

RICHLAND TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

March 15, 2017

PUBLIC MEETING

The Richland Township Board of Supervisors meeting held at the municipal building on Wednesday, March 15, 2017 was called to order at 7:00 by Chairman, Raymond P. Kendrick. There were eleven people present in the audience. The Officials present were:

Raymond P. Kendrick, Chairman  
George P. Allen, Vice Chairman  
John A. Marshall, Supervisor  
Barton D. Miller, Supervisor

Donna L. Snyder, Supervisor  
Dean E. Bastianini, Township Manager  
Tina L. Shaw, Recording Secretary  
Donald Palmer, Esquire

Following a brief presentation by Mr. Michael Zubasic, PNC Capital Markets and Mr. W. Ronald Stout, Esquire, Mr. Allen made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 492 authorizing the refinancing of the 2012 General Obligation Bonds, with a present value savings of \$200,278.79 and a net reduction in debt service of \$227,430.87 over the ten year term of the new bond. Mr. Miller seconded the motion and it was approved by all. Mr. Kendrick called for a recess to enable officials to sign the bond documents. The meeting reconvened at approximately 7:20 p.m.

The Board of Supervisors adopted a proclamation declaring April 9-15, 2017 as National Library Week. Mr. Bastianini complimented Diane Ellis, Head Librarian and Jacquelyn Cummings, President of the Northern Tier Regional Library for all the library does for Township residents.

Mr. Allen made a motion to approve the minutes of the public meeting of February 15, 2017. Ms. Snyder seconded the motion. It was approved by all.

Mr. Kendrick asked if anyone in the audience wished to speak. No one came forward.

Mr. Marshall made a motion to approve the February 2017 Financial Statement which included balance sheets and revenue/expenditure reports for all funds, as well as, a list of the following checks issued in February: General PLGIT, Fund 01: #46853 - #46892, PLGIT Mastercard, #91751 - #91778, ACH Transfer Account, #1026 - #1034. Ms. Snyder 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, \$16,628.40, Sewer Fund, \$41,185.92 and Sewer Capital Reserve Fund, \$350.85. Ms. Snyder seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

**PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING: FEBRUARY 20, 2017**

**Perry - Turner Plan of Lots - Consideration of a seven (7) lot Preliminary and Final Subdivision Plan. Lot & Block No. 1507-N-79 and 1507-N-56, Zoning District Medium - Intensity Residential District, "RM". Plans last revised January 10, 2017.**

Chris Richardson, Hampton Technical Associates presented the plan. A letter from Matthew Fiscus, Esquire requesting a modification from the sidewalk requirements for Lot #7 was entered into the record. An opinion from Mr. Charles Means, Esquire interpreting and applying the Township's sidewalk requirements to Lot No. 7 was also presented.

Following the discussion, Mr. Allen made a motion to grant a modification to the sidewalk requirement for Lot No. 7. He also moved that the preliminary and final subdivision plan be approved as presented, with the following conditions: 1) payment of Transportation Impact Fees upon application for building permits and 2) submission of a sewerage facilities planning module. Ms. Snyder seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Ms. Snyder made a motion authorizing the Chairman to execute a developer's agreement for the Perry-Turner Plan of Lots conditioned upon receipt of the required financial security. Mr. Allen seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Ms. Snyder made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 1 of 2017 authorizing the second amendment to the Breakneck Creek Regional Authority Intermunicipal Sewer Agreement. The amendment expands the Authority's service area into portions of the Montour and Willow Run watersheds. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Mr. Allen made a motion authorizing the Chairman to execute the following Community Day contracts subject to approval by the Township Solicitor. Ms. Snyder seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

ELF Entertainment; 4 Inflatable Rides	\$4,550.00	Climbs Pittsburgh; Rock Wall	\$1,450.00
Annie's Showmobiles; Stage, Sound & DJ	\$2,025.00	Living Treasures, Petting Zoo	\$ 618.80
Fun Services Festival; 50 Booths @ \$58	\$3,190.00	Approved Toilet Rentals	\$ 750.00
Giggles the Clown; Clown	\$ 400.00	Eldorado, Feature Act	\$ 900.00

Mr. Miller made a motion authorizing the Chairman to execute Spring 2017 field & dek hockey rink lease agreements with Pine-Richland Baseball Softball Association, Pine-Richland Soccer Club, Pine-Richland Boy's Youth Lacrosse and Pine-Richland Youth Center. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

### **OTHER NEW BUSINESS**

The Planning Commission, in response to a memo from the Township Solicitor regarding Pennsylvania's Medical Marijuana Law, has recommended that growing/processing facilities be classified as a permitted use within the Light Industry/Manufacturing "M" District and that dispensaries be designated as a permitted use within the Community Commercial "CC" District.

Mr. Miller made a motion authorizing the Solicitor to prepare an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance implementing the two designations recommended by the Planning Commission and authorizing an advertisement for a public hearing. Ms. Snyder seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Mr. Justin Jocuns, 5977 State Road asked why the Planning Commission chose the “M” District for growing/processing facilities. Mr. Bastianini said he could not speak for the individual Planning Commission members.

Mr. Miller stated that he made the motion because he understood the type of uses allowed within the Light Industry/Manufacturing District. He noted that all growing/processing activities would be conducted indoors, within secure buildings with surveillance systems. He felt that this was the logic. He concluded by saying that the Township was trying to be proactive by limiting the facilities to one particular district instead of the multi-districts which could arguably be available under the existing rules.

### **COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR**

Mr. Tom Cicconi, 4018 Valleyvue Drive, voiced concerns he and his neighbors have about speeding, and motorists not stopping at the three-way stop signs at the Valleyvue/Deveny intersection. He indicated that increased patrols by the Northern Regional Police Department had not eliminated the problem. He inquired about the possibility of speed humps and the use of flashing LED lights to draw motorist’s attention to the stop signs. Mr. Bastianini responded.

The Township will install a speed timing device to both increase motorists awareness and to obtain volume and speed data. The information will be used to document actual traffic conditions and to develop a strategy for addressing the situation. The Manager will also check with the Township traffic engineer regarding the permissible use of LED lights in conjunction with stop signs.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina L. Shaw  
Recording Secretary