# TOWNSHIP OF RADNOR Minutes of Public Meeting of July 9, 2012 Township Building Radnorshire Room Pay and Display Study

The Radnor Township Board of Commissioners met at 7:30AM and 6:45PM in the Township Building, Radnorshire Room, 301 Iven Avenue, Wayne, Pennsylvania 19087.

<u>Present:</u> Robert A. Zienkowski, Township Manager, William A. Colarulo, Police Superintendent, Christopher B. Flanagan, Lieutenant, William Gallagher, Ordinance Enforcement Officer (OEO), Diane Jiorle, Christopher Todd, Melissa Horowitz, Kristy Cole, Francini Carb, Anthony Merhige, Joseph Ellis, Wayne Reid, David Brennan, Lisa Gardner, JoAnn Soha, Art Forster, Cheryl Lobinski, Lou Damicantonio and John Sheehan.

The Radnor Township Police Department held two meetings to update the public on the progress of the parking kiosks that will be displayed in the Bellevue, South Wayne and Waynewood/Louella lots. If approved by the Board of Commissioners at the Monday, July 16, 2012 meeting, the kiosks will outfit three municipal lots initially with brand new parking kiosks that provide multiple and more customerfriendly ways of paying for parking. A PowerPoint was presented showing the current parking situation, parking goals, business community ideas and issues concerning discounted parking.

# • Current permit system (parking permits)

- o 225 total spaces
  - 102 Bellevue lot
  - 59 South Wayne lot
  - 64 Waynewood/Louella lots
- o 53 specified spaces
  - Theresa's 18
  - Christopher's 8
  - McGillicuddy's 22
  - Margaret Kuo's 5

# Parking Goals

- o Maximize efficient use of municipal parking lots in Wayne
- o Increase 10 hour parking in Wayne Business Overlay District (WBOD)
- o Assist visitors, provide close, short term parking
- o Create positive partnerships with businesses, employees and residents in WBOD
- o Increase discounted parking options to WBOD

# • Business Community Feedback

- o Meet with Wayne Business Association (WBA) to discuss parking issues
- o Survey completed by WBA listing a need of 286 spaces

- o WBA 538 staff/residents may want to purchase discounted parking in the new 10 hour parking according to the WBA survey
- o WBA requested all interested within the WBOD that display-paystub/lease/letter/be able to purchase discounted parking

# • Issues with multi Discount Parking

- o First come, first serve availability
- o Once lot is filled, customers will have to use normal meters at regular price
- o Individuals purchasing discount parking card will come to the Township Building with proper identification
- o Only 1 year of discounted parking can be purchased
- o Purchase will be for 300 days of discounted parking, Sundays
- o Purchases will be bi-annual or annual only
- o Bundles will cost \$1,500/\$300 for 1 year, \$750/\$150 for 6 months
- o Plus pass through cards will cost approximately \$5.50 per card

## Direction

- o Radnor Township Board of Commissioners will consider final decision for kiosks plan at the Monday, July 16, 2012 meeting
- o Sergeant George Smith will activate the kiosks system in July 2012
- o Discounted kiosk cards will be ordered with a 4-6 week delivery (August-September)
- o WBOD will be notified when cards arrive
- o Parking spaces are not guaranteed

# **Discussion**:

- Kiosk are placed in all three lots, Bellevue, South Wayne, Waynewood/Louella lots
- Enhancement of the business community
- Parking spaces are not guaranteed
- A customer can pay for 4 hours and come back to same lot and park, can't switch lots
- Card values do not expire, they maintain their actual cash value
- No Saturday card purchases because of staffing concerns
- Trying to make flexible and manageable
- If you spend \$1,500 on a card, there is a chance of card being lost or stolen and would like the option to buy cards in \$100 increments for employees which could be passed on when an employee is terminated
- Employees can purchase at the Township Building by showing identification, i.e., pay stubs, or business owners can purchase for employees
- Business owner should have the ability to regulate distribution of cards to employees, not the Township (similar to a parking ticket)
- Kiosks card reader will show balance of card anytime
- Haverford Township, Cape May County and New Hope use parking kiosks
- Haverford Township has built a new lot for kiosks parking only
- Parking spots are not numbered, as long as there are spaces available, a person can go in and out all day
- Works with all three lots, preference is to use the same lot
- Businesses stay later, until 7:00pm, choice 4 hours parking and make determination, set for the time you are operating
- A "Max Time" button indicates all day parking 10 hours

- Discounted card = \$1.00 for 10 hours, ends at 6:00pm
- Ordinance enforcement allows ticketing on Saturdays
- Parking lots need to be resealed and repaved
- If you purchase a 1 year card, and are using two days a week, the card will extend over the year, maintains actual cash value
- Windsor Avenue residents have concerns over employees spilling into their neighborhood
- Bellevue lot is filled with employee vehicles
- Bellevue lot is primarily used for employees of businesses in Wayne
- Bellevue was a permit lot that enforced parking, Bellevue is less than ½ permits, permits were suspended
- To date, everyone with a permit has had 1 ½ year free parking, until kiosks are placed
- If Bellevue lot has 102 spaces before permits expired, and it was previously filled with employee vehicles, with the kiosks employees will pay \$1.00 per day
- Issue will be an incentive for employees to no longer park in Bellevue lot
- Without permits, there are more employees parking in the neighborhoods
- Employees who don't want to pay \$1.00 a day, will park on Windsor and Francis
- More businesses in Wayne, the more employees park in neighborhoods
- Salon D'Artis 42 employees, everyday parking on Francis Avenue
- Concerned that kiosks systems will have more parking on residential streets
- Employees should be parking on the outskirts of Wayne
- Issue is not to move employees out but to make changes in how they operate, must be able to walk a little, a process that will lead us into the right direction
- 34 of one lot is rarely used but employees don't want to walk
- Why will employees pay if they can use residential areas to park
- Quality of life for residents must remain the same
- Employees will continue to park in residential areas and then businesses will leave Wayne if there is not enough parking
- A tutorial of the kiosks will be placed on line and in the Radnor Patch
- Teachers are not eligible for discount cards, not an option for teachers
- Not a guaranteed system; trying to make the system flexible but manageable, work in progress
- WBA, Radnor Patch, Radnor web notification as soon as a decision is made and convene in six months after kiosks implementation phase is in place

## **Appreciation**

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