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 with Thomas J. Giancristoforo, President presiding:

Dennis Arthur, Vice President Patrick McCarthy, Commissioner C. Patrick Barr, 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

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

Prior to starting with the regular agenda items, the Board of Commissioners presented recognition plaques to several retired and retiring employees and volunteers. Crossing guards Nancy Fee, Ethel (Elaine) Nelson, and Mary Kepler were recognized for all of their years crossing the school children of Tinicum Township. Former Fire Chief Jonathan Buschmeier and form Interboro School District Board Director Paul Eckert were recognized for their volunteer efforts to their respective organizations.

**On A Motion** by Dennis Arthur, seconded by Lisa Edmiston, the minutes of the June 2018 Commissioners Monthly Meeting were accepted and approved, by a unanimous voice vote.

President Giancristoforo reported that all members had received copies of the June 2018 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 July 2018. The bill list for July 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 July 2018 by a unanimous voice vote.

## PUBLIC FORUM

## **Agenda Item Comments**

Mr. Zurdi Dobi commented that he feels his life is in danger coming to theses meeting as a result of incidents occurring on January 17, 2017 and February 21, 2017. Mr. Dobi stated that the secretary never puts the dates of these complaints.

Regarding Item # 7, Release #16 to Wu and Associates, Mr. Zurdi Dobi, 200 Powhattan Ave., asked if the Township Engineer could provide comments on the type of work that was completed. Regarding the Solicitor's Report, Mr. Dobi asked Mr. Auslander to report on litigation that was discussed with the Board and any Executive Sessions that Board may have had. Mr. Dobi also asked Commissioner McCarthy to address an incident Mr. Dobi said took place on June 29 whereby a red SUV was pulled over on Powhattan Avenue. Mr. Dobi also asked for an explanation for Item #12 Special Use Hearing extension. Mr. Dobi asked if there was another Code Officer employed by the Township using a Township vehicle. Regarding Item # 9, Release # 2 to Joao and Bradley for Sanitary Sewer Repairs, Mr. Art Perdun, 247 S. Governor Printz asked about fixing a pothole in the street where the work was done. Regarding Item # 14, Awarding of Bid for 2018 Street Resurfacing, Mr. Perdun asked what streets are being considered. Mr. MacCombie responded, Second Street between East and West Corinthian, Mohican Street between Third Avenue and Fourth Avenue, Fifth Avenue between Powhattan and Rte. 291, Saude Avenue between Third Street and Fourth Street, Third Street between Erickson Avenue and Jansen Avenue, Pontiac Street between Fourth Avenue and the dead End.

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

## Release # 16 to Wu and Associates for Work Completed on the Restoration of the Lazaretto

Prior to the Board voting on this item, Mr. James MacCombie commented that this release included multiple types of masonry work, stairwell work, roofing shingles, cupola work, HVAC installation and other work.

**ON A MOTION** by Mr. McCarthy, seconded by Mrs. Edmiston, the Board voted via roll call vote to approve Release # 16 in the amount of \$447,056.04 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. McCarthy, Aye. Mrs. Edmiston, Aye. Mr. Barr, Aye. Mr. Arthur, Nay. Mr. Giancristoforo, Aye.

## Release # 3 to Apostle Construction, Inc for Improvements at Governor Printz Park

**ON A MOTION** by Mr. Barr, seconded by Mr. McCarthy, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to approve Release # 3 in the amount of \$100,440 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.

## Release #2 to Joao & Bradley for the Sanitary Sewer Replacement on S. Gov Printz Blvd.

**ON A MOTION** by Mr. Arthur, seconded by Mrs. Edmiston, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to approve Release # 2 in the amount of \$192,239.63 to Joao & Bradley Construction of Bethlehem PA. for the work to date on replacement of the Sanitary Sewer line between 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue on S. Gov Printz Blvd. Said release has been reviewed for approval by the Township Engineer's Office.

## Expresspark, Inc. Land Development Final Approval

**ON A MOTION** by Mr. Arthur, seconded by Mrs. Edmiston, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to approve the Land Development Application of Express Park, Inc. extending their parking facility into the I-95 Right of Way. Said approval is subject to and contingent upon the conditions and recommendations outlined in the Township Engineer's letter dated July 7, 2018.

## New Crossing Guard

**ON A MOTION** by Mrs. Edmiston, seconded by Mr. McCarthy, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to appoint Ms. Ida Mae Sinclair of Carre Avenue, Essington, as a School Crossing Guard at the rate of \$12.50 on an as needed basis.

## Special Use Application of 500 Wanamaker Ave Partners LLC

Prior to voting on this item, Mr. Auslander, responding to Mr. Dobi's question, stated that the Zoning Hearing Board is a separate entity from the Board of Commissioners, and as such the Commissioners only vote on the particular use within the Special Use District, but not on the particular variances being sought from the Zoning Hearing Board. The Zoning Hearing Board has approved the requested variances by the applicant. Subsequently, a nearby business filed an appeal of the ZHB's decision in the Delaware County Court of Common Pleas. The extension being considered at this meeting extends the timeframe by which the Commissioners must vote on the use only to September 30, 2018.

**ON A MOTION** by Mr. Arthur, seconded by Mr. Barr, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to approve the extension request of 500 Wanamaker Ave Partners LLC of the time frame by which the Board must render a decision on the developers application to construct a Wawa Food Market with gasoline sales within the Special Use District of Tinicum Township. Said extension by which the Board of Commissioners must render their decision as to the special use request will be until September 30, 2018.

## Appointment to Tinicum Twp. Memorial Library Board of Trustees

**ON A MOTION** by Mr. McCarthy, seconded by Mrs. Edmiston, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to appoint Ms. Donna Kenish to the Tinicum Township Memorial Library Board of Trustees to fulfill the vacancy created by the resignation of Ms. Beverly Simpkins.

## Awarding of Bid for the Township's 2018 Street Resurfacing Project

**ON A MOTION** by Mr. McCarthy, seconded by Mrs. Edmiston, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to award the bid for the Township's 2018 street resurfacing program to Gessler Construction, Co. Inc. Said bid is in the amount of \$438,760.00; it has been reviewed by the Township Engineer and will include the following streets

## International Plaza Reverse Sub-Division

**ON A MOTION** by Mr. Arthur, seconded by Mr. Barr, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to approve the Reverse Sub-Division application of Amerimar International pertaining to the property known as Lots 3 and 4 of International Plaza. Said approval will allow for the applicant to combine Lots 3 and 4 into one parcel to be known as Lot 4 and is subject to the comments of the Township Engineers letter dated June 22, 2018.

## 2018 Ford Pick Up Truck for Wastewater Treatment Plant

**ON A MOTION** by Mr. Arthur, seconded by Mr. Barr, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to purchase a 2018 Ford Pick Up for the Wastewater Treatment Plant via the state's Co-Star Program at an approximate cost of \$40,000.

## <u>Code Enforcement Report – June 2018</u>

June: The Code Enforcement Officer Received:

39 Certificates of Occupancies for a total of \$5,252.00

**<u>28</u>** Building Permits for a total of **<u>\$248,268.00</u>** 

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### POLICE, FIRE, AND BUILDINGS

#### Patrick K. McCarthy, Chairman

#### **POLICE REPORT – June 2018**

Township Fines: **<u>\$7,040.44.</u>** Of that amount, a total of **<u>\$731.00</u>** were Parking Tickets.

The department handled  $\underline{638}$  incidents and made  $\underline{29}$  criminal arrests.

28 of those criminal arrests were adults

**<u>01</u>** of those criminal arrests were juveniles.

01 of the juveniles was handled within the Department and Released

**<u>0</u>** animals were taken into custody

#### FIRE COMPANY REPORTS:

#### Fire Company Report – June 2018

No Report This Month

#### FIRE MARSHALL REPORT – June 2018

Mr. McCarthy:

The following report is submitted for your review:

**Performed:** 

**Three Fire Alarm Acceptance Tests** 

Two passed

**One Failed** 

## Meetings:

Met with Rowe Fire Sprinkler who is the sprinkler contractor that is doing fire sprinkler demolition work in the FedEx Building.

Met with the General Contractor who is doing work on the PHL Terminal A West Entrance.

Met with the PHL Fuel Tank Farm Management and inspected the temporary water supply hose installation that will be used to supply the fire pump while the fire water tank is being replaced.

Attended three weekly meetings on the PHL Terminal A East & West Fire Alarm Panel upgrade and also the upcoming Carbon Monoxide Detection System Upgrade.

Met with UPS Management on the reason the Fire and Carbon Monoxide Alarm System for the new Pilots' Lounge and Sleeping Quarters failed the acceptance test. What was submitted to the Township and reviewed for the permit is not what was installed.

### Attended:

Attended the Monthly Delaware County Board of Fire and Life Safety meeting as a Board Member. At this meeting we also met with the Chairman of the Delaware County Council on the upcoming project to replace the fire training burn building.

Attended the airport employee training class given by Simplex/Grinnell on the new fire alarm system for Terminal A East & West.

Attended and watched over the township fireworks display on June 30th for safety.

## **Educational Sessions Attended:**

One-day class on the code changes for fire sprinkler plan reviews. (Free Class).

One-day class given by Underwriters Laboratories (UL) and the National Institute Standards and Technology (NIST) on basement fires and the testing that has been done. (Free Class).

## National Fire Protection Association Membership – Awarded Life Time Member:

I have been a member of the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) for more than 35 years. I served on several NFPA Standards Technical Committees representing the electrical power industry through the Edison Electrical Institute and also the fire sprinkler industry through the National Fire Sprinkler Association. As such I was made a Life Time Member of the NFPA in June 2018. NO MORE MEMBERSHIP FEES!!!

**Raymond W. Lonabaugh, CFPS** 

**Fire Marshal** 

### PUBLIC WORKS, HIGHWAYS, AND RAILROADS

#### Lisa Edmiston, Chairman

#### Public Works – June, 2018

#### Trash removal for the month of June 2018:

- 1. Trimmed trees in Gov. Printz Park
- 2. Trimmed trees around Log Cabin
- 3. Trimmed trees & cleaned along parade route for 4<sup>th</sup> of July
- 4. Weed killed at curb lines in progress
- 5. Mosquito spraying in progress
- 6. Trash Removal for the month of June 2018
  - Regular trash 172.13 tons
  - Heavy trash 16.63 tons
  - Recyclables 18.53 tons
  - Street Sweepings 16.11 tons
  - White goods 11 pcs.

Respectfully Submitted, Walter E. Lee, Superintendent Highway Department

## SANITATION Dennis R. Arthur, Chairman

#### **Tinicum Township Wastewater Treatment Plant**

#### Monthly Report for June 2018

- Total: 39,946,000 Million Gallons
- Average: 1,232,000 Million Gallons
- Total Sludge: 60,600 Thousand Gallons
- Total Methane Gas: 149,439 Thousand Cubic Feet

Percent Solids: 2.97% Average: 4,981 cubic feet

#### Sewer Complaints

06/18 Received call to check sewer railroad to  $3^{rd}$  Street on Erickson, not ours. Resident stated he had called Town Hall the day before and no one told us at the plant.

06/18 Bernauer notified by Police at 1:00 of sewage coming up out of the ground at 50 Powhattan. This is private property and sewage running into storm sewer along North Governor Printz. Smythe told me he notified Herbie on Thursday. Bernauer call PA DEP and William Collins came out and informed property owner that it has to shut station down, if not DEP will issue order to do so.

#### **Operational Problems**

06/18 None

#### **Equipment Repairs**

06/18 Installed new drive sprockets on secondary settling tank # 1-2.

06/18 All flow meters calibrated by WG Malden, also was told compressor in final sample not working

06/18 ASCO serviced all transfer switches for all generators. Was told the manual transfer part of switch at plant does not work and no parts available to replace it. Transfer switch should be replaced, it's over 30 years old.

#### **Miscellaneous Item**

06/18 Serviced Police vehicles that needed service

Robert J. Bernauer

## HEALTH AND RECREATION

#### Pat Barr, Chairman

#### **Board of Health / Recreation - June, 2018**

Mr. Barr thanked all of the volunteers and those who worked to present the Township's 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks show. Mr. Barr commented that the event was well attended and thanked the Board for their support.

### Solicitor's Report: Sam Auslander, Esquire

Mr. Auslander reported that the Board held an Executive Session on Tuesday after the Workshop meeting regarding litigation involving Golden Point Marina and the Township pertaining to pending code violation issues.

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

Mr. James MacCombie reported that the person Mr. Dobi asked about being an employee of the Township as a Code Official is an employee of MacCombie Engineering. Mr. Sarandos assists with monitoring projects going on at the airport for the Engineer's office on behalf of the Township.

### Manager's Report: David D. Schreiber

The Township Manager reported that letters to delinquent sewer account holders advising them that their water may be shut off within 30 days went out to approximately 24 property owners representing over \$60,000. Aqua's water project to complete a 'loop' within the Township and to provide water service along Second St between Paulson Ave and 4<sup>th</sup> Ave continues. Five fire hydrants are included in this project that will provide fire protection as well. On or about June 20 the Township was advised that a 12 inch gasoline pipeline belonging to Sunoco was leaking in the vicinity of the juncture of the Darby Creek and Delaware River. The since repaired broken pipe that had been leaking is located within the parking lot of the Clarion Hotel. DEP, EPA, and a host of other regulatory agencies are coordinating clean-up efforts. There is no report yet of how much gasoline was released.

## Secretary's Correspondence

Ms. Brolley reported there was no 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:**

1. Ms. Marian Matuliwicz, Lester, thanked the Board for cutting the grass behind her house and asked if the mosquito spraying truck could 'slow-down'.

## **ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

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

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine M. Brolley

**Township Secretary**