

19th September 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. Commissioner, Lisa Edmiston was absent from the meeting.

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

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 July 2016 Commissioners Monthly Meeting and the August 2016 Special Public Meeting were accepted and approved, by a unanimous voice vote.

President Giancristoforo reported that all members had received copies of the July and August 2016 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 September 2016. 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 2016 by a unanimous voice vote.

PUBLIC FORUM

Agenda Item Comments

Mr. Dobi Zurdi, 200 Powhattan Avenue: Referencing the July 2016 Agenda, Item #9, Adoption of the Local Services Tax, stated that the Board should not have adopted said ordinance since, in Mr. Dobi's opinion, it was not advertised and adopted in the timeframe required by law.

Regarding Item #9 in the September 2016 agenda, Adoption of Ordinance 2016-882 Non Electoral Debt, Mr. Dobi stated that the Lazaretto Project is approximately \$8 million, the Board had previously discussed borrowing \$10 million, but the advertisement for this Ordinance was in the amount of up to \$12 million. Mr. Dobi objected to the discrepancies.

Regarding Item # 15, Promotion of Part Time employee to Full Time, Mr. Dobi asked if this is for a secretarial position. The Board responded, Yes.

Regarding Item # 18, Castleway Properties Tax Assessment Appeal, Mr. Dobi asked if this was the same appeal that was filed in December 2015. Mr. Auslander responded that there is only one appeal pending for Castleway Properties.

ADMINISTRATION, LAW, ORDINANCE, PUBLIC SAFETY & FINANCE

Thomas J. Giancristoforo Jr., Chairman

Land Development Application from Century Collision 355 and 402 N. Governor Printz Blvd.

ON A MOTION by Mr. Barr, seconded by Mr. McCarthy, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to approve Resolution 2016 - 08 for the Land Development Application submitted on behalf of Mr. Robert Dittert of Century Collision Repair to construct a 1,350 square foot addition to their existing building at 355 North Gov Printz Blvd and construct a parking lot on the vacant parcel known as 402 North Gov Printz Blvd. contingent on the terms and conditions set forth in the resolution and the Township Engineer letter dated September 16, 2016.

Land Development Application of the City of Philadelphia and the Philadelphia International Airport.

ON A MOTION by Mr. McCarthy, seconded by Mr. Barr, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to approve Resolution 2016 - 09 for the Land Development Application from the City of Philadelphia and the Philadelphia International Airport for improvements to the airport's de-icing facility. Said improvements include construction of a Maintenance and Crew Building of approximately 11,500 square feet and associated storm water improvements, contingent on the terms and conditions set forth in the resolution including, the applicant meeting the criteria noted in the Township Engineer's letter of September 9, 2016. The Township will accept a voluntary contribution of \$43,277.70 for relief from the stormwater ordinance requirements.

Adoption of Ordinance 2016-882 Authorizing the Approval of Non Electoral Debt

ON A MOTION by Mr. Arthur, seconded by Mr. Barr, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to Adopt Ordinance 2016-882 authorizing the incurring of nonelectoral debt by the Township pursuant to the Pennsylvania Local Government Unit Debt Act. The Ordinance will authorize the Township of Tincum to issue general Obligation Bonds, Series of 2016, the proceeds of which are expected to be used to pay the costs of the reconstruction and renovation of the Historic Lazaretto Building and other capital projects in the Township. Said ordinance was duly advertised on August 26, 2016 pursuant to a Special Public Meeting advertised on August 10, 2016 and held on August 17, 2016

East Coast Greenway Trail – Construction Release #2 and #3

ON A MOTION by Mr. McCarthy, seconded by Mr. Barr, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to approve Construction Release #2 and #3 to JMC Contracting for the work to date on the East Coast Greenway Trail. Release #2 is for \$124,041.12 and Release #3 is for \$204,164.53. Both releases have been reviewed and approved by the PennDOT approved Construction Inspection firm of Pennoni & Associates.

2017 Minimum Municipal Obligations for the Township's Police and Non Uniform Pension Plans

President Giancristoforo asked the Secretary to please read the Financial Requirement of the Township's Minimum Municipal Obligation Budget for 2017.

ON A MOTION by Mr. Arthur, seconded by Mr. McCarthy, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to adopt the Township's 2017 Minimum Municipal Obligations for the Township's Police and Non Uniform Pension Plans in the amounts of \$328,542 and \$0 respectively.

Repairs to the Tincum Township Public Works Department Building

ON A MOTION by Mr. Arthur, seconded by Mr. McCarthy, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to instruct the Township Engineer to prepare a Request for Proposal for repairs needed to the roof of the Public Works Department Building.

Sale of retired police vehicles

ON A MOTION by Mr. McCarthy, seconded by Mr. Barr, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to advertise a Request for Offers for the retired 2006 Ford Expedition police vehicle with the VIN ending in 97550 and the 2003 Ford Crown Victoria with the VIN ending in 204623 and to purchase two replacement vehicles at a cost of approximately \$29,000 each.

Approval of Site Access Agreement with City of Philadelphia (Tree Trimming) - #20080-0317

Prior to voting on this issue, Mr. Auslander provided a brief explanation, stating that the FAA requires trees over a certain height to be trimmed and said agreement is contingent upon the Airport providing Insurance, Indemnification, and cleaning up any debris from the activity.

ON A MOTION by Mr. Barr, seconded by Mr. McCarthy, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to execute a Site Access Agreement with the City of Philadelphia permitting entry upon Tincum Township property for the purpose of performing the tree trimming of a number of trees obstructing Philadelphia International Airport operations.

Appointment of Full Time Employee – Diane Shannon

ON A MOTION by Mr. McCarthy, seconded by Mr. Arthur, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to appoint current part time employee Diane Shannon to full time status at an hourly rate of \$15 retroactive to August 1, 2016.

Repairs to Sea Wall at Governor Printz Park

ON A MOTION by Mr. Barr, seconded by Mr. McCarthy, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to instruct the Township Engineer to prepare Requests for Proposals to repair the sea wall at Governor Printz Park.

Extension of time for Castleway Properties Subdivision Application (#20080-0439)

ON A MOTION by Mr. Barr, seconded by Mr. McCarthy, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to accept Castleway Properties, Inc.'s extension for the Board of Commissioners to consider their pending application for the subdivision of the property at the Airport Business Complex.

Stipulation Agreement for Tax Assessment Appeal of Castleway Properties (#20080-0404)

Prior to voting on this motion, Mr. Auslander responded to a question about the "contaminated dirt" on the property. Mr. Auslander stated that Castleway's attorney has informed the Township that the dirt in question left from the development of the Federal Express building can be reused on the Castleway site since the dirt originated from the site. Castleway intends to move forward with a new Land Development Application. The new land development will use the dirt in question during the project.

ON A MOTION by Mr. Barr, seconded by Mr. McCarthy, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to authorize the Solicitor for Tinicum Township to execute a Stipulation resolving the Tax Assessment Appeal of Castleway Properties, Inc. for the property located at Governor Printz Boulevard, No. 45-00-00935-20 maintaining the Assessment for Tax Years 2016 through 2018 at \$15,195,790.00.

Code Enforcement Report – July & August 2016

July: The Code Enforcement Officer Issued:

10 Certificates of Occupancies for a total of **\$1,275.00**

27 Building Permits for a total of **\$25,234.00**

August: The Code Enforcement Officer Issued:

11 Certificates of Occupancies for a total of **\$1,875.00**

16 Building Permits for a total of **\$2,445.00**

COMMITTEE REPORTS

POLICE, FIRE, AND BUILDINGS

Patrick K. McCarthy, Chairman

POLICE REPORT – July 2016

Township Fines: **\$4,279.80**. Of that amount, a total of **\$195.00** was Parking Tickets.

The department handled **660** incidents and made **52** criminal arrests.

47 of those criminal arrests were adults

5 of those criminal arrests were juveniles.

5 of the juveniles was handled within the Department and Released

0 animals were taken into custody

POLICE REPORT – August 2016

Township Fines: \$5,053.91. Of that amount, a total of \$580.00 was Parking Tickets.

The department handled 599 incidents and made 39 criminal arrests.

34 of those criminal arrests were adults

5 of those criminal arrests were juveniles.

5 of the juveniles was handled within the Department and Released

0 animals were taken into custody

FIRE COMPANY REPORTS:

Fire Company Report – August 2016

No Report

Total Incidents – 0

Average Turnout Per Incident – 0

Total time in service – 00:00:00 Overall avg. Time: 00:00:00

Respectfully Submitted,

Chief Jonathan Buschmeier

T.T.F.C.

FIRE MARSHALL REPORT – July and August 2016

Fire Marshal Report July 2016

Mr. McCarthy:

The following report is submitted for your review:

July 18th & 19th: Fire Investigation at the Tincum Elementary School Room 107.

July 22nd Reviewed and commented on two fire sprinkler plan reviews, 103-16 and 104-16.

July 22nd Followed up with an email on a fire alarm pull box problem at 410 S Governor Printz Boulevard.

Raymond W. Lonabaugh, CFPS

Fire Marshal

Fire Marshal's Report

August 2016

Mr. McCarthy:

The following report is submitted for your review:

8/1 Meeting for the Airport Terminal A Fire Alarm Panel Upgrade.

8/3 Inspection of the La Quinta Hotel 3rd floor and lobby fire sprinkler additions.

8/3 Inspection of the fire alarm pull box repair at 410 S Governor Printz Boulevard, Building 'A'.

8/3 Returned a call to a Mr. Kerwin Kalp 412-480-4125 in reference to electrical load in his apartment.

8/4 Final inspection of the sprinkler relocations at 300 Steven's Drive.

8/4 Inspection of the La Quinta Hotel 2nd floor fire sprinkler additions.

8/18 Reviewed BP-116-2016 300 Stevens Drive Proposed Horn Strobe installations.

8/18 Visited and Spoke to the Manager of the Holiday Inn Express about a knocked down fire hydrant.

8/18 Spoke to OSHA and Vic Pempenella in reference to the April Carbon Monoxide Incident at #2 Scott Plaza.

8/27 Responded to FedEx Ground #1 Tincum Island Road for a fire sprinkler activation caused by large package on conveyor.

8/29 Fire Alarm Acceptance Test & Inspection PHL Cargo City Bldg C-8. – Need an additional EXIT Directional sign on the tarmac side of the building. Need additional strobe/audible devices (2) in new office and where a wall replaced a counter. Need the armored cover on the sprinkler main valve tamper switch repaired. Requested two copies of the as-built drawings.

Raymond W. Lonabaugh, CFPS

Fire Marshal

PUBLIC WORKS, HIGHWAYS, AND RAILROADS

Lisa Edmiston, Chairman

Public Works – July & August, 2016

July & August 2016

No report this month

Respectfully Submitted,
Walter E. Lee, Superintendent
Highway Department

SANITATION

Dennis R. Arthur, Chairman

Tincum Township Wastewater Treatment

Monthly Report for July 2016

Total: 22,343,000 gallons

Average: .721 gallons

Total Sludge: 2,190,583 gallons

Total Methane Gas: 147,678 cubic feet

Average cu ft

Sludge Hauled: 51,000 gals % solids 3.0

Sewer Complaint:

07/2016 None

Equipment Repairs:

07/2016 Change out batteries in most of UPS units

07/2016 Menolds installed unit Bernauer design for de-chlorination

07/2016 Able Computer repaired problem with computers at plant

Operation Problems:

07/2016 Replaced top of wet well at Ramada Pumping Station

07/2016 Algae growing like mad at plant in tanks

Miscellaneous items:

07/2016 Serviced all police vehicles that had to be serviced

Monthly Report for August 2016

Total : 21,452,000 million gallons

Average: .775 GPD

Total Sludge: 261,203 thousand gallons

Total Methane Gas: 136,367 thousand cubic feet

Sludge Hauled: 51,000 thousand gals 3.3% solids

Sewer Complaint:

08/2016 300 Block Seneca North side rags

08/2016 Sewage on Mr. Grecco property & Porter property coming from rear house 410 3rd Street, line has to broke somewhere on private property

08/2016 Jet clean line to Comfort Inn station, grease problem

Equipment Repairs:

08/2016 Took rags out of impeller at ABC # 1

08/2016 Grit chamber air lift all rod below water level, took equipment out to Stephen's Machine Shop for rebuilding.

Operation Problems:

08/2016 Heat causing problems to controls at Front & Jansen station. All controls out, had to get big fan to cool motors down in order to operate.

Miscellaneous Items:

08/2016 Service all police vehicles

Robert J. Bernauer

HEALTH AND RECREATION

Pat Barr, Chairman

Board of Health / Recreation - July & August, 2016

Mr. Barr reported that fall soccer is under way. Regarding the Board of Health, Mr. Barr reported that inspections of the Philly Diner and Denny's Restaurant must address some issues in the very near future to ensure their license is renewed. Mr. Barr also reported that the Township Community Day will be held on October 15 (rain date October 16) with various activities to be held, including a flea market sponsored by Town Talk newspaper.

Solicitor's Report: Sam Auslander, Esquire

Mr. Auslander had no further report.

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

Mr. James MacCombie reported that a formal Notice to Proceed to Wu and Associates for the Lazaretto Building would be forthcoming noting a date of October 17, 2016.

Manager's Report: David D. Schreiber

The Township Manager reported that PennDOT has begun preliminary plans for reconstruction of the bridge over Darby Creek on Rt. 420. Construction would not begin until Spring 2019 at the earliest. The initial plan is to maintain 2 Northbound and 1 Southbound lane at all times during construction. The Township will soon be able to accept Credit Cards as a form of payment to the Township for various items. The Townships 2016 resurfacing projects started the week of September 19 and will last for several weeks. Lighting for the Eastcoast Greenway Trail has been ordered and is expected in October.

Secretary's Correspondence

Ms. Brolley read a letter from Jean Goerlach regarding three separate scrapbooking events.

ON A MOTION by Mr. Barr, seconded by Mr. McCarthy the Board voted unanimously to approve the use of the Tinicum Township Community Room on Saturday, January 21, 2017, Saturday, March 18, 2017, and Saturday, May 6, 2017 for their annual scrapbooking fundraiser. All events are from 9:00 AM 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, asked about the brass plaque that was located at the tennis courts in Westinghouse Grove. The Board responded that the Township has had a couple of cement workers look at the work and neither one has been able to commit to the work yet. Mr. McCarthy stated he would ask one of them again. Mr. Detwiler was disappointed that no ceremony was held to commemorate September 11, 2001. Mr. Detwiler asked the Board to consider putting a Gazebo in Westinghouse Grove. Mr. Detwiler went on to state that in his opinion the Township does not provide the public enough information regarding police matters, and that police issues are rarely noted in the newspaper.
2. Mr. Art Perdun, 247 S. Governor Printz Blvd., stated he would not tolerate hardened criminals in town, citing drug paraphernalia he states he finds on Township streets. Mr. Perdun asked how long the SAFER grant is intended to last. The Board responded, two years. Mr. Perdun asked to have an AED unit installed at the Library. Mr. Perdun asked if the Board could condemn the former McDonalds Restaurant property.
3. Mr. Anthony Beaumont, 306 Seminole Street, asked how the dirt at Castleway Properties was treated. Mr. MacCombie responded that the issue of the dirt was in the hands of the DEP as they have jurisdiction over such matters.
4. Mr. Zurdi Dobi, 200 Powhattan Avenue, asked if the payment from the Airport Settlement Agreement has been received and distributed among the three parties. The Board responded, Yes. Mr. Dobi that stated that the Board should “return” what he feels is an overpayment to the Township. Mr. Dobi complained that the August 25 Planning Commission meeting was not held and no notice was provided. Mr. Dobi stated that with the receipt of the SAFER grant, the Township should repeal the Local Services Tax passed in July 2016. Mr. Dobi claims this Ordinance was passed illegally. Mr. Dobi referred to an article in the August 13, 2016 Daily Times, citing a quote by a Township resident regarding the death of three people from drug overdoses. Mr. Dobi complained that no mention of this was given at the Board meeting or anywhere else and asked the Board if there was a drug problem in town. The Board responded that the Township suffers the same plight regarding drugs as any other town or city in the United States.

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

