

LAWRENCE PARK TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

6:00 p.m.

October 14, 2020

4230 Iroquois Avenue

In Attendance: Commissioner J. Cabaday, Commissioner T. Benovic, Commissioner F. Mussett, Commissioner Joseph Golden, Solicitor A. Martinucci, Secretary C. Cunningham

Visitors: Charles Curtis, Rita Nicolussi

~Commissioner Cabaday called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

~Commissioner Cabaday asked for a motion to accept a resignation letter from Michelle Messina-Miller; Commissioner F. Mussett made a motion to accept the letter of resignation; Commissioner T. Benovic seconded the motion; the motion carried.

~Commissioner Cabaday asked for a motion to accept a letter of intent and appointment of Joseph Golden for the vacant Board of Commissioners seat. Commissioner T. Benovic made a motion to accept the letter and appointment; Commissioner F. Mussett seconded the motion; the motion carried.

~ Solicitor A. Martinucci presided in the Oath of Office/Swearing into Office of newly appointed Commissioner Joseph Golden. Commissioner J. Golden was then welcomed into office by the Board of Commissioners.

Allegheny Financial Report:

Commissioner J. Cabaday gave the floor to Mr. John Kraus from Allegheny Financial who presented the Board with the yearly financial reports for Uniformed and Non-Uniformed pension plans. He reported that this was a unique year in the market because the accounts were affected because of COVID but the downward turn has rebounded quickly. Over the next year they are expecting volatility. Kraus stated that consumers should not remove any investments and to stay the course.

Solicitors Report:

- addressed ongoing property maintenance and Code Enforcement issues.
- trying to get a potentially interested buyer for the burned-out Rankine properties in touch with the owners.
- RUSRDA loan process is ongoing.

Engineers Report:

-Community Center Air Conditioning & Air Handling Upgrade Project-Urban is continuing our coordination efforts for the project. JCL is continuing with plan development and cost estimating, and will provide an updated plan set with VRF equipment and updated cost estimate in mid-October. A plan review and construction scheduling meeting will be coordinated with the Township in mid to late October, prior to final design and construction plan preparation beginning in November. Target date for plan completion is winter 2020-2021 with solicitation of quotes or bids in December to allow for construction in Spring 2021.

-2020 Streets Resurfacing Project: Change Order No.2 was prepared by Urban and executed by the Township and Joseph McCormick Construction to extend the project's completion date an additional 35 days, from September 25th to October 30th to allow tie for construction of the remaining ADA ramps at the Priestley and Field intersection now that First Energy has relocated a utility pole from the southwest to the northwest corner. Joseph McCormick Construction is working with their ADA subcontractor to schedule the work, tentatively the week of October 12th or 19th. Urban will provide construction inspection for the work once scheduled.

Reports:

Commissioner F. Mussett made a motion to approve all reports as presented. Commissioner J. Golden seconded the motion; the motion carried.

Visitors signed in to speak: Cindy and Chris Mack, Pete Ogden

-Pete Ogden stated he was concerned about what will happen with the Christmas program this year. Commissioner T. Benovic said she has been speaking with Mr. Kennedy about how they are going to handle this year due to the ongoing pandemic, with the biggest concern being contact with Santa. Mr. Ogden asked how social distancing will happen. Commissioner Benovic said that it would involve many volunteers to be able to cover the 6' distancing recommended. Mr. Ogden also asked about using the building for packing the Christmas bags if there was going to be a Christmas program. Commissioner F. Mussett said that using the building for that purpose would not be a problem.

Bills:

Commissioner T. Benovic made a motion to pay bills as presented, Commissioner F. Mussett seconded the motion; the motion carried.

Minutes:

Commissioner F. Mussett made a motion to approve the Minutes for 9/9/20 Commissioner T. Benovic seconded the motion; Commissioner J. Golden abstained; the motion carried.

Resolutions:

-Commissioner Cabaday read aloud Resolution 2020-14 Uniformed Pension Contribution and moved to approve with the following roll call VOTE taken by Secretary C. Cunningham; Commissioner T. Benovic; "aye"; Commissioner J. Cabaday; "aye"; Commissioner F. Mussett; "aye"; Commissioner J. Golden; "aye", Resolution 2020-14 was duly approved.

-Commissioner Cabaday read aloud Resolution 2020-15 Non-Uniform Pension Contribution and moved to approve with the following roll call VOTE taken by Secretary C. Cunningham; Commissioner T. Benovic; "aye"; Commissioner J. Cabaday; "aye"; Commissioner F. Mussett; "aye"; Commissioner J. Golden; "aye", Resolution 2020-15 was duly approved.

-Commissioner Cabaday read aloud Resolution 2020-16 the 2021 MMO Uniform Plan and moved to approve with the following roll call VOTE taken by Secretary C. Cunningham; Commissioner T. Benovic; "aye"; Commissioner J. Cabaday; "aye"; Commissioner F. Mussett; "aye"; Commissioner J. Golden; "aye", Resolution 2020-16 was duly approved.

-Commissioner Cabaday read aloud Resolution 2020-17 the 2021 MMO Non-Uniform Plan and moved to approve with the following roll call VOTE taken by Secretary C. Cunningham; Commissioner T. Benovic; "aye"; Commissioner J. Cabaday; "aye"; Commissioner F. Mussett; "aye"; Commissioner J. Golden; "aye", Resolution 2020-17 was duly approved.

-Commissioner Cabaday read aloud Resolution 2020-18 Transfer of Funds and moved to approve with the following roll call VOTE taken by Secretary C. Cunningham; Commissioner T. Benovic; "aye"; Commissioner J. Cabaday; "aye"; Commissioner F. Mussett; "aye"; Commissioner J. Golden; "aye", Resolution 2020-18 was duly approved.

Old Business:

-Commissioner Cabaday called for a motion to pay off the bank loans with the existing \$518,298.45 CD with the balance of the funds to be placed into Township Savings. Commissioner F. Mussett made a motion to pay bank loans with the CD; Commissioner T. Benovic seconded the motion; the motion was carried.

New Business:

-Solicitor A. Martinucci explained the process of this sale and that the Code Enforcement officer has viewed the property and feels that it is in need of repair and that it would be "ok" for sale with expected renovations. Commissioner Cabaday called for a motion to approve the sale of Repository for Unsold Properties- 1810 Dee Jay Ave., Erie, PA 16511; Commissioner T. Benovic made the motion; Commissioner F. Mussett seconded the motion; the motion was carried.

-Commissioner Cabaday called for a motion to appoint Barry Rodemaker to the Vacancy Board position. Commissioner J. Golden made a motion to hire, Commissioner F. Mussett seconded the motion; the motion was carried.

-Commissioner T. Benovic motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:28 p.m. Commissioner J. Golden seconded; the motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted:

Cindy Jo Cunningham
Board of Commissioner's Secretary