

17th October 2016 @ 7:00 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 with Thomas J. Giancristoforo, President presiding. Commissioner McCarthy was absent from this meeting:

Dennis Arthur, Vice President

C. Patrick Barr, Commissioner

Lisa Edmiston, Commissioner

Sam Auslander, Esq.

Herbert MacCombie, P.E.

David Schreiber, Manager

Elaine M. Brolley, Secretary

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

Invocation

Reverend Edward R. Oswald of Saint John's Lutheran Church gave the Invocation

On A Motion by Dennis Arthur, seconded by Pat Barr, the minutes of the September 2016 Commissioners Monthly Meeting were accepted and approved, by a unanimous voice vote.

President Giancristoforo reported that all members had received copies of the September 2016 Treasurer's and Secretary's report of Receipts. There being no questions:

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

President Giancristoforo asked for a motion to pay bills for the month of October 2016. The bill list for October will be submitted to the Board members at the end of the month. There being no questions:

On A Motion by Dennis Arthur, seconded by Pat Barr, the bill list will be paid for the month of October 2016 by a unanimous voice vote.

PUBLIC FORUM

Agenda Item Comments

Regarding Item #12, Roof Repairs at Public Works Building, Mr. Zurdi Dobi of 200 Powhatten Ave., stated that the agenda item to be voted on was not the lowest bid. Mr. Dobi stated that there was a bid received of \$56,000. The Board responded that the bid Mr. Dobi referred to was \$66,000 not \$56,000.

Regarding Item #14, Real Estate Appraisals for Property on LaGrange and North Governor Printz, Mr. Dobi objected to the possibility of the Township obtaining these properties – stating the owners should ‘give’ the property to the Township. Mr. MacCombie provided an explanation as to why the Board was considering these properties, as stated in the motion.

Under “Other Business” Mr. Dobi again asked Commissioner Arthur to introduce a motion to repeal the Local Service Tax.

Regarding Item # 13, East Coast Greenway Trail Release, Mr. Art Perdun of 247 South Governor Printz Blvd asked if certain utility poles currently in the path of the Trail were to be moved. The Board responded – Yes.

Mr. Perdun asked if Items 15 and 16 were separate, different topics. The Board responded – Yes. The Board is applying for two different grants from the same State Grant program.

ADMINISTRATION, LAW, ORDINANCE, PUBLIC SAFETY & FINANCE

Thomas J. Giancristoforo Jr., Chairman

Opening Bids for Retired Township Vehicles

Two vehicles were advertised for sale in the local newspaper on October 5, 2016. There was only one bid received for only one of the vehicles.

ON A MOTION by Mr. Arthur, seconded by Mr. Barr, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to accept the bid from Yousef Dabbagh for the amount of \$1,168.00 for the 2006 Ford Expedition 1FMPU16536LA97550.

Appointment of Mingis Gotowski as Township Auditor for Fiscal Year 2016

ON A MOTION by Mr. Barr, seconded by Mrs. Edmiston, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to appoint the accounting firm of Mingis Gutowski of Media as auditor for Tinicum Township for the year ending December 31st, 2016 at a cost of approximately \$17,800 for the general fund and \$2,100 for the Library Fund.

Budget Workshop Dates

ON A MOTION by Mr. Arthur, seconded by Mrs. Edmiston, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to advertise the following dates for 2017 budget workshop meetings. Wednesday, November 9 at 6:30 and Wednesday, November 16 at 6:30.

Appointment of Crossing Guards

ON A MOTION by Mr. Barr, seconded by Mrs. Edmiston, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to appoint the following individuals as Crossing Guards at an hourly rate of \$12.50

Robert Dukes of 510 Saude Ave.

Tim Connor of 300 Mohican St.

George German of 327 Saude Ave

Patricia Springer of 316 N. Governor Printz Blvd.

Repairs to Seawall at Governor Printz Park

ON A MOTION by Mr. Barr, seconded by Mrs. Edmiston, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to enter into a contract with Watts Restoration Company, Inc. of Feasterville, PA for repairs to the Seawall at Governor Printz Park including re-pointing all mortar and replacing stones as necessary at a cost of \$103,977.50.

Repairs to Roof at Public Works Building

ON A MOTION by Mrs. Edmiston, seconded by Mr. Barr, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to enter into a contract with Premier Roofing Service, LLC of Lester, PA for replacement of the roof at the Township's Public Works Building at a cost of \$64,819.90.

East Coast Greenway Trail – Construction Release #4

ON A MOTION by Mr. Barr, seconded by Mrs. Edmiston, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to approve Construction Release #4 to JMC Contracting for the work to date on the East Coast Greenway Trail in the amount of \$188,684.97 Release #4 has been reviewed and approved by the PennDOT approved Construction Inspection firm of Pennoni & Associates.

Real Estate Appraisals for Properties Located on LaGrange Avenue as well as on North Governor Printz Blvd and the Saude Avenue Alley

ON A MOTION by Mr. Barr, seconded by Mrs. Edmiston, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to instruct the Township Solicitor to obtain real estate appraisals for Folio Number 45-00-00800-01 located on LaGrange Avenue and Folios 45-00-01413-01 and 45-00-01414-00 located at North Governor Printz Blvd and the Saude Avenue Alley. The Township will consider obtaining these properties for public use including a sewer project on LaGrange Avenue and, for the other two, as an addition to the Manor Field

Adoption of Resolution 2016-10 PA Small Water and Sewer Program

Ms. Brolley read Resolution 2016-10

ON A MOTION by Mr. Barr, seconded by Mrs. Edmiston, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to authorize the Township Manager and Township Engineer to complete and file the necessary application and other documentation for the Township to apply for the Pennsylvania Small Water and Sewer Program Grant an amount up to \$500,000 to be used for property acquisition and installation of a new sanitary sewer servicing the Township's Lazzaretto and Firehouse properties.

Adoption of Resolution 2016-11 PA Small Water and Sewer Program

Ms. Brolley read Resolution 2016-11

ON A MOTION by Mr. Arthur, seconded by Mr. Barr, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to authorize the Township Manager and Township Engineer to complete and file the necessary application and other documentation for the Township to apply for the Pennsylvania Small Water and Sewer Program Grant an amount up to \$412,730 to be used for sanitary sewer replacement on South Governor Printz Blvd from 1st Avenue to 3rd Avenue.

Phila. International Airport by AMB/AFCO Cargo West*Pac, LLC – Tax Assessment Appeal – Del. Co. #2015-10254 (#20080-0405)

ON A MOTION by Mr. Barr, seconded by Mr. Arthur, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to authorize the Solicitor for Tincum Township to execute a Stipulation resolving the Tax Assessment Appeal of Cargo West*Pac, LLC for the property located at Tincum Island, Cargo Unit #7/C-2, No. 45-00-00509-05 approving the Market Value of \$10,000,000.00 for each Tax Year 2016 and 2017, upon approval by the Interboro School District.

2016 Resurfacing Project

ON A MOTION by Mrs. Edmiston, seconded by Mr. Barr, the Board unanimously voted via roll call vote to approve Release #1 to Gessler Construction Company of Media for the work done to date on the Township's 2016 Resurfacing Project in the amount of \$235,431. Said release and work have been reviewed and recommended for payment by the Township Engineer's office.

Code Enforcement Report – September 2016

September: The Code Enforcement Officer Issued:

08 Certificates of Occupancies for a total of **\$950.00**

19 Building Permits for a total of **\$17,331.00**

COMMITTEE REPORTS

POLICE, FIRE, AND BUILDINGS

Patrick K. McCarthy, Chairman

POLICE REPORT – September 2016

Township Fines: **\$3,217.97**. Of that amount, a total of **\$105.00** was Parking Tickets.

The department handled **613** incidents and made **41** criminal arrests.

34 of those criminal arrests were adults

7 of those criminal arrests were juveniles.

7 of the juveniles was handled within the Department and Released

0 animals were taken into custody

FIRE COMPANY REPORTS:

Fire Company Report – May 2016

Type of Alarm report

Building Fire – 6

Natural Gas Leak – 2

AFA – 12

MVA – 4

Investigation – 2

Vehicle Fire – 1

Cover Assignment – 1

Marine Unit – 1

EMS Assist - 6

Total Incident Count – 35

Total Time of Calls By Incident

Total Time of All Calls: 14:24:00 Overall avg Time: 00:24:41

Average Turnout Per Incident

Average Turnout: 7

Fire Company Report – June 2016

Type of Alarm report

Building Fire – 14

AFA – 8

CO Incidents – 1

MVA – 7

Investigation – 1

Cover Assignment – 1

Marine Unit – 1

EMS Assist - 1

Total Incident Count – 34

Total Time of Calls By Incident

Total Time of All Calls: 22:56:00 Overall avg Time: 00:40:28

Average Turnout Per Incident

Average Turnout: 9

Fire Company Report – July 2016

Type of Alarm report

Building Fire – 7

Natural Gas Leak – 1

AFA – 13

MVA – 7

Other – 1

Investigation – 1

Vehicle Fire – 4

Cover Assignment – 1

Marine Unit – 1

Total Incident Count – 41

Total Time of Calls By Incident

Total Time of All Calls: 579:45:00 Overall avg Time: 16:05:55

Average Turnout Per Incident

Average Turnout: 7

Fire Company Report – August 2016

Type of Alarm report

Building Fire – 5

AFA – 6

Assist PD – 1

MVA – 9

Elevator Rescue – 1

Fuel Spill – 1

Brush – 1

Marine Unit – 3

Total Incident Count – 27

Total Time of Calls By Incident

Total Time of All Calls: 10:33:00 Overall avg Time: 00:23:27

Average Turnout Per Incident

Average Turnout: 7

Respectfully Submitted,

Chief Jonathan Buschmeier

T.T.F.C.

FIRE MARSHALL REPORT – September 2016

The following report is submitted for your review:

5 Plan Reviews

2 Final Plan Review Inspection and Testing

1 Inspection

2 Fire Code Violation Notices

1 Fire Code Violation Fine

3 Smoke Alarm Distributions

1 Carbon Monoxide Investigation

2 Fire Investigations

1 Fire Investigation Follow-ups

1 False Fire Alarm Investigation

1 Conducted Facility Employee Fire Safety and Evacuation Training

Raymond W. Lonabaugh, CFPS

Fire Marshal

PUBLIC WORKS, HIGHWAYS, AND RAILROADS

Lisa Edmiston, Chairman

Public Works – September, 2016

No Report this month

Respectfully Submitted,
Walter E. Lee, Superintendent
Highway Department

SANITATION

Dennis R. Arthur, Chairman

Tinicum Township Wastewater Treatment

Monthly Report for September 2016

Total: 21,496,000 gallons

Average: .673 GPD

Total Sludge: 248,616 gallons

Total Methane Gas: 119,985 cubic feet

Average cu ft

Sludge Hauled: 26,300 gals % solids 3.75

Sewer Complaint: NONE

Equipment Repairs:

09/2016 Sent comminuter out to have re-built

09/2016 Replaced rotating unit no. 2 pump 4th & Chippewa

Operation Problems:

09/2016 First day starting with new lab, Suburban Testing Lab

09/2016 Changed alarm company to Crown, also change Lester Fire House

Miscellaneous items:

09/2016 Serviced all police vehicles that had to be serviced

09/2016 DEP Lab audit

Robert J. Bernauer

HEALTH AND RECREATION

Pat Barr, Chairman

Board of Health / Recreation - September, 2016

Mr. Barr reported that fall soccer is ongoing and in fact an “All Star” game was played this past weekend at the Township’s Community Day. Mr. Barr reported that hockey and basketball signups were still taking place at a cost of \$25 and \$50 respectively, and that the last sign up day will be November 3.

Mr. Barr stated that there was a good turnout at the Township’s Community Day held on October 15. Enough funds were raised through various activities and donations to provide assistance to 3 Township families and to make a donation to the Coaches for Cancer fund. Mr. Barr recognized all of the folks in making the event a success and provided individual recognition to two seasonal Township Employees, Mr. Tim Connor and Mr. Joe Bucci.

Solicitor’s Report: Sam Auslander, Esquire

Mr. Auslander reported that the final agreement related to the 2015 Airport Agreement would be signed on November 3, 2016. This is the final paperwork regarding the sale of Hog Island Road.

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

Mr. MacCombie reported that there are several street lights out on Hog Island Road that need servicing. Mr. MacCombie also reported that the work Aqua had planned for under the 4th Avenue Railroad tracks has been delayed as a result of the Railroad delaying permission to bore under the tracks.

Commissioner Arthur added that the train was recently stopped at 4th Avenue blocking traffic for a period of time.

Manager's Report: David D. Schreiber

The Township Manager had no further report.

Secretary's Correspondence

Ms. Brolley read a letter from Russell R. Frymiare regarding John Morton Winter Survival Scouting event.

ON A MOTION by Mr. Arthur, seconded by Mrs. Edmiston, the Board unanimously voted via voice vote to approve the use of Westinghouse Grove scheduled for January 7th & 8th, 2017 alternate dates are January 14th & 15th, 2017 for the John Morton Winter Survival Scouting Event.

OTHER BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT OF THE BUSINESS PORTION OF MEETING

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

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Public Comment:

Mr. John Detwiler, 211 LaGrange, thanked the Board and the Police for the notice of 3 break-ins within the Township. Mr. Detwiler asked if the timing of the traffic light on Wanamaker and 291 could be adjusted for traffic heading north on Wanamaker Ave.

Mr. Detwiler again asked about the brass plaque that was located at the tennis courts in Westinghouse Grove. The Board responded that Commissioner McCarthy is working on having the plaque replaced.

Mr. Ed Rubillo, 120 Wyanndotte, asked if there would still be a police presence on Hog Island Road. The Board replied there would be. Mr. Rubillo asked if the contractor to be awarded the repair work on the Governor Printz Park Seawall was qualified to do so. The Board responded they were. Mr. Rubillo asked if the Board would be interested in obtaining his property on 3rd and Pontiac. The Board asked Mr. Rubillo if he would be interested in donating it.

Marian Matuliwich, 200 Powhatten St. stated that the July minutes did not accurately reflect her comments to the Board. Mrs. Matuliwich asked the Board if her neighbor at 212 Powhatten could sell their property under its current condition. Mrs. Matuliwich believes there is a water problem at that property that adversely affects her. The Board responded that the neighbor can sell the property as is and that, further, Mrs. Matuliwich has been advised in the past that her belief that the neighbors property adversely affects her is a private, civil matter and not a matter for the Township. The Board advised Mrs. Matuliwich that if she believes she is being harmed by the neighbor's runoff water she must address it as a civil legal matter.

Art Perdun, 247 S Gov Printz Blvd., asked the Board how the cost of using Narcan to revive overdose victims is handled. The Board responded that Delaware County pays for this treatment and medication. Mr. Perdun asked if the victims can be billed for the treatment. He was advised to address that issue with Delaware County.

Zurdi Dobi, 200 Powhattan Ave., noted that the Township advertised the fact that a Bond Issue was going to be passed and then advertised that it was passed. Mr. Dobi asked the Board if this was a requirement. Mr. Auslander responded that Township Bond Council advised that it was.

Mr. Dobi stated that several recent invocations to the Board's meeting referenced children in some way and again asked the Board to re-consider the way the Airport Settlement Agreement is divided between the County, Township and School District. The Board stated that Mr. Dobi has

repeatedly asked this and stated that the Board has told Mr. Dobi that this issue will not be readdressed.

Mr. Buster Porter, 1042 Bartram Avenue, asked if the Board would consider an electronic sign highlight Township events can be placed at Manor Field. The Board responded that they are considering such a sign in the near future. Mr. Porter thanked the Board for the great job on the October 15 Community Day / Health Fair. Mr. Porter asked the Board if the Public Works Department had a flag pole that the Township would consider donating to a VFW memorial. The Board replied that it would.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

ON A MOTION by Mr. Arthur, seconded by Mr. Barr to adjourn the meeting by a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine M. Brolley

Township Secretary

