Presentations began at 7:12 p.m.

Presentation – Abington Senior High School Girls Varsity Basketball Team:

Commissioner Zappone presented Citation to the 2018-2019 Abington Senior High School Girls Varsity Basketball Team on behalf of the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Abington congratulating them on their leadership, effort and hard work. The season ended with a 26-5 record while earning the honors of Suburban One League American Conference Champions, Suburban One League Tournament Champions, District 1 Semifinalists and PIAA Playoff Quarterfinalists:

Dan Marsh, Head Coach Lauren Clark, Assistant Coach Jerry Frasca, Assistant Coach Kathy Razler, Assistant Coach Becca Pohle Tamia Wessels Abbie Kelly Allison Holden Isabella Kronfeld Miranda Liebtag Khalis Whiting Krysten Brown Camryn Lexow Hope Brower-Ancher Kaeleigh Sierianni Kassondra Brown Amanda Jackson Camile Mugnier

Presentation – Abington Senior High School Boys Varsity Basketball Team:

Commissioner Zappone presented Citation to the 2018-2019 Abington Senior High School Boys Varsity Basketball Team on behalf of the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Abington congratulating them on their leadership, effort and hard work. The season ended with a 28-2 record while earning the honors of Suburban One League American Conference Champions, Suburban One League Tournament Champions, District 1 Champions and PIAA Playoff Qualifiers:

Charles Grasty, Head Coach Sam Szymanek, Assistant Coach Carlos Williams, Assistant Coach Gary Massey, Assistant Coach Mike Viscariello, Assistant Coach Manir Waller Maurice Henry Nicholas Zappone Darious Brown Oreck Frazier Lucas Monroe Jack Moynihan Zyeir Olasewere Justin Brooks Robert Bell Joey Brusha Jason Scott Derek Sussman Howard Burell Eric Dixon

Presentations adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

The stated meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Abington was held on Thursday, April 11, 2019 at the Township Administration Building, Abington, PA., with President Luker presiding.

CALL TO ORDER: 7:31 p.m.

ROLL CALL:Present: Commissioners MYERS, BRODSKY,
ROTHMAN, DiPLACIDO, WINEGRAD, THOMPSON,
SCHREIBER, CARSWELL, SPIEGELMAN, VAHEY,
GILLESPIE, ZAPPONE, KLINE, LUKER
Excused: BOWMAN

Also Present: Township Manager MANFREDI Assistant Township Manager WEHMEYER Assistant Legal Counsel GALLAGHER

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Commissioner Thompson announced that this past weekend, the Edge Hill Fire Company lost a dedicated lifetime member Mr. Bill Eiding, who served the company for 61 long and respectful years and Bill was part of the community and part of the company's success. He expressed his condolences to Bill's family as well as the Edge Fire Company for their loss, and asked for a moment of silence to honor Bill Eiding's memory.

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS FOLLOWED BY A MOMENT OF SILENCE HONORING BILL EIDING WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY

BOARD PRESIDENT ANNOUNCEMENTS:

President Luker announced that an Executive Session was held by the Board this evening regarding a personnel matter.

President Luker read Proclamation of Arbor Day Observance in Abington into the record.

President Luker announced that since there were no committee meetings held in the month of April public comment will be taken after each agenda item.

PRESENTATIONS:

Abington Educational Foundation:

Daniel Kaye said he is a member of the Abington Educational Foundation and we are hoping to make Abington a better place.

Erin McKenna Zimmerman, Executive Director of Abington Educational Foundation thanked the Board of Commissioners for allowing their presentation on the work they have been doing in Abington School District.

Christine Strange, Chairperson of the Abington Educational Foundation, said we are 23member all volunteer Board consisting of parents, alumni, business owners as well as a staff member of the Abington School District. She gave a power point presentation on their mission, which is to enhance educational experiences and outcomes for Abington School District students through grants that support Student Achievement, Innovative Programs and STEAM initiatives. Over the past three years, the AEF has contributed more than \$100,000 to innovative programs and technology that have directly impacted thousands of Abington School District students an enhanced student well-being, achievement and equity. AEF's impact has been Learning Grant Program; Signature Program and major opportunities.

AEF's future impact will be cutting-edge anatomy curriculum enhancement; virtual reality learning experiences; performing arts "package" for elementary schools; Chromebook laptops and increased funding for Learning Grants. Any new volunteers would be welcomed please follow on Facebook.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Vice President Kline made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Spiegelman to approve Consent Agenda Items a. – f. as follows:

To approve the minutes of the Board of Commissioners March 14, 2019 Regular Meeting.

To approve investments for the month of February 2019, and it was noted that investments for the month totaled \$2,059,000.00. Interest rate yields ranged from 2.300% to 2.500%.

To approve the Clearing Fund, the Deferred Revenue/Expense activity and Petty Cash balances for the month of February as previously circulated to the Board. Clearing fund receipts and disbursements for the month of February 2019 were \$4,861.05 and (\$18.00), respectfully. Deferred Revenue/Expense receipts and disbursements for the month of February 2019 were \$2,538.00 and (\$88.00), respectively.

To approve the Advance and Travel Expense activity for February 2019 as previously circulated to the Board. Advance and Travel Expense reports were \$0.00 and \$3,054.47, respectively. Two-month expenses totaled \$3,054.47.

To adopt Resolution No. 19-015 to appoint Richard J. Manfredi as the Chief Administrative Officer for the Township of Abington's Non-Uniformed and Police Pension Plans, effective the 11th day of April, 2019.

To adopt Resolution No. 19-016 to appoint Jeannette M. Hermann as an authorized signer on behalf of the Township of Abington's Non-Uniformed and Police Pension Plans, effective the 11th day of April, 2019.

MOTION was ADOPTED 14-0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Public Works Committee -

Item PW-01-041119:

Commissioner Rothman made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Myers to award the lowest responsible bidders and authorize the Township Manager to execute contracts with the following companies for the purchase of material as shown:

Chemung Supply Corp. – Sign Posts Material Items #1 thru #13, Garden State Highway Products, Inc. Sign Posts Material Items #14 thru #24.

Garden State Highway Products, Inc. – Aluminum Blanks – Complete, 1/8" Ecostrate Blanks – Complete, ¹/4" Ecostrate Blanks – Complete, Reflective Roll Goods Type III – Complete, Reflective Sheeting & Sign Faces Finished Signs (Type III) – Complete, Reflective Sheeting & Sign Faces (Type III) – Complete, Hot Tape Pavement Markings – Complete and Miscellaneous Items – Complete.

President Luker asked for any comments from Commissioners or staff. There were none.

President Luker asked for any public comments. There were none.

MOTION was ADOPTED 14-0.

Administrative Code and Land Use Committee -

<u>Item ACL – 01-041119:</u>

Commissioner Brodsky made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Spiegelman to approve Resolution No. 19-013 authorizing the Township Manager to execute all documents related to the Reimbursement Agreement – R18060035 (Abington Trail).

President Luker asked for any comments from Commissioners or staff.

Commissioner Thompson clarified that Page 2 of 38 in the Board's packet where it references "Jason" Avenue should be revised to "Jackson" Avenue.

Commissioner Vahey asked for further clarification of this item as well as description of the project.

Tim Clark, Assistant Director of Engineering, replied this is authorizing Township Manager to sign documents for the balance of the grant as outlined. The project of the Abington Trail will go from Crestmont Station over Rubicam winding up at Ardsley Train Station.

Vice President Kline added that this was part of the Master Bike Plan in which this route was identified as one of the easiest to implement after the Bike Plan was adopted. Simone Collins submitted TAP grant application and Township was awarded the grant from the State to fund this portion of the Master Bike Plan.

Manager Manfredi noted that in May or June, staff will bring before the Board, change orders and additional work authorizations in the amount of approximately \$10,000.00 to get this project done and those details will be vetted by Mr. Clark prior. The motion is a procedural requirement.

President Luker asked for any public comments.

Lora Lehmann, 1431 Bryant Lane, questioned whether residents know about the bike trail.

Vice President Kline replied that the Master Bike Plan was vetted during six or seven public meetings held by the Township and then adopted by the Board.

MOTION was ADOPTED 14-0.

<u>Item ACL – 02-041119:</u>

Commissioner Brodsky made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Spiegelman to award the preparation of the Abington Township Comprehensive Stormwater Management Plan to Wood Environment and Infrastructure Solutions, Inc. of Blue Bell, PA, in the amount of \$146,300.

President Luker asked for any comments from Commissioners or staff.

Commissioner Thompson asked for further information on this item.

Manager Manfredi explained that study of stormwater management in the Township is a high priority and budgeted was \$150,000 to perform that study to be incompliance of the goal of the Board of Commissioners.

Vice President Kline clarified that scope of the study will be done on public land/right-ofways. Is that correct?

Amy Montgomery, Director of Engineering/Code, replied it is not necessarily limited to public lands. Initially, the focus will be on three areas with staff working with selected consultants to identify projects that could be budgeted for the year 2020. Following that, we will work on a 10-year plan.

Manager Manfredi added that there will also be public engagement throughout that process.

Vice President Kline expressed concern about potential liability for the Township with regards to private property.

Manager Manfredi replied that if analysis garners an easement then it would be obtained.

President Luker asked for any public comments. There were none.

MOTION was ADOPTED 14-0.

Public Safety Committee –

Item PS-01-041119:

Commissioner Schreiber made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner DiPlacido to approve the Honorable Discharge and service-connected disability pension for Employee 3603.

President Luker asked for any comments from Commissioners or staff. There were none.

President Luker asked for any public comments. There were none.

MOTION was ADOPTED 14-0.

Item PS-02-041119:

Commissioner Schreiber made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner DiPlacido to accept the three-year proposal from Professional Health Services for NFPA 1582 compliant firefighter physicals at an annual cost per exam of \$346.44.

President Luker asked for any comments from Commissioners or staff. There were none.

President Luker asked for any public comments. There were none.

MOTION was ADOPTED 14-0.

Public Affairs Committee -

Item PA-01-041119:

Commissioner Spiegelman made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Gillespie to approve Resolution No. 19-014, the disposition of Parks and Recreation records according to Township policy.

President Luker asked for any comments from Commissioners or staff. There were none.

President Luker asked for any public comments. There were none.

MOTION was ADOPTED 14-0.

Item PA-02-041119:

Commissioner Spiegelman made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Schreiber to adopt Resolution No. 19-017 authorizing the submission of a grant application for the 2019 round of the Montco 2040 Implementation Grant Program for the Easton Road Streetscape Project.

President Luker asked for any comments from Commissioners or staff. There were none.

President Luker asked for any public comments. There were none.

MOTION was ADOPTED 14-0.

Item PA-03-141119:

Commissioner Spiegelman made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Schreiber to approve an extension of the agreement by and between the Department of Community & Economic Development for the Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant, which supports Phase I of the Old York Road/Susquehanna Road project until June 30, 2020 and authorizing the engineering design for the intersection improvements and demolition of properties.

President Luker asked for any comments from Commissioners or staff.

Vice President Kline asked for further information on this item.

Tara Wehmeyer, Assistant Township Manager, presented photos of the site.

Manager Manfredi explained that this project was approved by the Board through various resolutions with three multimodal grants; two from DCED and one from PennDOT. The motion relates to one of those DCED grants. The first grant was acquisition of several parcels; demolition of same and engineering of transportation traffic improvements at Old York and Susquehanna Roads. Properties 1100, 1102, 1104 and 1204 have already been acquired through this grant and 1907 is yet to be acquired. Grant funds include dollars for demolition and engineering design, and because this grant expires on June 30 2019 and in order to continue to move forward with this grant, we need extension to June 30th in a revised budget and revised plan of the next steps, which are not yet completed.

DCED grants combined with PennDOT's grant will be used for traffic improvements, and in order to move forward, we need to extend it for one year. Township has yet to use or execute agreement with PennDOT for remaining funds to complete all of these projects.

Vice President Kline asked for the timeframe of when construction would begin for traffic improvements.

Manager Manfredi replied it is difficult to provide an exact time; however, the Township needs to acquire or make a determination on the property located at 1907 as it is a critical acquisition to begin work at that corner.

Vice President Kline questioned whether funds will be expended during the one-year extension.

Manager Manfredi replied Township will need to find a way to do at least what is required by this grant extension of June 30, 2020, which is engineering design, demolition, and begin design of traffic improvements of the multimodal grant.

Commissioner Gillespie asked for the status of property located at 1907 Susquehanna Road.

Commissioner Spiegelman replied another appraisal of that property will be done.

President Luker asked for any public comments. There were none.

MOTION was ADOPTED 14-0.

Finance Committee –

Treasurer's Report:

Vice President Kline said the Treasurer's report is available for public review in the Township Manager's Office.

Item FC-02-041119:

Vice President Kline made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Vahey to approve the February expenditures as previously circulated to the Board in the amount of \$2,227,804.84 and salaries and wages in the amount of \$1,938,263.05 and authorize proper Township officials to sign vouchers in payment of bills and contracts as they mature through the month of May 2019.

Roll call resulted in motion being passed 14-0. Commissioner Bowman was absent during roll call.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Lora Lehmann, 1431 Bryant Lane, questioned why committee meetings were canceled.

Manager Manfredi replied there was no business to conduct.

REMARKS OF COMMISSIONERS:

Commissioner Zappone announced tomorrow night is the Ardsley Community Association's Seventh Annual Designer Bag Bingo event to be held at the VFW, doors open at 6 p.m. Sunday, April 14th will be the Sixth Annual Breakfast with the Easter Bunny/Egg Hunt at the VFW beginning at 9 a.m., and don't forget the run event on Saturday, April 13th.

Commissioner Gillespie said "Keep the Parade Running" Eight Annual event will be held on Saturday, April 13th at 8 a.m. in memory of her husband Mike Gillespie who kept that parade running 28 years ago. Sign ups are tomorrow night at the VFW from 6-8 p.m. or early Saturday morning.

Commissioner Vahey said he will support "Keep the Parade Running 5K Run" event. Also, he congratulated Deputy Chief Kelley Warner on her achievement as she was recognized by the Mid-Atlantic Association of Women in Law Enforcement's Lifetime Achievement Award that was very well-deserved. He announced that the Keswick Village's Spring Fling event will be held on April 28, 2019 beginning at 4 p.m. Please come out and support local businesses.

Commissioner Spiegelman gave kudos to Deputy Chief Kelley Warner on her outstanding, well-deserved honor. He reminded everyone that Primary Election Day will be held on Tuesday, May 21st and deadline to register to vote is April 22nd; you can register at <u>www.register.votespa.com</u>. There will be no voting at the senior high school due to construction of renovation project and polling place has been moved to the gymnasium of the junior high school, 2056 Susquehanna Road.

Commissioner Carswell announced on Monday, April 22nd we will be celebrating Earth Day at Roychester Park and hope to see you there.

Commissioner Schreiber announced that Deputy Chief Kelley Warner will be recognized at the next Public Safety Committee meeting in May. Also, the new voting machines will be at Arcadia on May 6th at 7 p.m.

Commissioner Myers made everyone aware of the Marijuana/Vaping Awareness event that will be held on Monday, April 22nd at the North Penn VFW at 7 p.m. and the presenter is a Professor and former DEA Agent and moderator will be retired Police Chief John Livingood. It is a community-wide event and she encouraged everyone to attend.

Commissioner Rothman announced that on Sunday, April 28, 2019 at Alverthorpe Park will be the Second Annual Pixie Dust Wishes Festival that includes a Run/Walk and Food Trucks in memory of Dylan Singer. Mission is to raise money for Disney trips for individuals with disabilities and special needs throughout Pennsylvania. Also, he thanked everyone who attended the Easter Egg Hunt at Alverthorpe Park.

Commissioner DiPlacido said baseball season is in full swing which means our children/teenagers will be walking to the park, so "when driving through Abington, please drive like your kids live here."

Commissioner Thompson said he would like everyone to join us at Dennis Dougherty Memorial Park on Saturday, April 27^{th} from 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. in observance of Arbor Day. Also, he gave a shout out to the EAC for being recognized in the U.S. GEC's recent quarterly magazine as Abington Township was recognized as one of 87 municipalities in the world as being LEED certified, and he thanked the EAC for it.

Vice President Kline said there is a traveling exhibit ongoing in the State of Pennsylvania about the efforts among local and county governmental entities to pass nondiscrimination ordinances and it is currently in the State Capitol, and hopefully will come to Montgomery County soon. He gave a shout out to and congratulated Commissioner Schreiber as she was prominently recognized in that exhibit for her courageous efforts in bringing nondiscrimination ordinance to Abington. There are still groups in our society discriminated against because of their lifestyle and the stand we took in Abington was a step in the right direction and hopefully that will change the nondiscrimination law in the State of Pennsylvania.

President Luker announced that there was a news release from the Government Finance Officers Association that the Township of Abington has received Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada for its comprehensive annual financial report. The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of government accounting and financial reporting and this attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management. He thanked staff of Finance Department for their longstanding accomplishment of 15 years consecutively.

Also, he was asked to participate in Student Government Day Program hosted by Abington Township for seniors of Abington High School along with State Representative Ben Sanchez and he thanked Ashley McIlvaine, Communications Manager for providing a power point presentation for the students as it was very informative. He also thanked Manager Manfredi and District Judge Juanita Price and all department heads involved with this program.

April 11, 2019

ADJOURNMENT: 8:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard J. Manfredi, Township Manager/Secretary

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Resolutions adopted by the Board of Commissioners on April 11, 2019 were as follows:

Resolution No. 19-015 Resolution No. 19-016 Resolution No. 19-013 Resolution No. 19-014 Resolution No. 19-017

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A RESOLUTION, BY AUTHORITY OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP MANAGER, TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS RELATED TO THE REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT – R18060035 (ABINGTON TRAIL) and sign this Agreement on behalf of the MUNICIPALITY.

BE IT RESOLVED, by authority of the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Abington, Montgomery County, and it is hereby resolved by authority of the same, that the Township Manager of said MUNICIPALITY be authorized and directed to execute all documents related to the Reimbursement Agreement – R18060035 (Abington Trail) and sign this Agreement on behalf of the MUNICIPALITY.

ATTEST:

Richard J. Manfredi, Secretary and Township Manager

TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON

Bv:

Wayne C. Luker, President Board of Commissioners

I, Wayne C. Luker, President of the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Abington, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners held this 11th day of April, 2019.

16.19 DATE:

Wayne C. Luker, President Board of Commissioners

TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

RESOLUTION NO. 19-014

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSITION OF CERTAIN PARKS AND RECREATION OFFICE RECORDS

WHEREAS, by virtue of Resolution No.16-036, adopted March 10, 2011, the Township of Abington declared its intent to follow the schedules and procedures for the disposition of

records as set forth in the Municipal Records Manual approved December 16, 2008, and,

WHEREAS, in accordance with Act 428 of 1968 each individual act of disposition shall

be approved by resolution of the governing body of the municipality;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED this 16th day of April, 2019, that the Board

of Commissioners of the Township of Abington, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, in

accordance with the above-cited Municipal Records Manual, hereby authorizes the disposition of

the public records as set forth in Exhibit "A" hereto.

Attest:

Richard J. Manfredi Township Manager & Secretary

By:

TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON

Wayne Q. Luker, President Board of Commissioners

Exhibit "A" DISPOSITION OF PARKS AND RECREATION OFFICE RECORDS AS LISTED BELOW:

2011 and prior

Reference

• FN-18 Purchase Order Files, Retain 7 years (Purchase Order Park's Office Copies)

2013 and prior

Reference

• PR-3 Operation and Maintenance Records, Retain 5 years (Alverthorpe Park Daily Reports)

2015 and prior

Reference

• FN-12 Daily Cash Records, Retain 3 years (Alverthorpe Park Receipts)

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APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON EMPLOYEES' AND POLICE PENSION PLANS

WHEREAS, the Township of Abington does maintain two pension plans; and

WHEREAS, said plans are known as the Township of Abington Municipal Employees' Pension Plan and the Township of Abington Police Pension Plan; and

WHEREAS, the present Chief Administrative Officer, Kevin S. Barron, has accepted the position of Public Works Director on January 1, 2019;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Richard J. Manfredi be appointed Chief Administrative Officer for the Township of Abington Employees' and Police Pension Plans, effective the 11th day of April, 2019.

RESOLVED, at the meeting of the Board of Commissioners this 11th day of April, 2019.

TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON

Wayne O. Luker, President Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Richard J. Manfredi, Township Manager & Secretary

APPOINTMENT OF AUTHORIZED SIGNER FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON EMPLOYEES' AND POLICE PENSION PLANS

WHEREAS, the Township of Abington does maintain two pension plans; and

WHEREAS, said plans are known as the Township of Abington Municipal Employees' Pension Plan and the Township of Abington Police Pension Plan; and

WHEREAS, Richard J. Manfredi was appointed Chief Administrative Officer on the 11th day of April, 2019; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Employer to provide alternative signers for administrative operations of said plans;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Jeannette M. Hermann be appointed an authorized signer on behalf of the Township of Abington Employees' and Police Pension Plans, effective the 11th day of April, 2019.

RESOLVED, at the meeting of the Board of Commissioners this 11th day of April, 2019.

TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON

Wayne Q. Luker, President Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Richard J. Manfredfi, Township Manager & Secretary

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE 2019 ROUND OF THE MONTCO 2040 IMPLEMENTATION GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Montgomery County has established the Montco 2040 Implementation Grant Program as a competitive funding program to assist municipalities in implementing the goals of the county comprehensive plan, *Montco 2040: A Shared Vision;* and

WHEREAS, the County is accepting applications for projects that advance specific goals under either of the county comprehensive plan's three themes: Connecting Communities, Sustainable Places, and a Vibrant Economy; and

WHEREAS, applications and projects must meet all stated requirements within the Montco 2040 Implementation Grant Program Guidebook; and

WHEREAS, Abington Township wishes to obtain \$192,000 from the Montco 2040 Implementation Grant Program to provide funding for the Easton Road Streetscape Project which is based upon recommendations that have been identified in the Roslyn Revitalization Plan completed in 2010; and

WHEREAS, Abington Township is aware that this grant program will require a local match and the Township intends to exceed a 20% match; and

IN WITNESS THEROF, I affix my hand and attach the seal of the Abington Township Board of Commissioners this 11th day of April 2019.

ABINGTON TOWNSHIP

Wayne C. Luker, President Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Richard J. Manfredi, Township Manager & Secretary