

TOWNSHIP OF RADNOR
Minutes of the Meeting of October 10, 2016

The Radnor Township Board of Commissioners met at approximately 7:00 PM in the Radnorshire Room in the Radnor Township Municipal Building, 301 Iven Avenue, Wayne, PA 19087

Commissioners Present

*Philip Ahr, President Luke Clark, Vice President Elaine Schaefer Donald Curley
John Nagle Richard F. Booker James C. Higgins*

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

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

Notice of Executive Session on October 10, 2016

All commissioners were in attendance at the October 10, 2016 of real estate, personnel and litigation were discussed.

1. *Consent Agenda*

- a) *Disbursement Review and Approval: 2016-09D, 2016-09E*
- b) *Approval of Board of Commissioners meeting minutes of September 12, 2016*
- c) *Staff Traffic Committee Meeting Minutes - September 21, 2016*
- d) *Resolution #2016-100 - Acknowledging the receipt and accounting of the 2016 General Municipal Pension System Aid*
- e) *341 Yorkshire Road – Requesting a waiver from §245-22 the Stormwater Management Requirements for Infiltration*
- f) *Authorization to solicit RFP's for Site Construction Inspection Services, Township Engineering Services, Traffic Engineering Services and Stormwater Administrator/Engineering Services*

Commissioner Curley made a motion to approve items a-d of the consent agenda, seconded by Commissioner Schaefer. Motion passed 7-0.

Commissioner Curley requested that **item f** be removed from the agenda and Commissioner Booker requested for **item e** to be removed.

e)341 Yorkshire Road – Requesting a waiver from §245-22 the Stormwater Management Requirements for Infiltration

Roger Philips, Township Engineer explained the applicant is requesting a waiver of §245-22 of the Townships Stormwater Management Ordinance which requires the maximizing of the ground water recharge capacity of the area being developed.

The applicant has conducted soil testing at 2 locations on the site, and the required percolation was not feasible due to mottled soils, high ground water and percolation testing results of zero. The applicant has made provisions for the installation of a rain garden to address volume management requirements due to the lack of percolation at the site.

Commissioner Curley made a motion to approve the waiver, seconded by Commissioner Nagle. Motion passed 7-0.

f) Authorization to solicit RFP's for Site Construction Inspection Services, Township Engineering Services, Traffic Engineering Services and Stormwater Administrator/Engineering Services

Commissioner Curley made a motion to table so that the Commissioners can discuss further with staff, seconded by Commissioner Clark. Motion passed 6-1 with Commissioner Booker opposed.

2. Public Participation

Kim Crew-Englehardt, Garrett Hill – She commented in regards to the need for Clem Macrone to be renovated and showed pictures of the comfort stations at the park from 1959.

Roberta Winters, Williams Road – She commented in regards to the need for the renovations at Clem Macrone Park.

Dan Sherry, Wayne – He commented in regards to his concerns with The Radnor Conservancy and that there has not been any money sent to Radnor Township from donations for Ardrossan.

Leslie Morgan, Ward 1 – She commented in regards to raising money for conservation easements and her concerns with the funding for Ardrossan as it was in the Ardrossan Executive Summary.

Christina Perrone, Ward 1 – She commented in regards to the whereabouts of the money that residents have contributed to the Radnor Conservancy.

Commissioner Nagle addressed a few of the comments which were made by the residents in regards to the Radnor Conservancy.

3. Announcements of vacancies on various Boards & Commissions

Commissioner Curley made a motion to appoint Jake Abel to the Shade Tree Commission, seconded by Commissioner Clark. Motion passed 7-0.

Commissioner Ahr announced the following vacancies. Interested candidates, please send your resume to Robert Zienkowski, Township Manager, 301 Iven Avenue, Wayne, PA 19087.

Board of Health Design Review Board

1 Vacancy 1 Vacancy

Shade Tree Commission

2 Vacancy to fill unexpired Term

Stormwater Advisory Committee

1 Vacancy to fill unexpired Term

Vacancies effective January 1, 2017

- Board of Health
- Design Review Board
- Rental Housing Appeal Board
- Environmental Advisory Council
- Planning Commission

4. Appointment of Special Counsel to the Ethics Board

- Resolution #2016-101 - Appointing Joel S. Barras, Esquire of Reed Smith, LLP as Special Counsel to the Radnor Township Board of Ethics

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

There was a discussion amongst the Commissioners and Township Solicitor on the motion above and which commissioners can vote. Also discussed was seeking alternative counsel.

Commissioner Booker made a motion to table, seconded by Commissioner Curley.

Commissioner Curley made a motion to table the resolution and requested that the Township provide alternative counsel, seconded by Commissioner Clark.

Public Comment

Dan Sherry, Wayne – He commented in regards to the outcomes to past Ethics Board meetings with Mr. Barras.

Commissioner Ahr called the vote on the motion to table. Motion failed 3-4 with Commissioners Higgins, Ahr, Schaefer and Nagle opposed.

Commissioner Schaefer commented that she will recuse herself from the vote as she is unsure of whether she should or shouldn't.

Public Comment

Christina Perrone, Ward 1 – She commented in regards to her disagreement of the approval of the above resolution.

Dan Sherry, Wayne – He commented in regards to his disagreement with the appointment of Mr. Barras.

Jane Galli, Barcladen Road – She commented that the Township should go out to bid for special counsel.

There was an in depth discussion amongst the Commissioners in regards to special counsel and past ethics matters.

Commissioner Ahr called the vote on the original motion, motion failed 2-4 with Commissioners Booker, Clark, Ahr and Curley opposed and Commissioner Schaefer abstaining.

Commissioner Curley made a motion to direct staff to come back with alternative counsel, seconded by Commissioner Booker. Motion passed 6-0 with Commissioner Schaefer abstaining.

5. Continued until October 24, 2016 at the request of Applicants Attorney

Consideration of HARB Certificate of Appropriateness:

- HARB 2016-16 – 401 Midland Avenue – Removal of non-original addition at the rear of house. Replace with proposed addition presented in drawings. New addition includes two-car garage, laundry room and sunroom on the first floor and a children's playroom on the second floor.

6. Committee Reports

PUBLIC SAFETY

A. Presentation by the Radnor Fire Company – Budget Follow up requested by the Board of Commissioners

Eamon Brazunas, Executive Director Radnor Fire Company made a brief discussion which can be found on the Township website at: <http://www.radnor.com/DocumentCenter/View/13983> .

PERSONNEL & ADMINISTRATION

B. Presentation of the Condition Assessment Report of the Willows by Avison Young

Representatives of Avison Young gave a brief presentation which summarized their Condition Assessment Report which can be found on the Township website at: <http://radnor.com/DocumentCenter/View/13899>.

PARKS & RECREATION

C. Resolution #2016-102 - Authorization to award the Alterations and Renovations to Clem Macrone Park, Project # B-16-006, Site, Electrical, & General Prime Contracts

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

Mr. Norcini made a brief presentation in regards to the proposed project at Clem Macrone. There was a discussion amongst the Commissioners and staff about keeping the porous parking lot in the project. Martin Kimmel, architect for the project, briefly discussed the porous parking lot.

Public Comment

Jane Galli, Barcladen Road – She inquired in regards to using Stormwater fee money towards the project.

Maya von Rossum, Delaware Riverkeeper – She commented about her agreement to include the parking lot with infiltration system.

Sara Pilling, Garrett Hill – She commented about the possibility of having the community contribute to building the playground.

Patti Barker, Garrett Hill – She commented in regards to her support of the prior comments as well as thanking the Commissioners and staff for hearing the community.

Christina Perrone, Ward 1 – She inquired about what the process is to have the funds from the Stormwater Fees used on the project for stormwater.

Commissioner Ahr called the vote, motion passed 7-0.

Commissioner Ahr thanked everyone that has participated in initiating the project and seeing through to this point.

Commissioner Nagle commented that the Great Harvest and Pumpkin Event had been postponed to October 16th 1 PM to 4 PM.

LIBRARY***D. Discussion of the Bid Results for the Library Renovation Project***

Martin Kimmel, Architect for the project, made a brief presentation in regards to the current bids that have come back in after being sent out for re-bid. The re-bids still came in over budget by approximately \$1.4M. They will have a discussion with the low bidders and perform value engineering and will return to the Board at that time with an update.

PUBLIC WORKS & ENGINEERING***E. Stormwater Revision Update***

Commissioner Curley commented that approximately a year ago the Board of Commissioners directed staff to improve the Stormwater Ordinance but the Board needs to give more detailed information. He suggested the Board to identify 2-4 concepts to improve the ordinance and then direct staff to revise the ordinance to reflect those concepts. There was further discussion in regards to the process to revise the ordinance. There was a consensus that a redlined copy will be brought back at a later meeting for discussion.

F. Resolution #2016-103 - Authorization to award the Morris Road Safety Improvements, Project # B-16-009 Contract

Steve Norcini briefly discussed the proposed project which can be found on page 51 of the meeting packet.

Commissioner Higgins made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Curley. Motion passed 7-0.

G. Resolution #2016-104 - Authorization to award the Pine Tree Traffic Calming, Project # B-16-010, Contract

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

There was a brief discussion amongst the Commissioners in regards to the cost of engineering for the project as well as this project not being budgeted.

Public Comment

Austin Hepburn, Upper Gulph Road – He commented in regards to the need of speed enforcement on Pine Tree.

Commissioner Ahr called the vote, Motion passed 6-1 with Commissioner Nagle opposed.

H. Presentation & Discussion - Lancaster Avenue, 400 Block Pedestrian Improvements

Mr. Norcini discussed that the sidewalk that traverses from Chamounix Road to Iron Works Way, on the north side of Lancaster Avenue, is a precarious walk for pedestrians travelling to and from the St. David's Regional Rail Station and Wayne. Amy Kaminski, P.E., of Gilmore Associates, the Township's appointed Traffic Engineer, will present ideas for improved sidewalks in this area. Part of the evaluation will include the two parcels in this area that are in for land development. Ms. Kaminski will also discuss possible grant opportunities for grant funding. That presentation can be found on page 65 of the meeting packet.

Commissioner Higgins made the following motion, resolved, that it is the sense of the Board of Commissioners of Radnor Township that it desires to engineer and construct the Lancaster Avenue Pedestrian Improvements project from Iron Works Way to Chamounix Road and to apply for a grant from PennDot in support thereof. To be funded by such grants or assessments as the Board of Commissioners shall deem appropriate. Seconded by Commissioner Schaefer. Motion passed 7-0.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

I. Discussion of PLO Ordinance Amendment

Commissioner Higgins will recuse himself as the University of Pennsylvania is a client.

There was an in depth discussion amongst the Commissioners. Commissioner Curley requested that the following is added to the ordinance: 1. exclude medical & dental office from the definition of Ambulatory Care; 2. Exclude drug and alcohol rehabilitation facilities of assisted living definition and add the word Senior; 3. Applicant to provide a transportation impact and mitigation plan

Commissioner Ahr made a motion to extend the meeting to 11:30 PM, seconded by Commissioner Clark. Motion passed 5-1 with Commissioner Nagle opposed and Commissioner Higgins out of the room.

Commissioner Booker discussed that he would like to strike (4) *Increase the effectiveness of the zoning district by providing the capability for a mixture of complementary uses; he would also like to revisit 40% mixed use; clarification of Independent Living and Ambulatory Care; his concern with extended stay included in hotel definition; requested clarification and models in regards to traffic; parking structures; removing “solicitor” in financial subdivision and 350 ft. length wall. Mr. Falcone, representing PennMed commented that outpatient surgical center is included within the definition for ambulatory care.*

FINANCE & AUDIT

J. Presentation of the Township Manager’s 2017 Comprehensive Budget

Mr. Zienkowski thanked the staff, Department Heads and Bill White in preparing the budget. Mr. White, Finance Director, made a brief presentation of the 2017 Township Manager’s Comprehensive Budget which can be found on the Township website at: <http://www.radnor.com/DocumentCenter/View/13909>

PUBLIC HEALTH

None

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Public Participation

None

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

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer DeStefano