr. Barr reported that the flower planting project that was scheduled for Saturday, May 13 was cancelled because of rain. The new date is now Saturday, May 20. Volunteers are welcome.

Mr. Barr stated that the Township's fireworks display is scheduled for Saturday, June 24, in conjunction with the West End Boat Club Yacht Stock and the Corinthian Car Show. The Township Farmer's Market will start on June 14 at Gov Printz Park.

Mr. Barr also called to the public's attention the proposed projects the Township anticipates engaging in that were displayed on easels around the meeting room. Mr. Barr referenced projects at Manor Field, the Historic Lazaretto, Township Marina and Seaplane Base, improvements to Governor Printz Park, renovation of the Lester Fire House.

Solicitor's Report: Sam Auslander, Esquire

Mr. Auslander reported that he is working on the Handicap Parking Ordinance and will have it ready for the next meeting. Mr. Auslander is also working on finalizing the Colonial Parking Land Development project. Mr. Auslander gave a brief explanation as to why subjects can be discussed under Executive Session. They include items such as legal matters, real estate contracts, collective bargaining issues, personnel matters, and a limited number of other items. Mr. Auslander stated that the Executive Session that Board held after the May Workshop Meeting had to do with real estate negotiations for the proposed parking lot at Second St. and the Delaware River.

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

Mr. James MacCombie was absent from this meeting.

Manager's Report: David D. Schreiber

The Township Manager reported that an advertisement will appear in the June 1 Daily Times for the June 19 Special Public Hearing for Special Use Application of Express Park. The Zoning Hearing Board determined to reject the application of the applicant requesting a Medical Marijuana dispensary. The Hearing Board determined that they would not grant the variances the applicant was seeking in order to locate their business to South Governor Printz Blvd.

The Township Manager thanked PennDOT for holding a public meeting on May 11 on their plans for replacing the bridge on Rt. 420 over the Darby Creek. Commissioner Giancristoforo asked the Board to take a position on PennDOT plan to implement a 'road-diet' on Rt 420, effectively turning southbound 420 into a one lane road from a two lane road. The Board asked that a letter be sent to the Township's elected State Representative and Senator along with PennDOT asking the Department to conduct a test of the one lane proposal prior to actual construction.

Secretary's Correspondence

Ms. Brolley had no report for this month.

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, addressed the members of the public attending the meeting stating he does not agree with the Board calling Mr. Dobi out of order during the January 2017 Board Meeting. Mr. Detwiler also stated he does not believe the traffic light at 420 and 291 is working properly.
2. Mr. Art Perdun, 247 S Gov. Printz Blvd., took exception that none of the capital improvement projects being proposed by the Township were slated for the public library.
3. Mr. Zurdi Dobi, 200 Powhattan Ave., took issue with the Township Manager using the Township Vehicle. Mr. Dobi again stated that he believes the January 2017 minutes are not accurate. Mr. Dobi made some sort of reference to US Senate procedures to calling people out of order. Mr. Dobi expressed his doubts as to the proposed funding of the capital improvement projects displayed at the meeting and proposed for the Township.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

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

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine M. Brolley

Township Secretary

