

16th September 2019 @ 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. Patrick K. McCarthy, President presiding. Commissioner Lisa Edmiston was absent from this meeting.

C. Patrick Barr, Vice President

Dennis Arthur, Commissioner

Roger Joseph, Commissioner

Sam Auslander, Esq.

James MacCombie, P.E.

David Schreiber, Manager

Elaine M. Brolley, Secretary

President McCarthy 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 Pat Barr, seconded by Dennis Arthur, the minutes of the July 2019 Commissioners Monthly Meeting were accepted and approved, by a unanimous voice vote.

President McCarthy reported that all members had received copies of the July and August 2019 Treasurer's and Secretary's report of Receipts. There being no questions:

On A Motion by Roger Joseph, seconded by Pat Barr, the reports were accepted and approved as submitted, by a unanimous voice vote.

President McCarthy asked for a motion to pay bills for the month of September 2019. The bill list for September 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 September 2019 by a unanimous voice vote.

PUBLIC FORUM

Agenda Item Comments

Mr. Zurdi Dobi, 200 Powhattan Ave.:

Asked Mr. MacCombie to describe the work done for Item #8, Restoration of the Lazaretto Building.

Regarding Item # 15, 2019 Street Repaving, Mr. Dobi asked if the Township was rejecting all bids. The Board responded, Yes.

Mr. Dobi asked the Board to reject Item # 16, Letter of Intent to Acquire Property at 101 Taylor Avenue, stating there was no need for the Township to acquire the property. Mr. Dobi asked what the amount of fees was from rental events at the park. The Board responded, roughly \$2,000.

Mr. Dobi asked for a report on the civil lawsuit, Bartol v. Tincum Township, filed in 2017.

Mr. Dobi asked the Board to terminate the Township Manager.

Mr. Art Perdun, 247 South Governor Printz Blvd., asked the Board not to vote in favor of Item 16, Letter of Intent to Acquire Property at 101 Taylor Avenue, stating that funds intended for this purchase should be used to make ADA improvements at the Tincum Library.

Mr. Charles Monteith, 546 Jansen Ave., asked the Board what the intended purpose is of the property the Board is proposing to acquire and asked if a restaurant is a possibility. The Board responded that this is a possibility.

ADMINISTRATION, LAW, ORDINANCE, PUBLIC SAFETY & FINANCE

Patrick K. McCarthy, Chairman

2020 Minimum Municipal Obligations for the Township's Police and Non Uniform Pension Plans

The Secretary read the Minimum Municipal Obligations

ON A MOTION by Mr. Barr, seconded by Mr. Joseph, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to adopt the Township's 2020 Minimum Municipal Obligations for the Township's Police and Non Uniform Pension Plans in the amounts of \$497,372 and \$8,055 respectively.

Release # 29 to Wu & Associates for work completed on the Restoration of the Lazaretto Building

Prior to voting, Mr. MacCombie mentioned several items that this release covered that are included in the contractor's invoice, including cleaning of the building, user training, steel fabrication, carpeting, signage, reduction in retainage, and other items.

ON A MOTION by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Barr, the Board voted three to one to approve Release #29 in the amount of \$470,752 to Wu & Associates for the work to date on the Restoration of the Lazaretto Building. Said release has been reviewed and recommended for approval by the Project Architect and Township Engineer. Mr. Joseph, Aye. Mr. Barr, Aye. Mr. Arthur, Nay, Mr. McCarthy, Aye.

Adoption of Ordinance 2019-906 – Stop Signs

ON A MOTION by Mr. Barr, seconded by Mr. Arthur, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to adopt Ordinance 2019-906 providing for the erection of Stop Signs on Second Street in Essington at the intersections of Taylor Avenue and Corinthian Avenue.

Extension of Time for the Land Development Application of Michael Saltis of Tidal Water Properties, Poulson Avenue

ON A MOTION by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Barr, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to approve the applicants request for a time extension by which the Board must consider Michael Saltis' Tidal Waters Properties land development application. Said land development application is to construct a warehouse on Poulson Ave with related parking and other site features on currently vacant lots. The extension shall be until December 31, 2019.

Extension of Time for the Land Development Application of the enterprise known as “The Four Individuals” also known as “Park and Jet” also known as “The Clarion Hotel” at 76 Industrial Highway

ON A MOTION by Mr. Barr, seconded by Mr. Arthur, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to approve the applicants request for a time extension by which the Board must consider their land development application. Said land development application is to expand the airport parking facility at the address noted above. The extension shall be for a period of 6 months until March 31, 2020.

Extension of Time for the Land Development Application of Castleway Industries at the Airport Business Complex

ON A MOTION by Mr. Arthur, seconded by Mr. Joseph, the Board voted to approve the applicants request for a time extension by which the Board must consider Castleway Industries land development application. Said land development application is to construct a 98,000 of warehouse in the vicinity of the existing Federal Express building. The extension shall until December 31, 2019.

Crossing Guard Rate

ON A MOTION by Mr. Arthur, seconded by Mr. Barr, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to increase the hourly rate of Township Crossing Guards from \$12.50 an hour to \$13.00 per hour.

Hiring of Crossing Guards, Margaret McGroarty, Debbie Jones & Kyle VanDeWyngaerde

ON A MOTION by Mr. Arthur, seconded by Mr. Joseph, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to hire Margaret McGroarty, Debbie Jones and Kyle VanDeWyngaerde as alternate crossing guards at a rate of \$13.00 per hour.

2019 Street Repaving

ON A MOTION by Mr. Barr, seconded by Mr. Arthur, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to reject and all bids received in July 2019 pertaining to the Township’s 2019 street repaving project. After a review of the 4 bids received, it was determined that as a result of a mathematical error by one bidder and the inability of another to comply with the Township’s Responsible Contractor Ordinance, bids received in July will be rejected.

Letter of Intent to Acquire Property at 101 Taylor Avenue

ON A MOTION by Mr. Barr, seconded by Mr. Joseph, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to enter into Letter of Intent to acquire certain property at 101 Taylor Avenue which consists of approximately .380 acres of submerged lands (Lot 3) and proposed Lot 2 consisting of approximately 2.8 acres on the westerly side of the property. The proposed acquisition price of Lot 2 is \$750,000. The cost of Lot 3 is to be determined by a qualified appraiser and is proposed to be covered by available Grant funds, if any.

Advertisement of 2019 Budget Workshop Dates

ON A MOTION by Mr. Arthur, seconded by Mr. Barr, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to instruct the Township Manager to advertise the following dates for the 2020 Budget Workshop Meeting: Wednesday, November 13 at 6:30 pm and Wednesday November 20 at 6:30 pm.

Acknowledgement of Gift from New Sweden Company's

ON A MOTION by Mr. Barr, seconded by Mr. Joseph, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to acknowledge and accept all right, title and interest in and to the fully constructed Swedish Farmstead Cabin by Gift of the New Sweden Company located in Governor Printz Park.

Release #13 to Apostle Construction, Inc for Improvements at Governor Printz Park

ON A MOTION by Mr. Barr, seconded by Mr. Joseph, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to approve the final release, Release # 13 in the amount of \$46,494 to Apostle Construction, Inc. for the work to date on the construction at Governor Printz Park. Said release has been reviewed for approval by the Township Engineer's Office.

Code Enforcement Report – July & August 2019: Roger Joseph, Chairman

July & August 2019: The Code Enforcement Officer Issued:

83 Certificates of Occupancies for a total of **\$17,125.00**

41 Building Permits for a total of **\$33,246.50**

COMMITTEE REPORTS

POLICE, FIRE, AND BUILDINGS

Patrick K. McCarthy, Chairman

POLICE REPORT – July 2019

Township Fines: **\$3,397.34**. Of that amount, a total of **\$786.50** were Parking Tickets.
The department handled **540** incidents and made **23** criminal arrests
21 of those criminal arrests were adults
2 of those criminal arrests were juveniles. Out of those juveniles
2 of the juveniles were handled within the Department and Released.
0 animals were taken into custody

POLICE REPORT – August 2019

Township Fines: **\$3,366.51**. Of that amount, a total of **\$210.00** were Parking Tickets.
The department handled **621** incidents and made **26** criminal arrests
23 of those criminal arrests were adults
3 of those criminal arrests were juveniles. Out of those juveniles
3 of the juveniles were handled within the Department and Released.
0 animals were taken into custody

FIRE COMPANY REPORTS:

Fire Company Report – July 2019

Total Calls (39)

Fire, Other – 1

Building Fire – 4

Vehicle Fire – 3

Trash Fire – 1

Assist EMS – 3

Body Recovery – 1

Accident w/Injuries – 6

Accident w/Entrapment – 3

Water Rescue – 2

Gas Leak – 1

Fuel Spill – 1

CO Alarm – 2

Wires – 1

AFA – 10

Average # of responding personnel (7)

Total time in service for July (59.39)

Total time in service January – July (359.20)

Total calls January – July (286)

Fire Company Report – August 2019

Total Calls (35)

Building Fire – 6

Vehicle Fire – 1

Investigation – 1

MVA – 12

Gas Leak – 1

CO Alarm – 3

Wires – 1

AFA – 10

Average # of responding personnel (6)

Total time in service for August (33.80)

Total time in service January – August (393.00)

Total calls January – August (321)

Respectfully Submitted,

Chief Michael Golden

T.T.F.C.

FIRE MARSHALL REPORT – July and August 2019

Fire Marshal Report July 2019

Mr. McCarthy:

The following report is submitted for your review:

Performed one commercial kitchen hood fire suppression system plan review (PHL Terminal 'A' West).

Performed one fire alarm system plan review (International Plaza I).

Performed two fire sprinkler plan reviews (International Plaza I & PHL Terminal 'A' West).

Witnessed & Approved a fire sprinkler system hydrostatic test (PHL Fuel Oil Tank Farm).

Two investigations for damage to fire alarm systems done by hotel guests (Wyndham & Clarion Hotels). This appears to be an increasing problem in the hotels.

Authored a draft warning letter to all the hotels in reference to damage done to fire protection systems by guests.

Released the edited revision of the fire investigation report for the oxygen enriched atmosphere fire at 327 Erickson Avenue.

As a Board Member, attended the monthly Delaware County Board of Fire and Life Safety Meeting.

Raymond W. Lonabaugh, CFPS

Fire Marshal

Fire Marshal's Report

August 2019

Mr. McCarthy:

The following report is submitted for your review:

PHL Terminal 'A' West, Space Aw-5: Fire alarm plan and kitchen hood fan plan review.

PHL Airport Fuel Oil Tank Farm: Temporary fire hydrant location plan review on site.

PHL Airport Fuel Oil Tank Farm: Temporary fire hydrant relocation installation inspection and provided proper installation instructions for additional fire hydrants that will be installed.

Renaissance Hotel: 12th and 11th floors, fire alarm rough-in inspection.

Renaissance Hotel: 12th Floor final fire alarm inspection and test and fire sprinkler installation inspection.

Attended a PHL Terminal 'A' West fire sprinkler audit report and fire alarm meeting.

Attended an Underwriters Laboratories' Fire Alarm Town Hall Presentation at the Berks County/City of Reading Fire Academy.

Attended the Pennsylvania Fire & Emergency Services Institute, State Wide Advisory Board Meeting in Harrisburg.

As a Board Member, attended the monthly Delaware County Board of Fire and Life Safety Meeting.

Met with PFD Deputy Chief Corrigan on the proposal to relocation and out of service A320 Air Craft to the Airport Rescue and Fire Training Facility as a non-live fire training prop.

Raymond W. Lonabaugh, CFPS

Fire Marshall

PUBLIC WORKS, HIGHWAYS, AND RAILROADS

Lisa Edmiston, Chairman

Public Works – July & August, 2019

Highway Dep't. Monthly report – July 2019

1. Opened tide gate = July 12, July 15, & July 16
2. Fixed sinkhole at 445 Manhattan Ave.
3. Fixed sinkhole at 4th & Seneca Sts.

4. Cleaned storm drains throughout town
5. Opened tide gates again – July 19, July 22, & July 23
6. **Trash removal for the month of July 2019:**
 - Regular trash – 182.52 tons
 - Heavy Trash – 13.76 tons
 - Recyclables – 21.28 tons

Highway Dep't. Monthly Report – August 2019

1. Tree & brush removed Saude & Delaware Aves.
2. Removed 4 trees from Westinghouse Grove
3. Used 2 tons of cold patch
4. Lines painted for school
5. Cleaned tide gate at Airport
6. Removed tree from house on Seneca St.
7. **Trash Removal for the month of August 2019:**
 - Regular trash – 188.89 tons
 - Heavy trash – 14.41 tons
 - Recyclables – 16.91 tons

Respectfully Submitted,
Walter E. Lee, Superintendent
Highway Department

SANITATION
Dennis R. Arthur, Chairman

Tinicum Township Wastewater Treatment

Monthly Report for July 2019

Total flow 40,640,000 gals Average 1,311,000 gals

Total sludge hauled 39,600 gals Percent Solids 2.7 %

Methane Gas 118,932 cu ft Average 3,964 cu ft

Sewer Complaints

7/16/2019 440 Iroquois Street sewer backed has to be jet clean and manhole cannot open at curb.

Equipment Repairs

7/5/2019 All chlorine equipment serviced

7/2019 Vehicle lift blew a piston, Mr. Schreiber authorize to get new one installed.

7/10/2019 ASIS installed new vehicle lift

7/15/2019 AC Shulties installed the re-built Draft Tube mixer in primary digester. Digester cover sunk due to bolt on draft mixer not being tightened

7/19/2019 Install re-built Dimminutor at plant station

OPERATIONAL problems:

7/2019 KBX pumped rags out of wet well at Manor station

Miscellaneous Items

7/2019 Service all PD and plant automotive equipment at plant

7/30/2019 Notified by Penn Dot of cave in at end of storm sewer from Jansen Avenue where it goes into Long Hook Creek. Plant outfall in this area.

Herb MacCombie was notified.

Robert J Bernauer

Monthly Report August, 2019

Total flow 31,148,000 -gals Average 1,065,000 gals

Total sludge hauled 51,900 - gals Percent Solids 3.9 %

Methane Gas 87,261 cu ft Average 2,815 cu ft

Sewer Complaints

8/7/19 Precession Sewer Inc. jet clean & TV Jansen Alley 600 block

8/12/2019 Marked outfall line with name at cave in on North side of I95

8/23/2019 Precision Sewer Inc. cleaned all dead-end streets in Essington

Operation:

8/20129 All pumping stations serviced

Equipment repairs

8/19 Draft tube mixer completely re-built

8/20/19 Menolds made new rings for top of magnesium barrels

8/22/2019 Penn Power replaced rocker switch on generator 4th Ave.

8/28/2019 Meter Guy (Gavin) service chlorine analyzer

Miscellaneous Items

8/19 Service all PD and plant automotive equipment at plant

8/14/2019 All waste oil from plant and Highway department hauled

Note:

Sewer Jansen Ave. alley, 600 block needs repairs

Sewer from North Governor Printz to Seneca need leak re-paired at cave-in

Employee's checking station was asked by Wydham Hotel, when fence is going to be put up around generator., Employees said to see Municipal Building, Mr. MacCombie

Robert J Bernauer

HEALTH AND RECREATION

Pat Barr, Chairman

Board of Health / Recreation - July & August, 2019

Mr. Barr reported that the soccer season was under way. He stated that basketball signups are on the website and the fee is \$50.00 to cover the refs' fees. Mr. Barr reported that the last two Farmer's Markets would be Wednesday Sept. the 18th and October 2nd. Mr. Barr also reported that the annual Health and Community Day is November 30th at Governor Printz Park.

Solicitor's Report: Sam Auslander, Esquire

Mr. Auslander reported that he has provided as much information to Mr. Dobi on the Bartol v. Tincum civil suit as Mr. Auslander has available. If Mr. Dobi is in need of any additional information he should consult the docket numbers in the respective court.

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

Mr. MacCombie said he had nothing further to report.

Manager's Report: David D. Schreiber

The Township Manager reported that Delaware County Planning has advised that PennDOT has notified them that PennDOT will be paving Second Street from Fourth Avenue to Wanamaker and up Wanamaker to Gov Printz Blvd sometime in 2020. PennDOT is considering stripping these two areas for a bicycle trail.

Certificate of Occupancy inspections for the Lazaretto Building are being done to complete the construction of the building.

An ADA assessment for the Tincum Library has been submitted to the Board by the Township Engineer and the Board will evaluate it accordingly.

The Township's DCED audit has been submitted to DCED. The Public Works Department has been asked to obtain a replacement for the slide at Manor Park Tot Lot.

Township Parking regulations are being reviewed in an attempt to made them more uniform.

Secretary's Correspondence

Ms. Brolley stated there was none this month.

OTHER BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT OF THE BUSINESS PORTION OF MEETING

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

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Public Comment:

1. Mr. Charles Monteith of 546 Jansen Avenue, asked the Board to terminate the Township Manager as Mr. Monteith believes he has been treated unfairly by the Manager.
2. Mr. Zurdi Dobi of 200 Powhattan Avenue asked the Board if the Township has obtained an appraisal for the property at 101 Taylor Avenue. Mr. Dobi presented various photos of graffiti to the Board and offered them to the Township. The Commissioners stated they would provide them to the police. Regarding the Wu vs. Tincum lawsuit, Mr. Dobi asked if the injunction against Mr. MacCombie asking as the arbitrator was still in place. Mr. Dobi asked Mr. McCarthy to address aspects of the Bartol v. Tincum Township case.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

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

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine M. Brolley

Township Secretary

