

**TOWNSHIP OF RADNOR**  
**Minutes of the Meeting of July 17, 2017**

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**

Elaine Schaefer, President      Phil Ahr, Vice President      Donald Curley – Arrived at 9:15 PM  
Richard F. Booker                  James C. Higgins                  John Nagle

**Absent - Luke Clark**

**Also Present:** Robert A. Zienkowski, Township Manager; John Rice, Township Solicitor; William White, Assistant Township Manager & Finance Director; Steve Norcini, Township Engineer; William Colarulo, Superintendent of Police; Amy Kaminski, Traffic Engineer and Jennifer DeStefano, Executive Assistant to the Township Manager.

President Schaefer called the meeting to order

Commissioner Schaefer made a few announcements that item i from the consent agenda as well as recognitions for Studio 21 and Garrett Hill 4th of July Committee will not be on the agenda this evening. She also commented that the Election of President will be discussed later in the meeting as Commissioner Curley will be arriving late to the meeting.

Notice of Executive Session on July 17, 2017 preceding the Board of Commissioners meeting

There is not a notice tonight because there was not an Executive Session preceding the meeting.

2. Consent Agenda

- a) Disbursement Review and Approval: 2017-06D
- b) Approval of Meeting Minutes from the June 12, 2017 and June 26, 2017 Board of Commissioners meeting
- c) Staff Traffic Committee Meeting Minutes – June 21, 2017
- d) HARB Certificate Approval:
  - HARB-2017-13 – 210 N Wayne Avenue – Addition to rear of house (continued from June 7, 2017 meeting)
    - HARB-2017-14 – 525 Louella Avenue – New Single Family Home, Queen Anne Style
- e) Resolution #2017-84 - Authorizing the Engineering Department to Submit a Traffic Signal Application for the Intersections of North Wayne Avenue/Station Avenue/West Avenue & North Wayne Avenue/Poplar Avenue
- f) Resolution #2017-80 - Award of the Contract for Line Striping and Pavement Markings on Township Street
- g) Resolution #2017-85 - Authorizing the Engineering Department to Submit a Traffic Signal Application for the Intersection of Conestoga Road and Sproul Road
- h) Resolution #2017-86 - Awarding Horn Plumbing and Heating, Incorporated, the Contract for Separating and Repairing a Combined Lateral, on Orchard Way, to Comply with Township Code
- i) Resolution #2017-83 – Authorizing Publication Rights for The Radnor Township Newsletter to Radnor Life & Style with a cost of \$7,500.00 – Removed prior to meeting

Commissioner Nagle made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Commissioner Ahr. Motion passed 5-0 with Commissioner Clark and Curley absent.

3. Public Participation

Ken Taylor, Willow Avenue - He commented regarding to the first item under new business.

Sara Pilling, Garrett Avenue – She commented regarding to her concerns with the Emerald Ash Borer in Radnor Township.

Jane Galli, Conestoga Village – She commented about how devastating the Emerald Ash tree can be.

Jake Abel, Wayne – He thanked Mr. Zienkowski for his letter to Aqua, PENNDOT and PECO in regards to Conestoga Road.

Mr. Zienkowski responded that he did meet with Aqua, PENNDOT and PECO in regards to the condition of Conestoga Road. He also gave a summary of the meeting.

Dan Sherry, Wayne – He commented regarding the Election of President to the Board which will occur later in the meeting.

4. Recognitions of Community Members

a. Art Lewis – Radnor High School Scholarship Fund

b. Garrett Hill 4<sup>th</sup> of July Committee

c. Radnor Studio 21

Mr. Zienkowski and Commissioner Schaefer presented Mr. Lewis with recognition for his years of service to the Community and Radnor High School Scholarship Fund. Commissioner Higgins and Booker said a few words of thanks as well.

5. Willows Update

Mark Evans, Barton Partners made a brief presentation on an update of the past community meeting which was held last week in regards to the future of the Willows. The presentation can be found on the Township website at: <http://www.radnor.com/977/The-Willows-RFP-Process-Adaptive-Re-Use>. There was a brief discussion amongst the Commissioners, staff and consultants in regards to their presentation as well as discussing the need to hire a cost estimator.

Public Comment

Christina Perrone – She commented regarding the presentation and the need to hire a cost estimator.

Jake Abel, Wayne – He commented regarding his support of the renewed energy with the future of the Willows and would like to visit other avenues of communicating to the residents to have more participation in the process.

Richard Anthony, Inverary – He thanked Barton Partners and commented regarding the need for more resident participation as well as the amount of competition that is out there for the Willows.

6. Committee Reports

**FINANCE & AUDIT**

A. Q2 2017 Finance Update Presentation

Bill White, Assistant Township Manager/Finance Director gave a brief presentation on the Q2 2017 Finance Update which can be found on the Township website at: <https://pa->

[radnor.civicplus.com/DocumentCenter/Home/View/16649](http://radnor.civicplus.com/DocumentCenter/Home/View/16649). There was a brief discussion amongst the Commissioners and staff in regards to their presentation.

***PUBLIC SAFETY***

- B. *Ordinance #2017-10 - (Adoption) authorizing one (1) new handicapped parking space to be placed in front of 51 Garrett Avenue*

Commissioner Schaefer made a motion to adopt, seconded by Commissioner Ahr. Motion passed 5-0 with Commissioners Curley and Clark absent.

Public Comment

Sara Pilling, Garrett Avenue – She commented that the parking will be across the street from 51 Garrett Avenue.

***PUBLIC WORKS & ENGINEERING***

- C. *Motion Authorizing Creating a Steering Committee for the Radnor Township & Haverford Township Joint Comprehensive Plan*

Commissioner Schaefer made a motion to create a Steering Committee for the Radnor Township & Haverford Township Comprehensive Plan, seconded by Commissioner Higgins.

There was a discussion amongst the Commissioners and staff in regards to the pros and cons of a joint plan.

Public Comment

Jane Galli, Conestoga Village – She inquired about the reasoning that Haverford Township was chosen and not another surrounding municipality.

Toni Bailey – She asked for an explanation in regards to what the comp plan is all about.

Mr. Zienkowski commented that Haverford Township approached Radnor to join them for a Comprehensive Plan. Haverford is applying for a grant to help offset the cost.

Roberta Winters – She wanted to remind everyone that Haverford Township and Radnor Township are part of Delaware County not Montgomery or Chester.

Motion passed 4-1 with Commissioner Booker opposed and Commissioners Curley and Clark absent.

Commissioner Higgins wanted to announce that there is a Public Works sub-committee meeting on Monday, July 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 in the Radnorshire Room where changes to the Stormwater Ordinance will be discussed.

- D. *Presentation - MS4/Pollution Reduction Plan Update, by Meliora Design, Incorporated.*

Michelle Adams, Meliora Design gave a presentation which can be found on the Township website at: <http://www.radnor.com/DocumentCenter/Home/View/16645>. There was a discussion amongst the Commissioners and consultants.

Maya Von Rossum, Delaware Riverkeeper – She commented regarding her support of the MS4/Pollution Plan.

Fred Stein, Delaware Riverkeeper Network – He commented about continuing with photo documentation of the creeks and stream in Radnor Township.

Jim Giegerich – He inquired for a few clarifications of the presentation which was given.

- E. Resolution #2017-88 - Requesting a Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development for Pedestrian Improvements along Lancaster Avenue (S.R. 0030) from Garrett Avenue to Barley Cone Lane
- F. Resolution #2017-89 - Requesting a Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development for Pedestrian Improvements along N. Wayne Avenue (S.R. 1046) from Woodsworth Court to Eagle Road (S.R. 1042)
- G. Resolution #2017-90 - Requesting a Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development for Pedestrian Improvements along Glenmary Road for approximately 250 feet from King of Prussia Road (S.R. 1021) to the cul-de-sac street accessing several residential properties

Commissioner Higgins made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Schaefer.

Commissioner Booker made a motion to approve E, F & G at one time, seconded by Commissioner Higgins. Motion passed 5-1 with Commissioner Nagle opposed and Commissioner Clark absent.

***PERSONNEL & ADMINISTRATION - None***

***LIBRARY - None***

***PUBLIC HEALTH - None***

***PARKS & RECREATION - None***

***COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - None***

***Election of President***

Commissioner Curley made a motion to nominate Rich Booker as President, seconded by Commissioner Booker.

Commissioner Nagle made a motion to nominate Phil Ahr as President, seconded by Commissioner Higgins.

Commissioner Schaefer called the vote on Commissioner Curley's motion; motion failed 2-4 with Commissioners Higgins, Schaefer, Ahr and Nagle opposed and Commissioner Clark absent.

**Public Comment**

Dan Sherry, Wayne – He commented with his thoughts on Phil Ahr as President of the Board.

Commissioner Schaefer called the vote on Commissioner Nagle's motion; motion passed 4-2 with Commissioners Booker and Curley opposed and Commissioner Clark absent.

Commissioner Curley made a motion to nominate Rich Booker as Vice President, seconded by Commissioner Booker.

Commissioner Nagle made a motion to nominate Elaine Schaefer as Vice President, seconded by Commissioner Higgins.

There was a brief discussion amongst the Commissioner's on the above nominations.

Public Comment

Dan Sherry, Wayne – He commented in support of Rich Booker as Vice President.

Toni Bailey, Conestoga Village – She commented her support for Rich Booker as Vice President.

Commissioner Ahr called the vote on Commissioner Curley's motion; motion failed 2-4 with Commissioners Higgins, Schaefer, Ahr and Nagle opposed and Commissioner Clark absent.

Public Comment

Dan Sherry, Wayne – He commented that he is not in support of Commissioner Schaefer as Vice President.

Commissioner Ahr called the vote on Commissioner Nagle's motion; motion passed 4-2 with Commissioners Booker and Curley opposed and Commissioner Clark absent.

Commissioner Ahr spoke a few words regarding him being elected President.

Old Business - None

New Business

- Consideration of a Motion Regarding Fully Funding MS4 Pollutant Reduction Requirements for 2018 from the Storm Water Fee (Requested by Commissioner Curley)

Commissioner Curley commented regarding his memo in which he submitted and can be seen on page 60 of the Meeting Packet on the website at: <http://www.radnor.com/AgendaCenter/ViewFile/Agenda/07172017-1303>. There was an in-depth discussion amongst the Commissioners.

Commissioner Curley made a motion to adopt the stormwater funding formula per his memo to the Board Packet (*FLCS = SW\$ - MS4\$ - O&MS*), seconded by Commissioner Booker.

Public Comment

Ken Taylor, Willow Avenue – He commented regarding the MS4 and Stormwater Fee.

Commissioner Ahr called the vote, motion failed 2-4 with Commissioners Higgins, Schaefer, Ahr and Nagle opposed and Commissioner Clark absent.

- Consideration of a Motion to Provide Relief for Ash Trees from Selective Shade Tree Ordinance Requirements (Requested by Commissioner Curley)

Commissioner Curley commented regarding his memo to the Board which can be in the meeting packet on page 62 on the Township website: <http://www.radnor.com/AgendaCenter/ViewFile/Agenda/07172017-1303>. He recommends the following suggestions: 1. Replacement Formula - Modify Section 263-4 to

indicate that removal of an Ash tree requires a maximum replacement of one tree. 2. Heritage Designation - Modify Section 263 8 C to eliminate Ash trees from having the designation as a heritage tree. 3. Escrows – No action needed. Modifying the above-mentioned replacement formula will reduce the escrow cost associated with removing Ash trees. 4. Fines – Modify Section 263-11 so that the maximum fine for unlawfully removing an Ash tree is marginally greater the cost associated with lawful removal of an Ash tree. There was a discussion amongst the Commissioners.

Commissioner Curley made a motion to direct John Rice to develop a draft ordinance or a red-lined version of our Shade Tree Ordinance to reflect changes that were identified essentially exempting the particular Ash Tree discussed from the provisions of our code, seconded by Commissioner Booker.

Public Comment

Dan Sherry, Wayne – He commented regarding the comments made earlier of the Conservancy’s involvement with the Ash Tree removal project.

Commissioner Ahr called the vote, motion passed 6-0 with Commissioner Clark absent.

There was a sense of the Board to have the Township Arborist to work with staff to come up with the scope of the problem in the Township pertaining to Ash Trees.

Public Participation

Dan Sherry, Wayne – He spoke regarding the Election of President.

Sara Pilling – She commented about discussions at the July 10<sup>th</sup> meeting and the discussion of raising of sewer fees.

Roberta Winters – She asked if the Board can consider if making a tax increase it be reasonable.

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

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Jennifer DeStefano*