

18th February 2020 @ 6:30 P.M.

The Tincum Township Board of Commissioners held their regular monthly meeting on the above date and time at 629 N. Governor Printz Blvd., Essington, PA 19029. Township Engineer James MacCombie was absent from this meeting. Solicitor Sam Auslander was also absent from this meeting. Herb MacCombie was present representing the Township Engineer's Office, and Christopher Brown from the Township's Solicitor's office, Patrick K. McCarthy, President presiding:

C. Patrick Barr, Vice President

Dennis R. Arthur, Commissioner

Lisa Edmiston, Commissioner

Roger Joseph, Commissioner

David Schreiber, Manager

Elaine M. Brolley, Secretary

President McCarthy called the meeting to order, all rose for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

There were several pieces of business conducted prior to the beginning of the regular meeting. This included special recognition of Eagle Scout Michael Brennan, swearing in of Fire Police (names) and Special Use Hearings for UPS, and Park and Jet.

On A Motion by Pat Barr, seconded by Lisa Edmiston, the minutes of the January 2020 Commissioners Monthly Meeting and the Special Public Meeting were accepted and approved, by a unanimous voice vote.

President McCarthy reported that all members had received copies of the January 2020 Treasurer's and Secretary's report of Receipts. There being no questions:

On A Motion by Roger Joseph, seconded by Lisa Edmiston, the reports were accepted and approved as submitted, by a unanimous voice vote.

President McCarthy asked for a motion to pay bills for the month of February 2020. The bill list for February will be submitted to the Board members at the end of the month. There being no questions:

On A Motion by Pat Barr, seconded by Lisa Edmiston, the bill list will be paid for the month of February 2020 by a unanimous voice vote.

PUBLIC FORUM

Agenda Item Comments

Mr. Zurdi Dobi, 200 Powhattan Ave,

Asked that the Board discuss the following during Committee Reports: The amount of money raised and donated via Farmers Market fees and the number of people who benefited from donations. An update on how sewer billing is done. The amount of funds billed by the solicitor for the Wu. v. Tincum Township litigation. Mr. Dobi also asked if the Board has determined what parking lot operators are going to be audited.

ADMINISTRATION, LAW, ORDINANCE, PUBLIC SAFETY & FINANCE

Patrick K. McCarthy, Chairman

Sale of Two Retired Township Vehicles

ON A MOTION by Mr. Barr, seconded by Mrs. Edmiston, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to accept the bid of Mark's Motors, Maple Shade, New Jersey for the 2006 Ford Crown Victoria in the amount of \$430 and the bid of K&F Auto Wholesalers, Birmingham, Alabama in the amount of \$137 for the 1993 Ford Sedan.

Replacement of Valves at the Wastewater Treatment Plant

ON A MOTION by Mr. Arthur, seconded by Mr. Joseph, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to instruct the Township Engineer to prepare specifications and a bid package for the replacement of eight (8) recirculation valves at the Waste Water Treatment Plant.

Resignation from Zoning Hearing Board

ON A MOTION by Mr. Barr, seconded by Mr. Arthur, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to accept the letter of resignation from Mr. Sean Barr from the Tincum Township Zoning Hearing Board.

Appointment to Zoning Hearing Board

ON A MOTION by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Barr, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to appoint Mr. Keith Gieder of Taylor Avenue, Essington, to the Tincum Township Zoning Hearing Board for a two year term ending in January 2022.

Tax Assessment Appeal – SJS Linde LP – 51 Powhattan Delaware County C.C.P. Docket No. CV-2019-009622

ON A MOTION by Mr. Barr, seconded by Mr. Joseph, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to Authorize the Solicitor to execute the Stipulation, on behalf of the Township of Tincum, to set the Assessment for the property located at 51 Powhattan Avenue, Tincum Township, reducing the taxable assessment from \$2,900,000 to \$2,440,000 for tax year 2019 and \$2,368,800 for tax year 2020, Contingent upon the execution of the same by the Interboro School District and Delaware County Council.

Resignation from Tincum Township Sewage Authority

ON A MOTION by Mr. Arthur, seconded by Mrs. Edmiston, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to accept the letter of resignation from Mr. Richard Belsky from the Tincum Township Sewage Authority.

Appointment to Tincum Township Sewage Authority

ON A MOTION by Mr. Arthur, seconded by Mr. Joseph, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to appoint Mr. Daniel Dutch of Powhattan Ave., Lester, to the Tincum Township Sewage Authority for a two year term ending in January 2022.

Code Enforcement Report – January 2020, Roger Joseph, Chairman

January: The Code Enforcement Officer Issued:

28 Certificates of Occupancies for a total of **\$11,250.00**

22 Building Permits for a total of **\$144,090.00**

COMMITTEE REPORTS

POLICE, FIRE, AND BUILDINGS

Patrick K. McCarthy, Chairman

POLICE REPORT – January 2020

Township Fines: **\$3,254.52.** Of that amount, a total of **\$90.00** was Parking Tickets.

The department handled **557** incidents and made **26** criminal arrests.

25 of those criminal arrests were adults

1 of those criminal arrests were juveniles.

1 of the juveniles was handled within the Department and Released

0 animals were taken into custody

FIRE COMPANY REPORTS:

Fire Company Report – January 2020

Total Calls:(47)

- **Fire, Other - 2**
- **Building Fire - 10**
- **Vehicle Fire - 4**
- **Assist Ems - 3**
- **MVA - 5**
- **MVA w/ Entrap - 3**
- **Water Rescue - 1**
- **Gas Leak - 5**
- **CO Alarm - 2**
- **Cover Up - 1**
- **AFA - 11**

Average # of responding personnel: (7)

Total time in service: (85.13) hours

Call Breakdown:

- **Essington - (19)**
- **Lester - (11)**
- **Prospect Park - (4)**
- **Ridley Park - (3)**
- **Eddystone - (4)**
- **Ridley Twp. - (3)**
- **Norwood - (1)**
- **Chester City - (1)**
- **Aston - (1)**

Chief, Michael Golden

FIRE MARSHALL REPORT – January 2020

Re: Fire Marshal's Report for January 2020

Mr. McCarthy: The following report is submitted for your review:

Performed 2 Fire Sprinkler Plan Reviews

Witnessed 1 Fire Alarm Acceptance Tests: Renaissance Hotel 6th Floor

Inspected a temporary fire alarm and fire sprinkler installation at the airport reconstruction site for the American Airlines Premium Lounge

One Court Appearance for a Fire Code Violation.

There were the usual fire code telephone conversations.

Two call-outs by the fire company for alarm problems

Meetings:

Attended the DELCO Board of Fire & Life Safety as a Board Member

Attended the Pennsylvania Association of Fire Code Officials Meeting and Training Session in Lancaster, PA

Met with the Owner of Airport Discount Tire along with the Township Engineer,

Solicitor, Code Enforcement Officer on the problem of outdoor tire storage.

Met with the Project Engineer at the Airport Fuel Farm to discuss some fire protection Issues.

Participated in the 6ABC Operation Save a Life Campaign where we picked up smoke detectors for Tincum Township Residents who cannot afford them. These are 10 year detectors as the batteries should last for 10 years.

Raymond W. Lonabaugh, CFPS

Fire Marshal

PUBLIC WORKS, HIGHWAYS, AND RAILROADS

Lisa Edmiston, Chairman

Public Works – January, 2020

No Report This Month

Commissioner Edmiston stated that Walt Lee, Superintendent of the Highway Department, had knee surgery at the beginning of the month.

SANITATION
Dennis R. Arthur, Chairman

Tinicum Township Wastewater Treatment

Monthly Report for January 2020

Total flow 35,743,000 gals Average 1,153,000 gals

Total Gallons Sludge 290,670 gallons

Total sludge hauled 52,000-gals Percent Solids 2.43%

Methane Gas 79,209 cu ft

Sewer Complaints

1/29/2020 KBX clean wet wells Clarion, Taylor Ave. stations

Equipment repairs

1/10/2020 Removed secondary recirculation out for re building

1/13/2020 All chlorine service

1/14/2020 New Dominator in service at Manor Station

1/22/2020 IC&E replaced screen in controls at 4th & Chippewa

Miscellaneous Items

1/2/2020 clean and put necessary paper in bathrooms at Log Cabin

1/9/2020 Meeting with Mr. DiSantis, Dennis O'Neil and Mr. Schreiber on DRBC and
re placement of valves in re circulation Station

1/2020 Service police vehicles and plant vehicles that needed service

Robert J Bernauer

HEALTH AND RECREATION

Pat Barr, Chairman

Board of Health / Recreation - February, 2019

Mr. Barr reported that approximately \$16,000 was paid out by the Tincum Township Patriotic Organization from funds raised during various events including the Farmers Market, Community Day and Independence Day events. Recipients include Stacy Patterson, Dawn Finnegan, Walter Younkman, Dave Remshard Scholarship Fund, Armen Canzanese, Coaches v. Cancer, and Cathy Arnott.

Solicitor's Report: Sam Auslander, Esquire

In Mr. Auslander's absence, Christopher Brown reported that two additional tax assessment appeals are due for hearings in February 2020 including one for the Renaissance Hotel and one for the Wyndham Gardens hotel.

Engineer's Report: Herbert MacCombie, P.E.

Mr. Herbert MacCombie reported that the Engineer's office has provided its 60% review letter to the city/airport. Construction of the new Remain Overnight Ramp (RON) at the former US Postal Service building site has gone out for bids. A grading plan for this project will be submitted. The inflow and infiltration study is ongoing, with meters being moved to various locations. So far, it has been noted that much infiltration is coming from manhole covers. The Engineers office will prepare bid packages for 2020 resurfacing.

Manager's Report: David D. Schreiber

The Township Manager reported the following:

Representative Dellosso's Pet Fair scheduled for Feb 15 at Town Hall had to be cancelled. It will be rescheduled, but no date has yet been set. Township Administration Offices are being moved to the Historic Lazaretto Building on Feb 28. First day of business in the new office will be March 2. PennDOT now has reconstruction of the Rt. 420 bridge over Darby Creek scheduled for 2023 or 2024. Construction of the bridge on Rt. 291 over the Conrail train tracks is scheduled for 2021 or 2022. New Manor Field playground has been ordered.

Secretary's Correspondence

Ms. Brolley read a letter from Arlene Miniconzi regarding a free event called "Summer Solstice Celebration" presented by The Leggings Project.

On A Motion by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Barr the Board voted unanimously via voice vote to approve the use of Governor Printz Park on Saturday, June 6th, 2020, rain date of June 7th, 2020 for a community event called "Summer Solstice Celebration". The event will run from 4 PM to 9 PM.

OTHER BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT OF THE BUSINESS PORTION OF MEETING

ON A MOTION by Mr. Barr, seconded by Mr. Joseph to adjourn the business portion of this meeting by a unanimous voice vote.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Public Comment:

Mr. Ed Rubillo, 120 Wyandotte Street, asked the Board to look at the breached fence on Iroquois St. leading into the Federal Express facility. Mr. Rubillo states the employees of the facility use the broken fence to access the facility, while entry should be made from Second Street. Mr. Rubillo also stated he attended a forum at Widener University that discussed a new Liquid Natural Gas plant in Gibbsboro NJ and asked the Board to look into the potential dangers such a facility would have on the local area.

Mr. Zurdi Dobi, 200 Powhattan Ave., commented as follows:

Noted that the Board did not address the sewer billing question. Stated that the Township Manager should be dismissed. Asked if any elevation readings had been done by the Engineer's office on behalf of Mr. McCracken. Asked if graffiti at former McDonalds was gang related. The Board responded that it was not.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

ON A MOTION by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mrs. Edmiston to adjourn the meeting by a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine M. Brolley

Township Secretary

