

RICHLAND TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

August 15, 2018

PUBLIC MEETING

The Richland Township Board of Supervisors meeting held at the municipal building on Wednesday, August 15, 2018 was called to order at 7:00 PM. by Chairman, Raymond P. Kendrick. There were seven persons present in the audience. The Officials present were:

Raymond P. Kendrick, Chairman
George P. Allen, Vice Chairman
John A. Marshall, Supervisor
Donna L. Snyder, Supervisor

Dean E. Bastianini, Township Manager
Tina L. Shaw, Recording Secretary
Donald Palmer, Township Solicitor

Mr. Bastianini reported that Chris Nicols, an attorney representing Camille Holdings, had requested a postponement of the public hearing on the transfer of a restaurant liquor license to 4100 Grandview Drive until October 17, 2018.

Mr. Allen made a motion to grant the postponement. Ms. Snyder seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Mr. Marshall made a motion to approve the minutes from the Supervisors' Meeting of July 18, 2018. Ms. Snyder seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Mr. Kendrick asked if anyone in the audience wished to speak. Mr. Matthew Yesche, 5246 S. Montour Road expressed concern over the use of insecticides and motorists speeding on his street.

Mr. Kendrick stated that he and the other Supervisors, who are also members of the Northern Regional Police Department Executive Board, would raise the speeding issue at the next Police Board meeting. He also suggested that vascar lines could be painted on the road to assist police officers with speed enforcement. Mr. Bastianini promised to look into who was responsible for spraying the insecticide. He was confident that it was not the Township or a contractor working for Richland.

Ms. Snyder made a motion to approve the July 2018 Financial Statement which included balance sheets and revenue/expenditure reports for all funds, as well as, a list of the following checks issued in June General PLGIT, Fund 01: #47742 - #47800, PLGIT Mastercard, #92168 - #92192 and ACH Transfer Account, #1207 - #1217. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Mr. Allen made a motion to approve the bills payable in the following amounts: General PLGIT, \$63,507.47 and Sewer Fund, \$35,846.62. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING OF JULY 16, 2018

Mr. Bastianini read into the record letters from the Richland Township Municipal Authority of Allegheny County, American Natural Land Development and FedEx Freight agreeing to extend the time period granted under the Municipal Planning Code for the approval of their respective land developments.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Ronald DeLuca, the owner of Barrel Junction explained his plan to conduct an outdoor pig roast and live band performance at his business located, at 5560 William Flinn Highway, on Sunday, August 26th from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Mr. DeLuca explained that the event will be similar to the one that occurred in 2015. He stated that he did not anticipate a crowd beyond his normal business levels and that he would have an off-duty officer present during the hours of operation. He also produced a letter from his landlord granting permission to use the parking lot area. He responded to questions from Mr. Kendrick regarding the control of noise from the band and traffic.

At the conclusions of the discuss Ms. Snyder made a motion to approve Mr. Deluca's request to conduct the "temporary use." Mr. Allen seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Following a presentation by Mr. Matthew Schmitt, P.E., Hampton Technical Associates, and a review of the support letters written by the Allegheny County Health Department and the Breakneck Creek Regional Authority, Mr. Allen made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 10 of 2018 approving a revision to the Township's "Official Sewerage Facilities Plan" and the submission of a Sewer Facility Planning Module for the former Pittsburgh Cut Flower site. The motion was contingent upon the donation of an easement within Phase I of the Traditions of America Plan providing access to public sewers for the property upon which the former Tilts restaurant is located. Ms. Snyder seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Mr. Marshall made a motion authorizing the Chairman to execute Fall 2018 Field & Dek Hockey Rink Lease Agreements with: 1) Pine-Richland Baseball Softball Association; 2) Pine-Richland Soccer Club; 3) Pine-Richland Youth Football League and 4) Pine-Richland Youth Center.

Ms. Snyder seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Bastianini reported on the receipt of \$191,849.40 from the Commonwealth Funding Authority reimbursing the Township, in full, for costs incurred to plug two abandoned gas wells.

Using photos to show the various activities which took place in Richland Park on August 11th, Mr. Bastianini thanked the Supervisors and staff for all they did to make Richland's 25th Community Day celebration a success.

The Supervisors watched a video which provided a fly over view of the play equipment which is proposed to be installed in Richland Park under a DCED grant. Following the video, the Board reviewed spreadsheets showing recreation and other capital project costs and cash flow projections for the next three years. The reports demonstrated the Township's ability to meet the local matching funds requirement of the grant and to pay the cost of the proposed capital improvements without depleting the Township's capital reserves.

Following the presentation Mr. Allen made a motion to submit "Purchase Compliance Forms" to DCED for the acquisition of playground equipment, a picnic shelter and a comfort station under COSTAR contracts. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Mr. Bastianini updated the Board on a meeting with Mr. Doug Vogel, Vice President of Vogel Disposal to discuss the flyer and educational information which will be sent to residents regarding changes in the Solid Waste Franchise Contract which will take effect on January 1, 2019. Mr. Vogel has requested the Board consider excluding glass and aerosol cans from the list of items to be recycled. The Supervisors indicated their agreement with the elimination of these items.

Mr. Bastianini concluded by requesting an executive session to discuss a personnel matter.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Mr. Palmer reported that the Richland Township Municipal Authority (RTMAAC) has a land development plan before the Planning Commission which contains an outstanding issue pertaining to a buffer yard requirement along the border with its neighbor Ultimate Granite. To resolve the issue RTMAAC and Ultimate Granite have entered into an easement agreement which will allow part of the buffer to be located on the Municipal Authority's property and the remainder on Ultimate Granite's property. The Supervisors expressed their agreement with the shared buffer and easement agreement.

At 8:25 the Supervisors adjourned to executive session. The meeting reconvened at 8:35 p.m.

Ms. Snyder made a motion to reimburse Amy Shane, upon the obtaining of an A or B grade, for fifty percent (50%) of the tuition costs incurred for ten (10) required core courses necessary to obtain an on-line Masters of Science in Accounting (MAcc) degree from Clarion University of Pennsylvania. Ms. Shane will be required to re-pay the Township for any tuition cost which are incurred (according to an agreed upon schedule) if she terminates her employment within five years of completing the classes. Mr. Allen seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina L. Shaw
Recording Secretary