

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING
Board of Commissioners
Township of Haverford

October 15, 2013
Tuesday - 7:30 P.M.
Commissioners Meeting Room

1. **Opening of Meeting** – Mario A. Oliva, President, opened the meeting

- a. **Roll Call** – All Commissioners were present at roll call: Commissioners D’Emilio, Hall, Siegel, Holmes, McGarrity, Connell, Wechsler, Heilmann and Oliva.

Also present were: Lawrence J. Gentile, Township Manager, Jonathan Calpas, Township Auditor, Adam Matlawski, Esquire, Township Solicitor, Lori Widdop and Tim Denny, Assistant Township Managers, Deputy Chief, John Viola, James McCans, Director/Paramedics, Aimee Cuthbertson, Finance Director and Dave Pennoni, Township Engineer.

- b. **Opening prayer** led by Rev David Stipp –Bethune, Llanerch Presbyterian

- c. **Pledge of Allegiance** led by Deputy Chief John Viola

2. **Presentation by County Council Members** – County Business District Presentation

County Council Members and others from the county presented a 10 Year Strategy Plan for Economic and job growth. Various slides included:

Develop city assets, develop marketing and communication, maximize existing transit assets, reach out to developers and development of the waterfront.

This requires cooperation from the municipalities, school districts and institutions.

3. **Proclamations** – Brian Barrett – 25 Years with Parks & Recreation Department
Andy Tucker – Haverford Township Paramedic

Commissioners Oliva, D’Emilio and Assistant Township Manager, Tim Denny presented a proclamation to Brian Barrett for his 25 years of service in the Parks and Recreation Department.

Commissioners Wechsler and Heilmann presented Paramedic Andy Tucker a proclamation for his recent off duty rescue and evacuation of a family on Burmont Road due to a house fire.

4. **Township Auditor Update**

All Mr. Calpas’s questions were answered satisfactorily.

* Commissioner McGarrity provided a recap of the Property Committee's recent duties:

They prioritized - as a Committee - township owned buildings in need of repair/replacement:

- a. The Public Works Garage
- b. Police Department
- c. Township Building

Conversations began to either repair or include the Library in the plans at Vet's Field. Commissioner McGarrity indicated that the township does not own the Library. 128 more parking spots would be required (which the current plan does not include and the cost would be more per sq. foot to include a new Library).

No final recommendations, decisions or votes have been made by the Committee or the Board of Commissioners. Dollar figures will soon be available and more discussions to follow.

5. Citizens Forum – 20 Minutes Registered Speakers
Open Forum – Agenda Items Only

Mike Kandravi – YMCA Board Member

He thanked township, state and county officials for all their help.
The new Y passed membership expectations.
The Y's mission statement: Youth, Health and Social Living

Joan Graves – Pension Question

Why she was not entitled to former deceased employee's pension or his children?

Jean Angell – 25 Tenby Road -Tree Tenders

25 large trees are available to township residents for planting on October 27th.
Request forms need to be submitted by October 18th.
Trees will also be available for planting in parks on October 23rd and 24th.

The Tree Tenders received the 2013 Community Green Award.

Sheryl Forrest-Grupp – 107 Llandaff Road - the Library

The Library is for everyone. The Library is a place to build skills. Please support the Library.

Stacey O'Leary – 109 Tenby Road - the Library

The Library is a community center. Preserve the Free Library. It is a way to meet new people.

OPEN FORUM

Andrea Gamber – 152 Upland – Speed Bumps

Ms. Gamber inquired about the Speed Bumps that will be installed on Upland Road, when and how many?

RESPONSES TO CITIZENS FORUM

In response to the Library statements: More discussions will take place. More financial information is required.

In response to Mrs. Graves: The township solicitor's office will review and respond to Mrs. Graves.

In response to Ms. Gamber: Township engineer indicated that the speed bumps are similar to the ones on Steel Road.

END OF CITIZENS' FORUM

6. Approval of Minutes Regular Meeting Minutes – September 9, 2013

Motion made by Commissioner Wechsler and seconded by Commissioner Holmes to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of September 9, 2013

Roll Called.

All Commissioners Voted Yes: Commissioners D'Emilio, Hall, Siegel, Holmes, McGarrity, Connell, Wechsler, Heilmann and Oliva.

***Commissioner Siegel made a motion to move Item #17 up to #7. Commissioner Wechsler seconded the motion.**

7. Authorization – Conditional Use – Haverford Reserve

Motion made by Commissioner Siegel and seconded by Commissioner Holmes to authorize amendment of a Conditional Use Order for Haverford Reserve.

Roll Called.

7 Commissioners Voted Yes: Commissioners Hall, Siegel, Holmes, Connell, Wechsler, Heilmann and Oliva.

2 Commissioners Voted No: Commissioners D'Emilio and McGarrity

8. Approval of Warrants

Motion made by Commissioner Holmes and seconded by Commissioner Siegel to approve the following warrants #10-2013 totaling: \$4,846,555.84

General & Sewer fund Payroll for September 12, 2013 in the amount of \$601,085.45

General & Sewer fund Payroll for September 26, 2013 in the amount of \$649,510.12

General Fund disbursements #10-2013 in the amount of \$3,250,515.50

Sewer Fund disbursements #10-2013 in the amount of \$155,448.59

Community Development Block Grant Fund #10-2013 in the amount of \$74,285.50

Capital Projects Fund disbursements #10-2013 in the amount of \$104,157.25

Credit Card Statement ending September 6, 2013 in the amount of \$11,553.43

Roll Called.

All Commissioners Voted Yes: Commissioners D’Emilio, Hall, Siegel, Holmes, McGarrity, Connell, Wechsler, Heilmann and Oliva.

9. Ordinance No. P23-2013 Portable Storage Units (1st Reading)

Motion made by Commissioner Hall and seconded by Commissioner Siegel to adopt the first reading of Ordinance No. P23-2013 further revising chapter 182 (zoning) by defining and adding provisions for portable storage units as a temporary accessory use in certain residential districts and corresponding standards and definitions.

Roll Called.

8 Commissioners Voted Yes: Commissioners D’Emilio, Hall, Holmes, McGarrity, Connell, Wechsler, Heilmann and Oliva.

Commissioner Siegel was absent from the vote.

10. Ordinance No. P27-2013 Traffic (2nd Reading)

Motion made by Commissioner D’Emilio and seconded by Commissioner Connell to adopt the second reading of Ordinance No. P27-2013 authorizing traffic restrictions on the following highways:

Prohibiting the Parking of Trucks over 8,000 pounds

Both sides of the 200 block of Walnut Hill Lane – between Rose Tree Lane and Westgate Road

Roll Called.

8 Commissioners Voted Yes: Commissioners D’Emilio, Hall, Holmes, McGarrity, Connell, Wechsler, Heilmann and Oliva.

Commissioner Siegel was absent from the vote.

11. Ordinance No. P28-2013 Traffic (2nd Reading)

Motion made by Commissioner Heilmann and seconded by Commissioner Wechsler to adopt the second reading of Ordinance No. P28-2013 authorizing traffic restrictions on the following highways:

Sticker Parking Only amending Old Lancaster Road (added 6-9-80 by Resolution No. 505-80) to be --

the even side of Old Lancaster from Dayton to 40 feet past 640 Old Lancaster - sticker parking only for residents of 626, 628, 630, 632, 634, 636 and 640.

Roll Called.

8 Commissioners Voted Yes: Commissioners D’Emilio, Hall, Holmes, McGarrity, Connell, Wechsler, Heilmann and Oliva.

Commissioner Siegel was absent from the vote.

11. Ordinance No. P29-2013 Traffic (1st Reading)

Motion made by Commissioner Connell and seconded by Commissioner McGarrity to adopt the first reading of Ordinance No. P29-2013 establishing traffic restrictions on the following highways:

Install STOP Signs -

On Pickwick Road at the intersection of Devon Road.

On Merrybrook Drive at the intersection of Colfax Road – creating a four way stop

On Tenby Road at the intersection of E. Park Road – creating a three way stop

On Llandillo Road at the intersection of Bewley Road – creating a three way stop

INSTALL SPEED HUMPS

On Upland Road between Manoa Road and Washington Avenue.

PARKING OF VEHICLES PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES, subsection 175-91, schedule xvi amended to include:

The East side of Darby Road from Langhorne Avenue to a point 30 feet south.

Roll Called.

All Commissioners Voted Yes: Commissioners D’Emilio, Hall, Siegel, Holmes, McGarrity, Connell, Wechsler, Heilmann and Oliva.

13. Resolution No. 1903-2013 Delaware County ACT 537 Plan Update

Motion made by Commissioner McGarrity and seconded by Commissioner Wechsler to adopt Resolution No. 1903-2013 that the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Haverford hereby accepts and adopts the “Delaware County Act 537 Sewage Facilities Plan Update: Eastern Service Area” prepared by the Delaware County Planning Department, June, 2013, as an amendment to the official plan for sewage facilities in compliance with the Pennsylvania Sewage Facilities Act of 1966. Haverford Township hereby assures the Department that it will implement the said plan within the time limits established in the implementation schedule found on page 7-7 of the plan, as required by law. (Section 5, Pennsylvania Sewage Facilities Act, as amended).

Roll Called.

8 Commissioners Voted Yes: D’Emilio, Hall, Siegel, Holmes, McGarrity, Connell, Wechsler and Oliva

Commissioner Heilmann was absent from the vote.

14. Resolution No. 1904-2013 Subdivision – 303 Bewley Road

Motion made by Commissioner McGarrity and seconded by Commissioner D’Emilio to adopt Resolution No. 1904-2013 approving the Minor Subdivision Plan for Sposato Homes, for the property at 303 Bewley Avenue, Haverford Township, Delaware County, and known as D.C. Folio No. 22-02-00017-00 has been submitted to permit the subdivision of the existing 22,000 square foot lot into two 11,000 square foot parcels of land. The subject property is zoned R-4 Residential District, and is located in the 2nd Ward. The aforesaid plans were prepared by Catania Engineering Associates, Inc., dated July 2, 2013 and last revised on September 3, 2013; subject to the recommendations of the Planning Commission.

Roll Called.

8 Commissioners Votes Yes: Commissioners Hall, Siegel, Holmes, McGarrity, Connell, Wechsler, Heilmann and Oliva.

Commissioners D’Emilio abstained.

15. Resolution No. 1906-2013 Change of Custodian of Pension Advisor INR

Motion made by Commissioner D’Emilio and seconded by Commissioner Holmes to adopt Resolution No. 1906-2013 that The Board hereby moves to terminate, effective immediately, the services of Charles Schwab and the Township Manager is authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to facilitate the termination of said relationship, including the Notice of Termination and Letter of instruction and that the Board approves that naming of TD Ameritrade as Custodian of the Police and Non-Uniform Retirement Plans managed by InR Advisory Services and authorizes the Township Manager to execute any and all documents necessary to facilitate the custodian relationship.

Roll Called.

All Commissioners Voted Yes: Commissioners D’Emilio, Hall, Siegel, Holmes, McGarrity, Connell, Wechsler, Heilmann and Oliva.

**16. Resolution No. 1908-2013 Support of State Rep Vitali – Radar Enforcement
In Haverford Township by Police Department**

Motion made by Commissioner Holmes and seconded by Commissioner Hall to adopt Resolution No. 1908-2013 approving Resolution No. 1908-2013 A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HAVERFORD, SUPPORTING STATE REPRESENTATIVE GREG VITALI’S PROPOSED CHANGES TO LEGISLATURE FOR THE USE OF RADAR TECHNOLOGY, BY MUNICIPAL POLICE OFFICERS, IN THE ENFORCEMENT OF SPEEDING VIOLATIONS.

Roll Called.

8 Commissioners Voted Yes: Commissioners D’Emilio, Hall, Siegel, Holmes, Connell, Wechsler, Heilmann and Oliva.

Commissioner McGarrity voted No.

**17. Resolution No. 1909-2013 CDBG – Prohibiting Excessive Force against any
individual engaged in nonviolent civil rights
demonstrations**

Motion made by Commissioner Siegel and seconded by Commissioner D’Emilio to adopt Resolution No. 1909-2013 acknowledging that the Township of Haverford has received a Community Development Block Grant and is required to comply with the Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act and failure to enforce such policies may cause the Township of Haverford to lose its grant or eligibility for future federal grants and that it is the policy of the Township that excessive force by local law enforcement agencies shall not be used against individuals engaged in lawful and nonviolent rights demonstrations within the Township of Haverford boundaries.

Roll Called.

All Commissioners Voted Yes: Commissioners D'Emilio, Hall, Siegel, Holmes, McGarrity, Connell, Wechsler, Heilmann and Oliva.

18. Continuation of Citizen's Forum for Non-Agenda Items

Allison Bausman – 5 Waverly Road – the Library

Where do other Commissioners stand on the Library?

Response: All financial numbers are not available.

Maria Pardini – Woodland Drive

Ms. Pardini thanked Commissioner Oliva for the new crosswalk and the lights on Manoa Road.

19. New business

Commissioner Holmes indicated that before the next meeting, the Redistricting process needs to begin.

Commissioner Heilmann made a motion which was seconded by Commissioner Holmes to have Township Solicitor's office represent the township on the new challenge to the Billboard Ordinance.

Roll Called.

All Commissioners Voted Yes: Commissioners D'Emilio, Hall, Siegel, Holmes, McGarrity, Connell, Wechsler, Heilmann and Oliva.

20. Other business

Steve D'Emilio – 1st Ward Commissioner

All are welcome on October 20th, 2 p.m. to walk the new trail – from Merry Place to Hilltop Road.

Commissioner D'Emilio thanked Sandy Donato for attending many Zoning Hearing Board meetings.

He thanked all EMS for the outstanding work they do.

He asked for an update on the new SEPTA stop on Eagle at Maryland. He wants it removed. Ms. Widdop has been in touch with Frank Kelly at SEPTA.

Jane Hall – 3rd Ward Commissioner

Commissioner Hall thanked the Tree Tenders for their work and congratulated Haverford Green for winning the Horticultural Award for their plantings at the Triangle on Darby Road.

Dan Siegel, Esquire – 4th Ward Commissioner

Commissioner Siegel thanked all township officials for coming out for his constituent meeting.

He asked residents to be patient with the light timings on Eagle Road – they are still working on it; as well as new traffic changes on Lawrence Road.

Larry Holmes, Esquire – 6th Ward Commissioner

Commissioner Holmes also thanked township officials for coming out for his constituent meeting.

He reminded everyone to come out and vote.

Jeff Heilmann – 5th Ward Commissioner

Commissioner Heilmann announced that on Saturday, October 19th, Sts Coleman/Neumann will have a Saints Stomp and money raised will go towards the school.

Jim McGarrity – 7th Ward Commissioner

Commissioner McGarrity congratulated Testa's Bakery on their 30th Anniversary – located on Brookline Boulevard.

He welcomed the O'Kane family as the new owners of the Café in the Skatium.

The Billy Lake Marathon was a tremendous success.

Llanerch Fire held their 100th Anniversary at the Radnor Hotel. It was a great time and a good job to those that put it all together – including Commissioner Connell.

Chris Connell, Sr. – 8th Ward Commissioner

The Grange Estate will hold their Harvest Moon and Chili Cook-off on Saturday, October 19th from 5 to 8 p.m.

Traffic calming measures that have been postponed for Manoa and Heatherwood Roads will happen next month or December.

8-4 will be back voting on Mill Road (the old Synagogue).

William F. Wechsler – 9th Ward Commissioner

The Bon Air Fire Company and Hilltop Civic Association will hold their annual Fall Festival and Pig Roast on Saturday, October 19th from 3 to 8 p.m.

Music Works will hold their concert by Cats Pajamas on October 20th. Music Works is for children with disabilities.

Mario Oliva – 2nd Ward Commissioner

Commissioner Oliva congratulated the Y. The Ribbon Cutting Ceremony was fantastic.

He did indicate that all the numbers are not available to repair or relocate the Library but he does support the Library. He needs to see all the financials first.

He also thanked Jean Angell for her due diligence with the Tree Tenders.

October 26th, the Police Station will be collecting legal prescription drugs no longer of use by individuals. A drop box is always available at the Police station.

21. All Commissioners agreed to adjourn.