

**PUBLIC HEARINGS – 6:30 P.M. - Continuation of Historic Preservation
7:00 P.M. – Flood Plain Conservation District**

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**REGULAR MEETING
Board of Commissioners
Township of Haverford**

**November 9, 2009
MONDAY- 7:30 P.M.
Commissioners Meeting Room**

1. Opening of Meeting – William F. Wechsler, President, opened the meeting.

a. Roll Call – 8 Commissioners were present at roll call: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, Broido and Wechsler. Commissioner D’Emilio arrived after roll call.

Also present were: Lawrence J. Gentile, Township Manager, Lori Widdop and Tim Denny, Assistant Township Managers, James J. Byrne, Jr., Esquire, and Lauren Rogan, Esquire, Township Solicitors, Aimee Cuthbertson, Finance Director and David Pennoni, Township Engineer.

b. Opening prayer recited by Rev. Nishan Bakalian, Armenian Martyrs Congregation

c. Pledge of Allegiance led by Chief Carmen Pettine

2. Proclamations – Susan Cook and Nancy Guerra – Health Department staff

Proclamations were presented to Susan Cook and Nancy Guerra by Commissioner McGarrity, Carl Spangler, Health Department Director and Henry Eichman, Health Advisory Board Member.

3. Presentation by David Rohde, Esquire, Civil Service Solicitor

Mr. Rohde indicated that the Civil Service Commission has been meeting to discuss amendments and changes to current Civil Service Regulations. The Board of Commissioners will either adopt or vote no - after two readings.

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Mr. Rohde indicated that since 1992, numerous statutory changes have happened:

- a. Veteran's Preference Act
- b. Rule of 3
- c. Townships are no longer being reimbursed by the state for Act 120.

The Commission used model regs as framework and plugged in our recommendations to formulate these proposed new regulations.

The Board began discussing various sections. The Commission is recommending that communication with applications be also done by email.

They are requesting that entry level percentages be changed from 70% written and 30% orals to 50/50.

They are requesting that Sergeants promotional testing stays the same: 60% written and 40% oral.

Deputy Chief is 100% oral.

Discussion also consisted of procedures for disciplining actions of a police officer.

4. Citizens' Forum – 20 Minutes Registered Speakers/20 Minutes Agenda Items

Michael Levin – 414 Mill Road – Superfund Site and Deer

Mr. Levin spoke on the YMCA Lease Agreement – is it completed yet?

Please take a greater degree of caution on the deer kill this year.

Jan Marie Rushforth – 3700 Darby Road

She is glad to see good things happening at the Haverford Reserve: going for grants, picnic pavilion and maps on the Natural Lands Trust website.

She announced the 25th Anniversary Luncheon for DCVA.

She also provided condolences on the passing Mr. Bill Davis.

END OF REGISTERED SPEAKERS

OPEN FORUM

Richard Houseworth – 129 Landover Road

Mr. Houseworth spoke on various subjects: leaf collection, wasted money, township services and what was the actual cost of the new circle on at Stockton Road?

Michael Levin – 414 Mill Road

Mr. Levin asked what will the computer software be doing and what about potential cost upgrades in years to come?

He would like to see an accounting of the Haverford Reserve proceeds.

Jeff Miller – Library Board

The Library Board of Trustees is recommending Sarah Antonelli to fill the unexpired term.

Mr. Healy – 203 Fairlamb Avenue

Mr. Healy wants the Board to help the people in the area of the recent Hathaway Lane bridge collapse as soon as possible.

END OF OPEN FORUM

Responses to Citizens' Forum by William F. Wechsler

Mr. Wechsler thanked Mr. Levin and stated that due to a change in counsel, new counsel is in the process of reviewing the lease agreement and it should be completed within the month.

Mr. Wechsler thanked Ms. Rushforth and said that the luncheon will be held in the banquet facility at McCall Field.

Mr. Wechsler stated that Public Works Department does post signs indicating when leaves will be collected in each Ward. The total cost of the circle at Stockton Road was \$1,400.

The Board will be discussing the computer software item later in the meeting. Commissioner Siegel will highlight the contract.

Mr. Wechsler thanked Mr. Miller for the recommendation to the Library Board and will take the recommendation into consideration.

The E. Hathaway Lane Bridge contract will be approved tonight.

5. Approval of Minutes - Regular Meeting of October 13, 2009

Motion made by Commissioner Holmes and seconded by Commissioner Oliva to approve the regular meeting minutes of October 13, 2009.

Roll Called.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, Broido, D'Emilio and Wechsler.

6. Motion made by Commissioner McGarrity and seconded by Commissioner Oliva to approve warrants the following warrants:

G.F. P/R Warrant No. 309	in the amount of	\$ 550,440.95
G.F. P/R Warrant No. 310	in the amount of	\$ 507,528.74
G. F. Bus. Warrant No. 796	in the amount of	\$ 1,918,954.15
S.F. P/R Warrant No. 407	in the amount of	\$ 26,077.50
S.F. P/R Warrant No. 408	in the amount of	\$ 22,603.04
S.F. Bus. Warrant No. 795	in the amount of	\$ 108,663.88
Comm Development 12-9and 13-09	in the amount of	\$ 217,409.14
Bond Issue Warrant No. 1-09	in the amount of	\$ 901.50
Merry Place Warrant No. 1-09	in the amount of	\$ 1,200.00
Cable Access Warrant No. 1-09	in the amount of	\$ 9,760.20

Roll Called.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, Broido, D'Emilio and Wechsler.

7. Ordinance No. P18-2009 Preservation of Historic Resources (1st Reading)

Motion made by Commissioner McGarrity and seconded by Commissioner Oliva to adopt the first reading of Ordinance No. P18-2009 by revising Chapter 182, Zoning, Article XIII, by revising standards for the preservation of Historic Resources.

Roll Called.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, McGarrity, Broido, D'Emilio and Wechsler.

Voting No: Commissioner Holmes

**8. Ordinance No. P24-2009 Repealing Chapter 134: Poles/Wires
(2nd Reading)**

Motion made by Commissioner Trumbull and seconded by Commissioner Siegel to adopt the second reading of Ordinance No. P24-2009 by repealing Chapter 134: Poles/Wires.

Roll Called.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, Broido, D'Emilio and Wechsler.

9. Ordinance No. P25-2009 Flood Plain Management (1st Reading)

Motion made by Commissioner Holmes and seconded by Commissioner Trumbull to adopt the first reading of Ordinance No. P25-2009 further revising Chapter 182 (Zoning), Section 604 (Flood Plain Conservation District) to ensure compliance with the National Flood Insurance Program and the Pennsylvania Act 166 Requirements.

Roll Called.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, Broido, D'Emilio and Wechsler.

10. Ordinance No. P27-2009

Traffic (2nd Reading)

Motion made by Commissioner Holmes and seconded by Commissioner Trumbull to adopt the second reading of Ordinance No. P27-2009 authorizing traffic restrictions on the following highways:

**Special Purpose Parking at: 2421 Winnfield Drive
158 Juniper Road
143 Juniper Road**

Roll Called.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, Broido, D'Emilio and Wechsler.

11. Ordinance No. P28-2009

**Amendment to Civil Service Regulations
(1st Reading)**

Motion made by Commissioner McGarrity and seconded by Commissioner D'Emilio to adopt the first reading of Ordinance No. P28-2009 amending the Township of Haverford's Civil Service Commission's Regulations.

*****changes recommended will be incorporated before the 2nd Reading in December.**

Roll Called.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, Broido, D'Emilio and Wechsler.

12. Resolution No. 1731-2009

Sewer Module – 1301 Fairview Road

Motion made by Commissioner Heilmann and seconded by Commissioner Oliva to adopt Resolution No. 1731-2009 by proposing to revise its Sewage Facilities Plan (ACT 537 Plan) by executing a sewage facilities planning module for the addition of 262.5 gallons per day (one EDU) in the Darby Creek Drainage System, associated with the subdivision of the property at 1301 Fairview Avenue into two (2) lots, including one (1) existing residence at the intersection of Fairview Avenue and Forest Lane.

Roll Called.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, Broido, D'Emilio and Wechsler.

13. Resolution No. 1732-2009

**Sewer Module – Merion Golf Club
450 Ardmore Avenue**

Motion made by Commissioner Heilmann and seconded by Commissioner Trumbull to adopt Resolution No. 1732-2009 by proposing to revise its Sewage Facilities Plan (ACT 537 Plan) by executing a sewage facilities planning module for the addition of 1,650 gallons per day (six EDUs) in the Cobbs Creek Drainage System, associated with the demolition of the existing two-story maintenance facility and reconstruction of two new maintenance buildings and ancillary improvements such as parking and storm water management facilities on the Merion Golf Club property at 450 Ardmore Avenue, Ardmore, Haverford Township, Delaware County, PA.

Due to DEP Permits not received yet, Commissioner Heilmann made a motion to TABLE this Resolution which was seconded by Commissioner McGarrity.

All in Favor to TABLE

Roll Called.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, Broido, D'Emilio and Wechsler.

14. Resolution No. 1733-2009

Reduction in Police Pension Contribution

Motion made by Commissioner Broido and seconded by Commissioner Oliva to adopt Resolution No. 1733-2009 reducing the Police Officer's Police Pension Contribution to 4.5%.

Roll Called.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, Broido, D'Emilio and Wechsler.

15. Resolution No. 1734-2009

**Community Environmental/Rec Center
Grant**

Motion made by Commissioner Oliva and seconded by Commissioner D'Emilio to adopt Resolution No. 1734-2009 authorizing the filing of an application \$1,000,000 in grant funding through the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program (RACP) to fund the construction of The Community Environmental and Recreation Center in Community Park at Haverford Reserve.

Roll Called.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, Broido, D'Emilio and Wechsler.

16. Appointment to Library Board of Trustees

Motion made by Commissioner Holmes and seconded by Commissioner Trumbull to appoint Sarah Antonelli to fill the unexpired three (3) year term on the Library Board of Trustees to expire December 31, 2010.

Motion made by Commissioner McGarrity and seconded by Commissioner Siegel to TABLE.

Roll Called to TABLE

**Voting Yes: Commissioner Oliva, Siegel, Heilmann, McGarrity and D'Emilio.
Voting No: Commissioner Trumbull, Holmes, Broido and Wechsler.**

TABLED 5-4.

17. Contract Awards/Purchases

Codes Department - Purchase of Software

Motion made by Commissioner Holmes and seconded by Commissioner Siegel to authorize the purchase of Permit, Code Enforcement, Zoning and License Software; Core System Property Management, Mapping and Document Management Software, including the license fee, in the amount of \$49,500.00 from Carroll Engineering Corporation of Warrington, PA

Roll Called.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, Broido, D'Emilio and Wechsler.

Voting No: Commissioner McGarrity

Picnic Pavilion at Haverford Reserve

Motion made by Commissioner Oliva and seconded by Commissioner McGarrity to approve the contract to Recreation Resource, Inc. in the amount of \$19,400 for a wooden picnic pavilion 30'x55', purchased through the COSTARS State Contract program using funds from the Haverford Reserve proceeds.

Roll Called.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, Broido, D'Emilio and Wechsler.

West Hathaway Lane Bridge Replacement

Motion made by Commissioner Trumbull and seconded by Commissioner McGarrity to award the West Hathaway Lane Bridge Replacement Contract to Wexcon, Inc., Mohrsville, PA, in the amount of \$230,350.00, submitting the lowest responsible bid.

Motion revised to add: contingent upon the receipt of the required permit from DEP and furnishing of required bonding and insurance.

Roll Called.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, Broido, D'Emilio and Wechsler.

Continuation of Citizen's Forum - Non-Agenda items

Mr. Pratt reminded everyone to remember Norman Barr and those that were killed in the line of duty and those Veterans that served in armed forces.

Mr. Houseworth stated that too much emphasis is being placed on oral scores and not academic scores regarding Police testing.

Other business

Mario Oliva – 2nd Ward Commissioner

Commissioner Oliva thanked everyone involved in working the polls on Election Day (many other Commissioners stated the same).

Rob Trumbull – 3rd Ward Commissioner

Nothing to report this month.

Dan Siegel – 4th Ward Commissioner

Commissioner Siegel thanked St. George's Church for moving the location to the Chapel.

Jeff Heilmann – 5th Ward Commissioner

Commissioner Heilmann congratulated the Haverford Youth Football Team and Cheerleaders.

Sisters of the Holy Rosary will be holding a bazaar on November 14, 2009 from 9 -3 in the Grimes Center. Santa will be there from 10:30 – 12:30 p.m.

Freedom Playground Spaghetti Dinner will be held on November 29, 2009 from 4:30 – 7:30 at Sts Neumann Coleman. Cost per family is \$25.00

Tom Broido – 8th Ward Commissioner

Commissioner Broido explained how Veterans' Day came about.

Commissioner Broido thanked everyone that voted. The 8th Ward had the highest turnout. He urged residents to work and help Chris Connell.

William F. Wechsler – 9th Ward Commissioner

Mr. Wechsler announced that Hilltop Civic Association's quarterly meeting is scheduled for November 19th. This is also his regular resident meeting.

All were in favor to adjourn.

