

TOWNSHIP OF RADNOR
Minutes of the Meeting of April 11, 2016

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

<i>Luke Clark, Vice President</i>	<i>Elaine Schaefer</i>	<i>Donald Curley</i>
<i>John Nagle</i>	<i>Philip Ahr</i>	<i>Richard F. Booker</i>

Commissioners Absent

James C. Higgins

Also Present: *Robert A. Zienkowski, Township Manager; John Rice, Township Solicitor; Robert Tate, Assistant Finance Director; Kevin Kochanski, Director of Community Development; Steve Norcini, Director of Public Works; William Colarulo, Superintendent of Police; Tammy Cohen, Director of Community Programming and Recreation; Roger Philips, Township Engineer; Amy Kaminski, Traffic Engineer and Jennifer DeStefano, Executive Assistant to the Township Manager.*

Vice President Clark called the meeting to order and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance

Notice of Executive Session on April 11, 2016

All commissioners were in attendance with the exception of Commissioner Higgins at the April 11, 2016 executive session; where matters of personnel, real estate and litigation were discussed.

~~1. *Unit Citation for 3rd Platoon – Radnor Police Department* – Removed~~

2. *Proclamation and Recognition of Donald A. Wood (Fire Marshal/Fire Investigator)*

Commissioner Clark presented Don Wood with a Proclamation for his years of service. Mr. Wood thanked current and past Board of Commissioners and Administrators for their support.

3. *Proclamation of Congratulations to Villanova University Men’s Basketball Team*

Commissioner Curley presented Mick Keelan, Assistant Athletic Director at Villanova University a Proclamation of congratulations to Villanova University Men’s Basketball Team.

4. *Consent Agenda*

a) *Disbursement Review and Approval: 2016-3D; 2016-4A*

b) *Resolution #2016-41 – Authorizing temporary parking restrictions on Francis Avenue*

c) *Resolution #2016-44 – Authorization for the Kirks Run Sanitary Sewer Repair Design*

d) ~~*Resolution #2016-45 – Award of Contract #B-16-001, Eneke Park Upgrade Project*~~

Commissioner Nagle requested that item 4d is removed from the consent agenda.

Commissioner Clark made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Commissioner Schaefer. Motion passed 6-0 with Commissioner Higgins absent.

d) Resolution #2016-45 - Award of Contract #B-16-001, Encke Park Upgrade Project

Commissioner Nagle inquired if this was part of the original budget packet. Mr. Norcini briefly described the proposed project. Mr. White commented that they are not asking for any new funds tonight.

Commissioner Nagle made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Clark. Motion passed 6-0 with Commissioner Higgins absent.

5. Public Participation

Sara Pilling, Garrett Avenue – She commented in regards to an upcoming Community meeting to discuss the future of the Willows Mansion that is scheduled for Wednesday evening at 7 Pm at the Radnor United Methodist Church.

Leslie Morgan, Farm Road - She commented in regards to the future of the Willows Mansion as well as commented about the funds that are collected from the sale of Township assets to offset tax increases to residents.

6. Committee Reports

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

A. Motion to authorize the Zoning Officer to send a letter to the Zoning Hearing Board opposing the following Zoning Hearing Board Application:

- a. Appeal # 2965 The Applicant, Thomas Jefferson University, property located at 789 E. Lancaster Avenue and zoned C1 and R2, seeks a variance relief from Section 281-122(C)(2) for the installation of one (1) wall sign great than 50 square feet and higher than 15 feet above grade; and any other variances, special exceptions or special use permits that are necessary for the approval and installation of the proposed sign*

Commissioner Curley made a motion to authorize the Zoning Officer to send a letter to the Zoning Hearing Board opposing Appeal #2965, seconded by Commissioner Clark.

There was a brief discussion amongst the Commissioners and staff for clarifications for Appeal #2965. Commissioner Clark wanted to note that he received an email from a resident who is opposed to the proposed sign.

Public Comment

Mike Beers, Midland Circle – He is opposed to the size of the proposed sign.

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

PUBLIC SAFETY

B. Ordinance #2016-06 – (Introduction) Amending Glenbrook Avenue parking restriction from Beatrice Avenue to Conestoga Road from 2 hour parking to - 2 hours, 8am-6pm except Saturday, Sunday and Holidays, on the south side of Glenbrook Avenue

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

Commissioner Clark commented that he received an email from a resident on Glenbrook Road asking for the 2 hour parking to be removed and 24 hour parking be enforced unless you have a parking permit. Lieutenant Block stated that he will take that to the next Staff Traffic meeting to be addresses. There was a brief discussion amongst the Commissioners and staff in regards to tabling the ordinance until a future meeting.

Commissioner Clark made a motion to table the ordinance, seconded by Commissioner Curley. Motion passed 6-0 with Commissioner Higgins absent.

PUBLIC WORKS & ENGINEERING

C. Resolution #2016-46 - Final Approval – Preliminary/Final Plan– Radnor Memorial Library

Commissioner Clark made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Ahr. Motion passed 6-0 with Commissioner Higgins absent.

Steve Norcini requested a motion to proceed to receive bids for the project.

Commissioner Curley made a motion to proceed with receiving bids for the renovations to the Library, seconded by Commissioner Schaefer. Motion passed 6-0 with Commissioner Higgins absent.

D. Resolution #2016-47 - Final Approval – Preliminary/Final Plan– 131/133 Garrett Avenue

The Engineer representing the applicant commented that comment 7E was revised to document what the staff required in regards to the street lights. There was a brief discussion in regards to the proposed street lights.

Commissioner Clark made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Schaefer. Motion passed 6-0 with Commissioner Higgins absent.

~~***E. Resolution #2016-48 - Final Approval – Preliminary Plan– 427 E. Lancaster Avenue – Tabled***~~

G. Presentation - School Lane Storm Sewer, by Dan Wible, CH2M

Dan Wible, CH2M made a brief presentation which can be found on the Township website at:

There was an in depth discussion amongst Commissioners, staff, Paul Burgmeyer (SWMAC) and Dan Wible (CH2M) in regards to how to proceed forward and the models shown in Mr. Wible's presentation.

Commissioner Schaefer made a motion to reaffirm resolution #2015-123, seconded by Commissioner Ahr.

Commissioner Curley made a motion to allocate \$30,000 to Gannet Fleming to evaluate something that approaches a 100% solution for a 10-year event in the vicinity of the Fire House and the War Memorial, seconded by Commissioner Ahr.

Public Comment

Sara Pilling, Garrett Avenue – She commented in regards to encouraging the residents uphill to look into rain barrels and rain gardens to slow the water down.

Ken Taylor, Willow Avenue – He suggested that the Board wait until the Township Wide study is complete to make a decision.

Commissioner Clark called the vote on Commissioner Schaefer’s motion, motion passed 5-1 with Commissioner Curley opposed and Commissioner Higgins absent.

Mr. Zienkowski requested that the Township secure an agreement from the School District to enter their property for the project.

F. Ordinance #2016-03 (Adoption) - Adopting a Capital Budget for the Township Stormwater Fund

Commissioner Clark made a motion to adopt, seconded by Commissioner Ahr.

Public Comment

Ken Taylor, Willow Avenue – He again suggested delaying approval until the Township wide assessment is completed.

Commissioner Clark called the vote, motion passed 5-1 with Commissioner Booker opposed and Commissioner Higgins absent.

PERSONNEL & ADMINISTRATION

None

FINANCE & AUDIT

None

PARKS & RECREATION

Commissioner Nagle announced that unfortunately the Eggstravaganza was postponed again and it will not be rescheduled this year and there is a Parks Board meeting this Thursday. Also, The Wheels of Wayne is scheduled for April 24, 2016.

LIBRARY

Commissioner Booker commented that the Library expansion was approved tonight and there is a Trustee meeting on Thursday and he will report back then.

PUBLIC HEALTH

None

Old Business

None

New Business

- *Update on Hare’s Lane Path*

Commissioner Booker as well as Mr. Norcini gave a brief update on Hare's Lane. They discussed that they have been in discussion with Brandywine Realty Trust I regards to connecting the existing trail to the proposed trail. The Township will proceed with surveying.

- Utilization of the \$166K in the Community Enhancement Trust for Repairs/Restructuring of the Cairn at the Radnor exit to I-476

Commissioner Clark commented that he received an email from Chris Todd, stating that the Wayne Business Association was under the impression that those funds have already been allocated for use in the Wayne Business District for PECO upgrades.

Commissioner Nagle discussed the history of RECT and the limitations of the funds. He also pointed out that the Township does not control the funds. Commissioner Booker commented that he would like to see the funds used for the Cairns at I-476. Commissioner Booker as well as Staff will inspect and evaluate the condition of the Cairns and report back to the Board. He would like to table this item until the inspection and evaluation is completed.

- Implementation of a new Radnor Gateway Enhancement District for the that same area (including the Radnor high school stone monuments on their site, and the intersection at Rt. 320 and Lancaster Ave.); and establishing a 3 or more person board to solicit donations from interested business and individuals in the area, and to administer the expenditure of such funds on behalf of the Enhancement District, and the Township of Radnor. The suggested chairman of that board is Mr. Matt Marshall of Radnor's 1st Ward

Commissioner Booker and Matt Marshall made a brief presentation in regards to the beatification of the gateway area of the Township; establishing a board to solicit donations from businesses, local schools and individuals. It was the sense of the Board that they should create a group which is not controlled by the Township and for them to raise the funds and come up with the projects then they could return to the Township for approval of the projects.

- ~~Update Bond issue projected timeline~~

- ~~2016 Capital Budget Update~~

Villanova

Chris Kovolski and Marilou Smith representing Villanova University presented that at the CARE Committee meeting on March 3, residents initiated a discussion about the sidewalk planned along Lancaster Avenue in front of the surface parking lot currently being constructed. The approved drawings show a sidewalk that is 4 to 5 feet wide and is located next to the street.

The residents requested that Villanova investigate the possibility of building a wider sidewalk that is set back from the street by a grass buffer strip. Villanova has studied the request and is willing to meet it. However, because of the timing of this request and where Villanova's contractors are in the project timeline, the University is requesting the following from the Township:

- The University be allowed to take credit for the additional storm water management systems designed in the base Lancaster Avenue Surface Parking Lot project. This credit would satisfy the additional impervious coverage created by adding a new sidewalk.
- Use the Lancaster Avenue Surface Parking Lot project grading permit for this additional work, memorializing the changes on the as built drawings.

- Work with Radnor Township arborist to maintain as many trees as possible along this route. Where trees have to be removed, the University requests the replacement tree requirements of the Shade Tree ordinance be waived. This waiver would be in recognition of the significant additional plantings being installed as part of this project.

There was an in depth discussion amongst the Commissioners, staff and the Township Solicitor on the process to take to move the project forward.

Commissioner Curley made a motion to authorize staff and Villanova to work together to modify the grading plan to install sidewalks as shown to the Board of Commissioners at their April 11, 2016 meeting; the authorization includes the authority to waive the stormwater requirement associated with the additional sidewalk and to waive the replacement trees except as specified by the Township Engineer, seconded by Commissioner Nagle.

Public Comment

Jane Galli, Rosemont – She thanked Villanova for installing the sidewalks and commented about the stormwater management that Villanova collaborated with Temple University on.

Rick Leonardi – He commented that he thinks the sidewalks are an excellent idea.

Commissioner Clark called the vote, motion passed 4-1 with Commissioner Booker opposed, Commissioner Schaefer abstaining and Commissioner Higgins absent.

Public Participation

None

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

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer DeStefano