

TOWNSHIP OF DERRY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 1, 2015

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman John W. Foley, Jr., called the December 1, 2015 Regular Meeting of the Township of Derry Board of Supervisors to order at 7:00 p.m. in the meeting room of the Township of Derry Municipal Complex, 600 Clearwater Road, Hershey, PA. He advised that all public meetings are recorded for the purpose of providing accurate minutes. After the pledge of Allegiance, a roll call was conducted.

IN ATTENDANCE:

SUPERVISORS

John W. Foley, Jr., Chairman
Marc A. Moyer, Vice Chairman
Justin C. Engle, Secretary
Sandy A. Ballard
Matthew A. Weir

ALSO PRESENT:

James N. Negley, Township Manager and Treasurer
Jill Henry, Assistant Township Manager
Chuck Emerick, Director of Community Development
Robert Piccolo, Assistant Director of Public Works
Patrick O'Rourke, Chief of Police
Matthew Mandia, Director of Parks and Recreation
Lauren Zumbrun, Economic Development Manager
Cheryl L. Lontz, Manager of Payroll and Employee
Barbara Ellis, Director of Hershey Public Library
Matt Bonanno, HRG Engineer
Julie Echterling, Recorder

Public in Attendance:

The following were in attendance: Elvira Ebling, Ken Gall, Sandy Cappelli, Rich Cappelli, Wayne Schutz, Peter Folez, Susan Cort, Edward Ruth, Betsy Ruth and Julie Waldron.

VISITOR/PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Maria McAndrews, 115 Oak Lane, spoke about having a hard time hearing the Board when they aren't speaking into their microphones. She asked if there is an adaptive system to help those with hearing problems. Mrs. Henry provided her with assistance.

NEW BUSINESS:

DRAFT RESOLUTION NO. 144 – COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Mr. Emerick provided the Board with a draft resolution for the Comprehensive plan for the Township. He stated the plans are adopted by resolution. Typically the "WHEREAS" statements within the resolution describe the topic, the history, context, and actions taken leading to the resolution of the full document, which bodies were involved in reviewing and advising on the document, and the general nature of the item being adopted.

Supervisor Moyer expressed great concerns about Middletown Road. He discussed his concerns with added construction without the infrastructure to support the changes. He is concerned about the definitions pertaining to residential development. He is concerned the proposed plan could be a legal stepping stone for rezoning before the area is ready. He feels Middletown Road is at its capacity with traffic now, plus the impending truck traffic. He wants services for the residents in the area of Middletown Road and realizes their needs, but would like to see the infrastructure built first.

Chairman Foley stated he has seen the traffic on Middletown Road and believes it is more about the time of day for the traffic issues. He believes adding services to Middletown Road would help with the traffic. He spoke about the retail space that is being added in addition to the Sheetz. Supervisor Engle

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and Ballard spoke about adding timing/phasing language to the plan. They believe the focus should be on developing areas already developed and promoting the downtown first. Discussion ensued. Chairman Foley asked if the intentions of the Board could be added to the plan.

Mr. Emerick spoke about the November 6th letter from the consultants stating the Board would not be compelled to comply with the Comprehensive Plan. He stated the suggestions of the Board can be added to the document as a whereas sentence. He will send to the Board proposed language changes to the plan for them to review.

RESOLUTION NO. 1445 – 2016 BUDGET AND
RESOLUTION NO. 1445 REAL ESATE TAXES FOR 2016

Mr. Negley stated the Township budget has been on public display since November 6, 2015. He stated he received no public comments on it. He stated total revenues are equal to \$25,914,697 with expenditures of \$23,726,533. He stated the 2016 budget proposes no tax increase.

Supervisor Weir thanked the staff for their work on the budget. He spoke about concerns about the Library and Recreation Center having to skimp on things for their facilities. He spoke about being forward thinking about thinkg like cutting down the amount of turf the Township takes care of and the communication center and possibility consolidating them in the future. He also discussed monitoring the services the Township provides to entities and share in the cost of them.

Supervisor Ballard made a motion to approve Resolution No. 1445, a resolution of the Township of Derry, appropriating specific sums estimated to be required for specific purposes of the municipal government as herein set forth in the total amount of \$23,726,533 for the year 2016. Vice Chairman Moyer seconded the motion. **Motion carried 5-0.**

Supervisor Ballard made a motion to approve Resolution No. 1446, a resolution of the Township of Derry, Dauphin County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, establishing the Real Estate Millage rate for 2016 at 1.4466 mills. Vice Chairman Moyer seconded the motion. **Motion carried 5-0.**

HRG PROPOSAL FOR FINAL DESIGN – PARK BLVD REALIGNMENT PROJECT

Mr. Negley discussed the request to accept a proposal from Herbert, Rowland & Grubic, Inc. to provide additional services for the Final Design of the Park Boulevard Realignment Project, Supplemental A. HRG was required to provide Supplemental Final Design Professional Services for the Park Boulevard Realignment Project due to unforeseen conditions or changing requirements. The total of these additional costs are \$162,380.00. Dauphin County has agreed to fund 50% or \$81,190.00 using Liquid Fuels Aid. The Township has agreed to evaluate and discuss with the other Stakeholders funding the remaining 50%. Chairman Foley stated they have commitments for one-third of the 50% and is in the process of obtaining additional support. Supervisor Engle asked if it could be tabled until the other funding is secured. Discussion ensued.

Vice Chairman Moyer made a motion to table this item until next meeting. Supervisor Engle seconded the motion. **Motion carried 5-0.**

ARTICLE OF INCORPRATION CHANGES FOR AUTHORITY:

Mrs. Zumbrun discussed seeking authorization to advertise an ordinance amending the Articles of Incorporation of the Derry Township Municipal Authority to provide for the ownership, operation,

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and management of stormwater systems and appointment of Derry Township Stormwater Stakeholder Advisory Committee. She stated this represents the next step in the process of transitioning storm water responsibilities from the Township to the Derry Township Municipal Authority (DTMA). DTMA passed a resolution approving an amendment to the Authority's Articles of Incorporation to also provide for storm water system planning, management, and implementation. The Resolution requires that the Derry Township Board of Supervisors adopt an ordinance to also adopt and approve the amendment to the Authority's Articles of Incorporation. In addition, DTMA is working with HRG to review and develop the program. Their process recommends that the Board of Supervisors appoint a Stormwater Stakeholder Advisory Committee to ensure the Authority adequately serves all members of the community. She provided a list of proposed members for the Committee.

Supervisor Engle and a motion authorizing the advertisement of the draft ordinance amending the Articles of Incorporation of the Derry Township Municipal Authority to provide for the ownership, operation, and management of storm water systems, and appoint the suggested individuals to the Derry Township Stormwater Stakeholder Advisory Committee. Supervisor Weir seconded the motion.
Motion carried 5-0.

PERFORMANCE SECURITY RELEASE – PA STATE POLICE HISTORICAL, EDUCATIONAL, AND MEMORIAL CENTER:

Chairman Foley made a motion authorizing the Township to release \$110,782.37 from the performance security held as Members 1st Federal Credit Union Letter of Credit No. 455655-0001 for the Preliminary/Final Land Development Plan for the Pennsylvania State Police Historical, Educational, and Memorial Center, Plat #1241, resulting in a new balance of \$38,221.98. Vice Chairman Moyer seconded the motion. **Motion carried 5-0.**

CORRESPONDENCE BOARD/COMMITTEE INFORMATION:

Supervisor Engle asked Mr. Emerick for a progress report on the property maintenance plan. Mr. Emerick stated he will reveal what he has compiled at the next meeting. He will also have a guest speaker at the meeting to discuss foreclosures and dealing with them.

Supervisor Ballard asked the pedestrian crossing at Hockersville. Mr. Piccolo stated he would look into this as he isn't sure it has been installed.

Chairman Foley stated the fire station project is going well and they are working on fundraising.

REPORTS:

Public Works – Mr. Piccolo stated this will be the last week for leaf pickup.

Library – Mrs. Ellis spoke on the programs offered at the library in December for both children and adults.

Engineer - Mr. Bonanno stated they have provided notice to the contractor for the Locust and Java project.

Community Development – Mr. Emerick stated he is working with the Zoning Committee.

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Economic Development – Mrs. Zumbrun stated she is working on a grant that will be before the Board next meeting.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE and PAYROLL:

Supervisor Engle made a motion to approve accounts payable in the amount of \$2,534.43 and Payroll in the amount of \$0. Vice Chairman Moyer seconded the motion. **Motion carried 5-0.**

VISITOR/PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were no comments from the public.

ADJOURNMENT:

Vice Chairman Moyer made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 pm. Supervisor Ballard seconded the motion. **Motion carried 5-0.**

SUBMITTED BY:

Justin C. Engle
Township Secretary

Julie Echterling
Recorder