

AGENDA

TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

December 14, 2017
7:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL ZAPPONE, SPIEGELMAN, SANCHEZ, ROTHMAN, MYERS,
BRODSKY, SCHREIBER, BOWMAN, DiPLACIDO, FARREN,
GILLESPIE, HECKER, KALINOSKI, KLINE, LUKER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

SWEARING IN

Swearing in of Officer Joseph Blei to the Rank of Sergeant by the Honorable,
Judge Juanita Price.
(Chief John Livingood)

PRESENTATION

Presentation of Commendation to:
Just Fight Foundation
Ally, Brad, Bridget and Liam Turner
Kevin from Heaven Foundation
(Commissioner Tom Farren)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve Board of Commissioners Meeting of November 9, 2017.

Tom Hecker, Chair
Tom Farren, Vice Chair
Steven Kline
Peggy Myers
Drew Rothman

**TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

(1) PUBLIC WORKS

PW-01-120617 Resolution #17-032 - Green Light Go Grant Signature Authorization

Motion to adopt Resolution #17-032 re-approving and re-authorizing the Township Manager to sign all documents pertaining to the Green Light Go Grant specific to the intersection of Fitzwatertown Road and North Hills Avenue/Woodland Road.

PW-02-120617 Motion to Authorize the Sale of Township Property, Specifically:

- Vehicle 213 2003 International Truck 56,000 GVW -Automated**
- Vehicle 217 2010 Peterbilt Truck 58,400 GVW - Automated**
- Vehicle 220 2008 International Truck 56,000GVW - Automated**
- Vehicle 221 2008 International Truck 56,000 GVW - Automated**

Ben Sanchez, Chair
Jimmy DiPlacido
Dennis Zappone
Carol Gillespie
Ken Brodsky

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(2) CODE ENFORCEMENT AND LAND DEVELOPMENT

CE-01-121417 Consider Request for Consideration of Text Amendment by Hightop Real Estate Group.

CE-02-120617 Reverse Subdivision Plan for Philadelphia Presbytery Homes, Inc. for the property known as the Rydal Waters Site

Motion to approve the reverse subdivision and land development plan submitted by Philadelphia Presbytery Homes for the Rydal Water Tract made up of Rydal Way, Noble Circle and Harbison Way zoned within the Senior Neighborhood Residential District of Ward #7.

CE-03-121417 Consider Zoning Text Amendment by Philadelphia Presbytery Homes

Motion to approve zoning text amendment by Philadelphia Presbytery Homes.

CE-04-120617 Ordinance No. 2150 Amending Chapter 162, "Zoning," At Article XXI- "Use Regulations," And the Use Matrix Appendix: Repealing and Replacing Article XXVIII - "Wireless Communications" And Repealing Ordinances #1793 and #1800

Motion to Authorize Advertisement of Ordinance No. 2150 Amending Chapter 162, "Zoning," At Article XXI- "Use Regulations," And the Use Matrix Appendix: Repealing and Replacing Article XXVIII - "Wireless Communications" And Repealing Ordinances #1793 and #1800.

Lori Schreiber, Chair
Jimmy DiPlacido, Vice Chair
Tom Bowman
John Spiegelman
Stephen Kalinoski

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(3) PUBLIC SAFETY

PS-02-120617

Ordinance No. 2149 amending Chapter 156 (Vehicles and Traffic) Article II (Traffic Regulations) Section 14 (Stop Intersections); Article III (Parking Regulations) Section 25 (Parking Prohibited At All Times; No Parking Between Signs; No Parking Here To Corner; Parking Prohibited Except Certain Hours; No Stopping Or Standing) .

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2149 amending Chapter 156 (Vehicles and Traffic) Article II (Traffic Regulations) Section 14 (Stop Intersections); Article III (Parking Regulations) Section 25 (Parking Prohibited At All Times; No Parking Between Signs; No Parking Here To Corner; Parking Prohibited Except Certain Hours; No Stopping Or Standing) Ordinance No. 2149 (attached) will establish the following: Stop Sign on Tallyho Road (south) at Meadowbrook Road, No Parking Anytime on the south side of Maplewood Avenue from Davisville Road to Fairview Avenue, No Parking Here to Corner on the south side Maplewood Avenue the intersection of Fairview Avenue extending 30 feet east, No Parking Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on the south side of Maplewood Avenue 30 feet east of the intersection of 1800 block of Fairview Avenue to the driveway of 2232 Maplewood Avenue, Ordinance No. 2149 (attached) will repeal the following: Prohibited Parking on the north side of Maplewood Avenue from Fairview Avenue east to the deadend, Prohibited Parking on the south side of Maplewood Avenue from Fairview Avenue to the railroad property.

PS-03-100417 Consider Proposed Ordinance 2143 Creating Tax Incentives for Members of the Abington Township Fire Department and Montgomery County Second Alarmers (EMS) and Motion to Adopt the New Ordinance.

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2143 Creating Tax Incentives for Members of the Abington Township Fire Department and Montgomery County Second Alarmers (EMS).

PS-04-120617 Resolution #17-034 of Abington Township, County of Montgomery, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Establishing Annual Requirements For The Certification Of Active Volunteer Service.

Motion to adopt Resolution #17-034, a Resolution of Abington Township, County of Montgomery, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, establishing annual requirements for the certification of active volunteer service.

PS-05-120616 Crossing Guard Memorandum of Understanding for 2018-2019

Motion to approve a Memorandum of Understanding setting for the compensation of the Township of Abington Crossing Guards for the Fiscal Years 2018 and 2019, and authorize the Township Manager to execute said Memorandum of Understanding.

John Spiegelman, Chair
Tom Bowman, Vice Chair
Lori Schreiber
Drew Rothman
Stephen Kalinoski

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(4) PUBLIC AFFAIRS

PA-01-120617 Adoption of the Fair Housing - Resolution #17-033

Motion to Adopt of the Fair Housing - Resolution #17-033. The Township of Abington receives an annual allocation of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) federal funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). As a grantee of these federal funds (CDBG and HOME) it is required by HUD to annually adopt a Fair Housing Resolution.

PA-02-120617 Resolution #17-035 Closing Out Community Conservation Partnership Grant Project (BRC-TAG-20-12)

Motion to approve Resolution #17-035 closing out community conservation partnership grant project (BRC-TAG-20-12).

Steven Kline, Chair
Tom Hecker, Vice Chair
Tom Farren
Ben Sanchez
Wayne Luker

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(5) FINANCE COMMITTEE

Treasurer's Report: Call on Township Treasurer Jay W. Blumenthal

FC-01-112117 Investments

Motion to approve investments for the month of October as previously circulated to the Board. It was noted that investments for the month totaled \$735,000.00. Interest rate yields were 1.250%.

(Motion and Roll Call)

FC-02-112117 Expenditures/Salaries and Wages

Motion to:

- (A) Approve the October expenditures as previously circulated to the Board, in the amount of \$5,048,516.19 and salaries and wages in the amount of \$1,818,342.99.
- (B) Authorize the proper officials to sign vouchers in payment of bills and contracts as they mature through the month of January 2018.

FC-03-112117 Training and Conference Expenses

Motion to approve the Advance and Travel Expense activity for October 2017 as previously circulated to the Board. Advance and Travel Expense reports were \$0.00 and \$2,422.38 respectively. Ten-month expenses totaled \$25,252.31.

FC-04-112117

Clearing Fund/Deferred Revenue and Expense/Petty Cash

Motion to approve the Clearing Fund, the Deferred Revenue/Expense activity and Petty Cash balances for the month of October as previously circulated to the Board.

Clearing fund receipts and disbursements for the month of October 2017 were \$845.31 and (\$2,234.34), respectively.

Deferred Revenue/Expense receipts and disbursements for the month of October 2017 were \$40,000.00 and (\$93,349.00) respectively.

FC-05-112117

Budget Transfer Authorization

Motion to authorize the Budget Transfers and Supplemental Appropriations going from fund balance to the appropriate departmental personal service expense cost objects for the Fiscal Year 2017.

FC-06-112117

Funding for Legal Fees

Motion to appropriate \$100,000.00 from fund balance for legal fees.

FC-07-112117

Fire Company Audit Award

Motion to authorize the President of the Board of Commissioners and Township Manager to execute a three-year agreement with Maillie Falconiero & Co. for purposes of providing fire audit services for the years 2017 in the amount of \$19,000, 2018 in the amount of \$19,500 and 2019 in the amount of \$20,000. Funds to be drawn from Fire in-lieu-of taxes.

**MONIES RECEIVED FROM VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS
DEPOSITED INTO REPUBLIC BANK**

NOVEMBER 2017 & YEAR TO DATE

	<u>This Month</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Code Enforcement	33,341	701,960
Engineering	7,797	157,313
Finance Department	805,831	7,886,333
<i>Finance ACHs & Credit Cds</i>	1,720,982	16,003,033
<i>Tax Office Real Estate Taxes</i>	36,326	26,665,800
Fire Marshal's Office	638	27,669
Parks and Recreation	23,703	442,876
Plumbing	5,225	54,782
Police	13,748	242,222
Refuse	8,844	128,226
Tax Office		
<i>Business Privilege Tax</i>	31,620	5,497,809
<i>Mercantile Tax</i>	8,977	2,145,131
<i>Local Services Tax</i>	221,130	1,371,421
<i>Business Tax Audits</i>	<u>0</u>	<u>165,167</u>
Tax Office Total	<u>261,727</u>	<u>9,179,528</u>
TOTALS	2,918,161	61,489,742
LAST YEAR	<u>2,968,934</u>	<u>60,195,810</u>
INCREASE/(DECREASE)	<u>(50,773)</u>	<u>1,293,932</u>

Jay W. Blumenthal
Treasurer

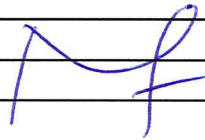
DEPOSITS OF REAL ESTATE TAXES AND FEES TRANSFERRED TO FINANCE DEPARTMENT

MONTH OF November 2017 YEAR TO DATE

RECEIPTS				
	Adjusted Assessments	Month	Year To Date	Balance To Collect
Township	11,862,443	17,869	11,667,764	194,679
Fire	2,452,292	3,685	2,411,807	40,485
Sewer Fees	7,791,770	7,948	7,668,947	122,823
Refuse Fees	5,003,290	6,824	4,917,282	86,008
TOTALS	27,109,795	36,326	26,665,800	443,995
PERCENTAGE	100%		98%	2%

COMMENTS: November 2016 30,229

 Increase 6,097



Respectfully Submitted,
Jay W. Blumenthal
Treasurer

Tom Bowman, Director
Steven Kline, Asst. Director
Benjamin Sanchez

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(6) PENSION COMMITTEE

PENS-01-112117 Resolution No. 17-030 - Amending Police Pension Document Pertaining to member Contributions

Motion to set Police Pension contribution rate for 2018 at five percent (5%) of compensation.

PENS-02-112117 Resolution No. 17-031 - Amending Resolution No. 17-025 for the Township's 2018 Minimal Municipal Funding Obligation With Respect to the Municipal Non-Uniformed Employees' Defined Contribution Pension Plan.

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 17-031 revising and amending the Township's minimum municipal funding obligation for the calendar year 2018 with respect to the Municipal Defined Contribution Pension Plan, which is amended from \$27,687 to \$53,486 due to additional employees being hired since original Resolution No. 17-025 was adopted on September 14, 2017.