

TOWNSHIP OF UPPER CHICHESTER

November 12, 2015

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners was called to order by Mr. Michael Gaudio, President, in the Meeting Room of the Municipal Building, Furey Road, Delaware County, Pennsylvania. Mr. Gaudio conducted the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. ROLL CALL

Roll was conducted by Mrs. Walls, Mr. Baiocco, Ms. Whitaker, Mr. Schneider, Mr. Gaudio, Mr. Catania, Mr. Raikowski, Mr. Needles, and Mr. Neary all present.

III. MEETING MINUTES

Moved by Mr. Neary, seconded by Ms. Whitaker, the Board approved the meeting minutes from the October 8, 2015 regular meeting and the November 5, 2015 caucus meeting. Motion carried without dissent.

Mr. Gaudio noted the Board met in Executive Sessions on November 5, 2015 to discuss various legal and personnel issues.

IV. COMMENTS OF CITIZENS

1. *Eric Schaen 2105 Seaside Ave. 610-457-0027*

Lillian Belluti 2101 Seaside Ave. 610-494-3388

They expressed their concerns about the empty Getty gas station (2300 Market St.) near their properties. It is not cared for, empty for years, a hang out, hazardous conditions. It devalues their property and is an eyesore. The solicitor said he will work with the Township Manager and Ms. Belluti's attorney and will be in touch with them as to the progress of the situation.

2. *Jim Findley 246 Meetinghouse Rd. 610-800-0378*

He was very concerned about the repaving of Rogers Ave. He said the workers stole from him, blocked his driveway and therefore they (Cardile's) lost business and new blacktop he had put down was destroyed. Mr. Gaudio suggested Pennoni could find someone else to repair since Mr. Findley does not want Damon on the property. A possible partial payment may be made to Damon until there is a resolution to this problem.

3. Mr. Cooke – Rodney Ave.

The highway department did some drainage work on his property and he stated that they destroyed his shed, skateboard, bike and fence. His property lost value due to the work that was done. Mr. Needles said that he was evaluating the claim. An investigation was being done. He suggested that Mr. Cooke make copies of the

pictures that he had and drop them at the office. Mr. Catania or Mr. Needles will be in touch with Mr. Cooke via mail.

V. ENGINEER'S REPORT

1. Moved by Mr. Neary, seconded by Mr. Raikowski that an escrow release from Royal Farms, payable to the township, in the amount of \$10,483.75 is made for engineering and legal fees. Motion carried without dissent.
2. Moved by Ms. Whitaker, seconded by Mr. Raikowski that the county pays Premier for the 2014 CDBG Project. Motion carried without dissent.
3. 2015 CDBG is in design now.
4. Moved by Mr. Neary, seconded by Mr. Baiocco to pay \$121,956.35 to A. F. Damon for the 2015 road program with a condition that all items on the punch list are taken care of. \$10,000 is being held per Cardile issue. Motion carried without dissent.
5. Bernard Street drainage has been repaired by Monroe Energy.
6. Still reviewing the speed hump questions on Mill Road.
7. Moved by Mr. Baiocco, seconded by Mr. Neary to pay Flyway \$86,334.92 for the completion of the Jennifer Way streambank restoration. Motion carried without dissent.
8. Moved by Mr. Neary, seconded by Mr. Raikowski for final approval for the Galante dealership on Route 322. Motion carried without dissent.
9. Fizzano Brothers construction should begin in the summer of 2016.
10. Pennoni is waiting for a response about a meeting for the Route 322 & Sommers Lane PENNDOT options.

VI. SOLICITOR'S REPORT

1. Moved by Mr. Raikowski, seconded by Mr. Neary that a Resolution 15-44 for 305 & 307 Hanby Circle Stormwater easement agreement be adopted. Motion carried without dissent.
2. Moved by Mr. Neary, seconded by Mr. Raikowski that a Resolution 15-45 appointing the Township Manager as Secretary, Treasurer and Open Records Officer be adopted. Motion carried without dissent.
3. Moved by Mr. Neary, seconded by Mr. Raikowski that a Resolution 15-46 be adopted for Bond/Note refinancing. Motion carried without dissent.

VII. MANAGER'S REPORT

1. Mr. Needles reported that the leaf collection was started. They will be collected in recyclable bags on your normal trash day by a separate truck.
2. He stated he would like to look into ways to go paperless in the office.
3. He would like to have meetings for residents to teach them of the different codes that we have in the township.
4. Mr. Needles requested reimbursement for two associations that he has joined. Moved by Mr. Neary, seconded by Mr. Baiocco the motion was carried without dissent.

VIII. REPORTS OF COMMISSIONERS

- A. Highway & Sanitation, Street Lighting & Traffic Signals, Library – Mr. Baiocco-Chairman**
 1. Moved by Mr. Baiocco, seconded by Mr. Neary that Samuel Rudolph be hired for the highway department. Motion carried without dissent.
 2. The Johnson Control project for new street lights contract is being signed and a deposit will be sent.
- B. Recreation, Sewer & Water – Ms. Whitaker-Chairman**
 1. Reports are on file in the office.
 2. Recreation very busy this time of year – December 12th is lunch with Santa.
 3. The library has started their fundraising campaign.
- C. Fire & Safety, Zoning & Planning, Emergency Management – Mr. Raikowski-Chairman**
 1. Reports are on file in the office.
 2. Mr. Raikowski noted that we might need a deposit for the Emergency Management radios.
- D. Administration & Finance, Open Space, Shade Tree, & Grants – Mr. Neary-Chairman**
 1. Reports are on file in the office.
 2. Moved by Mr. Neary, seconded by Mr. Raikowski to approve the list of bills in the amount of \$408,111.53. Motion carried without dissent.
 3. Motion by Mr. Neary, seconded by Mr. Raikowski to approve the trash refund. Motion carried without dissent.
 4. Motion by Mr. Neary, seconded by Mr. Raikowski to move ahead with the debt refinancing. Motion carried without dissent.
 5. Johnson Control lighting project. Moved by Mr. Neary, seconded by Ms. Whitaker to authorize a down payment for this project. A check will be sent in the amount of \$234,454.00. Motion carried without dissent.

6. Mr. Neary noted that at the November caucus meeting the preliminary budget for 2016 was approved. This is the fifth year in a row that there has not been a tax increase.
7. Moved by Mr. Neary, seconded by Ms. Whitaker for the township manager to renew the workers comp. Motion carried without dissent.

E. Public Safety, License & Inspection, Historical Society – Mr. Gaudioso-Chairman

1. Chester County Animal Control Agreement – 1 year contract has been agreed on.
2. The Business License renewals will be going out on December 15, 2015.
3. Mr. Gaudioso had some discussion about the repository list. More than one person is interested in property. Mr. Catania will look into the legality of how to handle.
4. We are moving ahead on the Ordinance Codification. Moved by Mr. Neary, seconded by Ms. Whitaker to advertise the new ordinances. Motion carried without dissent.
5. Mr. Gaudioso suggested Mr. Needles and Mr. Campanini work together on the Township website.
6. It has been decided that the Board of Health will meet quarterly rather than once a month.
7. Mr. Gaudioso suggested that everyone work on dates for the 2016 calendar and present at the December meeting.
8. Mr. Gaudioso thanked Mr. Neary for all of his time and effort on the 2016 budget.


IX. NEW BUSINESS

There was none to discuss.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mr. Neary, seconded by Mr. Raikowski to adjourn at 8:50 p.m. Motion carried without dissent.

Respectfully submitted,



Diane Walls
Assistant Township Secretary