

**TOWNSHIP OF RADNOR**  
***Minutes of Public Meeting of April 30, 2012***

*The Radnor Township Board of Commissioners met at approximately 6:30 PM in the Radnorshire Room in the Radnor Township Municipal Building, 301 Iven Avenue, Wayne, PA 19087*

***Commissioners Present***

*William Spingler, President*

*Elaine P. Schaefer, Vice President*

*Donald Curley*

*Kevin G. Higgins*

*John Fisher*

*James C. Higgins*

*John C. Nagle*

***Also Present:*** *Robert A. Zienkowski, Township Manager; William White, Finance Director; William Colarulo, Superintendent of Police; Stephen Norcini, Director of Public Works, Tammy Cohen, Director of Recreation; Kevin Kochanski, Director of Community Development and Jennifer DeStefano, Executive Assistant to Township Manager.*

*President Spingler called the meeting to order and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.*

Mr. Zienkowski, Township Manager and William White, Finance Director gave a presentation in regards to the following topics:

- Stormwater Management Issue
- Departmental Capital Equipment
- OPEB & Pension, Compensated Leave Balances
- Staffing Requirements
- Results of Township Manager's Planning Meeting
- Outsourcing
- Union Contracts/Negotiations (RATE & FOP)
- Consolidation of Facilities & Services
- Sale of Real Estate
- Where Your Tax Dollars Go
- Comparison w/ Surrounding Communities
- Level of Services Provided to Residents

There will be upcoming meetings/discussions about the topics below:

- Township Facilities & Infrastructure (May 24, 2012)
- Tree Maintenance, Real Estate Assessment/Evaluation (June 12, 2012)

- Funding Various Groups/Organizations, Funding for Fire Companies (July 18, 2012)

*Board of Commissioners Comment and Discussion*

Commissioner Spingler discussed the potential of building on the Post Office Property. When it comes to consolidation of properties it would be tough to find another location in Radnor Township that would not have opposition from residents due to traffic increase, etc.

Commissioner Schaefer thanked Staff and CARFAC for all the hard work that has been put into budgeting for this year and beyond. Her thoughts on consolidation of buildings are that it makes complete sense to do and is open for discussions on that. Comparison of staffing levels is a useful exercise. She feels that services have been cut back significantly but the level of service is exemplary.

Commissioner Curley believes it is still too early to engage in a stormwater contact. He still believes that we need to make policy decisions to make before and changes to Capital Projects are made. OPEB and Pensions: the priority is contracts. Outsourcing needs to be reviewed, his bias is to not outsource but believes it still need to be looked at. Consolidate Operations: He is in support of that but echoes Commissioner Spingler's thoughts on it. He also would be unwilling to relocate the library away from downtown. Real Estate: In his opinion it is premature to look at, a lot of the decisions again are policy or political decisions. He is all for Dashboard but thinks it will be difficult. Level of Service again, everyone wants them to remain high.

Commissioner Nagle believes that the level of service is the most difficult to define. The OPEB and Pensions will need to be another lengthy conversation because the Township needs to contextualize them; we are not the only Township with these problems.

Commissioner Fisher's thoughts are it is still too early to have answers to all of these items so it will be more like a menu. In regards to Pension and OPEB it will need to be a group effort and will need the Unions help at addressing these issues. Stormwater is another area that has not been addressed properly. Services certainly need to be delivered efficiently. There may need to be cuts in the type of services provided.

Commissioner K. Higgins thinks that it is incredibly naive to think that we can continue to coast along doing the same thing and without making significant changes.

Commissioner J. Higgins agrees that the Sale of Property merits a further look. We need to be creative going forward.

Commissioner Curley stated that we need to look at the Township owned Real Estate not from a marketability point but the palpability.

Commissioner Nagle still feels as though the Real Estate Assessment needs to be completed.

Mr. Zienkowski stated that the recommendation for the Real Estate Assessment should be in front of the Board on May 14, 2012 and it would probably be a 60-75 day period and could run concurrent with Commissioner Curley's suggestion.

*Public Comment*

Sarah Armstrong – Thought the presentation was great. She asked whether or not the Public Works garage needed to be in the Township.

Martin Heldring – Discussed the refinancing of the bond, outsourcing, pensions, etc.

*There being no further business, the meeting adjourned on a motion duly made and seconded.*

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Jennifer DeStefano*

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