Board of Commissioners – Public Hearing - Verizon Cable Franchise Renewal

June 13, 2019

The Public Hearing of the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Abington on Verizon Cable Franchise Renewal was held on Thursday, June 13, 2019 at the Township Administration Building, Abington, PA., with President Luker presiding.

CALL TO ORDER: 7:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present: Commissioners MYERS, BRODSKY,

DiPLACIDO, WINEGRAD, THOMPSON, SCHREIBER, CARSWELL, SPIEGELMAN, VAHEY, GILLESPIE,

ZAPPONE, BOWMAN, KLINE, LUKER

Excused: ROTHMAN

Also Present: Township Manager MANFREDI

Assistant Township Manager WEHMEYER

Township Solicitor CLARKE

President Luker opened Public Hearing at 7:01 p.m. and announced that this a public hearing in regards to Verizon Cable Franchise Renewal for Abington Township. This public hearing is being held pursuant to Section 626 of the Federal Cable Act, which sets forth the process of franchise renewal. The Township's current franchise with Verizon will expire soon and the Township is in the process of renewing the franchise. This public hearing is part of the preliminary portion of the franchise renewal in which the Township reviews the cable operators past performance and identifies the Township's future cable-related community needs.

As such, as part of this public hearing, we invite comments from any citizens who wish to speak regarding either or both of the aforementioned subjects. Franchise renewal is the best opportunity for municipalities to assert their rights with respect to the cable operator and to obtain important benefits in return for granting the cable operator's the right to use their public rights-of-way.

These benefits include:

- 1. A state of the art cable system now and in the future.
- 2. Strong customer service standards.
- 3. Free services to community facilities.
- 4. Better reporting requirements from the cable operator.
- 5. Maximize franchise fees.
- 6. An Educational and Governmental EG Channel.
- 7. Capital support for active EG Channels.
- 8. Legal protections of the rights-of-way.
- 9. Better mechanisms to enforce the franchise agreement.

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These are just some of the potential benefits available through franchise renewal. Citizens may address these items or any other cable-related items that are important to them.

President Luker opened the hearing for citizen comments.

Lora Lehman, 1431 Bryant Lane, expressed concern about "Commercials popping up all over the place and it is not o.k. for that amount of advertising. Also, shows that are not good for families and children should be marked better and better customer service is needed overall, and there should be clearer announcements posted about what to do when there are problems affecting the service. Shorter times are needed to get techs out to fix a problem; there are delayed emails; and we would like to know whether emails and phone conversations are being collected via NSA or other mechanisms; whether Verizon sells email addresses without permission; if computer microphones are turned around to become listening devices and whether cameras are turned around."

President Luker announced that comments received via email or other forms of communications will be recognized and will be incorporated into the record.

President Luker closed Public Hearing at 7:08 p.m.

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Presentation began at 7:15 p.m.

Chief Molloy said it is a distinct honor to present to the Board of Commissioners and our community our newest member of our Command Staff, Lt. Shawn Williams, who is a 28-year veteran of the Abington Township Police Department. Shawn was born and raised in the North Hills section of Abington Township, and he is a product of the Abington School District and a proud graduate of Abington Senior High School. Lt. Williams is the son of Joanne Williams and the late Dick Williams, who was a Juvenile Detective of Abington Township Police Department.

Lt. Williams joined the police department in 1991 and graduated from State Police Academy. He served as a Field Training Officer; a member of the Montgomery County Narcotics Enforcement Team; a D.A.R.E. Officer; Officer at Roslyn Elementary School and member of the SWAT Team. In 2010, Shawn was promoted to the rank of Sergeant and assigned to the newly-formed Anti-Crime Team. Lt. Williams earned a Bachelors Degree of Science from West Chester University, and in 2015, he graduated from West Point Command and Leadership School.

Throughout his career, Shawn has committed to mentoring young people from Abington Township along with his wife Beth Ann, who serves on the Youth Aid Panel. From 2005 until 2018, Shawn also ran a scholarship in his father's name, "The Dick Williams Memorial Scholarship" for Abington residents who needed help paying for college.

Shawn lives in Abington with his wife and children where he loves reading, gardening and manicuring his lawn, but above all, he loves this community and the Abington Township Police Department.

Congratulations to Lt. Shawn Williams, the newest member of the Command Staff of the Abington Township Police Department.

District Judge Juanita A. Price administered the Oath of Office to Lt. Shawn Williams before the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Abington on this 13th day of June, 2019.

Presentation ended at 7:24 p.m.

The stated meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Abington was held on Thursday, June 13, 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,

DIPLACIDO, WINEGRAD, THOMPSON, SCHREIBER, CARSWELL, SPIEGELMAN, VAHEY, GILLESPIE,

ZAPPONE, BOWMAN, KLINE, LUKER

Excused: ROTHMAN

Also Present: Township Manager MANFREDI

Assistant Township Manager WEHMEYER

Township Solicitor CLARKE

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS FOLLOWED BY A MOMENT OF SILENCE TO HONOR THE PASSING OF MR. LEW KLEIN, WHO WAS FOUNDER AND PRESIDENT OF ABINGTON PAL AND WHO HAD A HUGE HEART FOR CHILDREN, AND THERE WOULD NOT BE AN ABINGTON PAL TODAY IF IT HAD NOT BEEN FOR MR. LEW KLEIN.

BOARD PRESIDENT ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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

President Luker read the following statement into the record:

"At the May 9, 2019 Board of Commissioners Meeting, there were words spoken by a member of this Board that, as I and other Commissioners acknowledged that same evening, were unacceptable. A great deal of time has been spent in addressing what occurred that evening. Commissioner Myers agrees that it is in the best interest of the people we serve to put this matter behind us and Commissioner Kline has assured me that he will never act again in the manner that he did that evening as a member of this Board. This Board will move forward in heightened awareness to and intolerance for any such behavior in the future."

President Luker read announcements from Commissioners of their respective wards:

From Commissioner Jimmy DiPlacido of Ward 4 –

'Before you set up your chairs in Glenside, be sure to visit the McKinley Fourth of July Parade and Peanut festivities. Our event will begin promptly at 9:15 a.m. at the McKinley Fire House.'

'Also, "Battle of the Badges;" nearly 70 units of whole blood were collected at our first "Battle of the Badges Blood Drive" on Monday. This equates to over 200 lives saved in our community. The Abington Fire Department edged out the Abington Police Department by eight donations. The Abington Fire Department is the newly-crowned champs this year, but I'm sure the Abington Police Department does not want them to keep that title for long. Special thanks goes to all those who have supported this event namely Chief Patrick Molloy, Fire Chief John Rohrer, Dave Schramm, Lt. Earl Saurman, Sergeant Roger Gillespie, Dave Corrigan, the Edge Hill Fire Company, Township staff and Commissioners, and especially, our community for donating a small amount of time for such an incredibly worthy cause. Awesome event and can't wait until next year from your Ward 4 Commissioner Jimmy DiPlacido.'

From Commissioner Carol Gillespie of Ward 13 –

'Coffee with a Cop at the newly-remodeled Burger King on Easton Road will be this Saturday, June 15th from 9 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.'

'Also, the Greater Glenside Patriotic Association's July 4th all-day celebration begins with the children's program at Retinger Park in Cheltenham at 10 a.m. with the parade stepping off at 4 p.m. from the North Penn VFW Post on Jenkintown Road, and new this year at 7:30 p.m., the United States Air Force Heritage Band will be performing on the football field behind the Abington School District's Administration Building on the field between the Junior and Senior High Schools, and the fireworks will begin at 9 p.m. A wonderful day is in store for all from your Ward 13 Commissioner Carol Gillespie.'

From Commissioner John Spiegelman of Ward 11 –

'Anything with a Plug and Food Drive will be this Saturday, June 15th from 9 a.m. – noon at the Township's Public Works facility at 2201 Florey Lane, Abington. During the collection, the Abington Township Environmental Advisory Council collects nonperishable food items and personal care items to help the Interfaith Food Cupboard of Abington to keep helping our neighbors in need.'

'Also, there is a Household Hazardous Waste Collection on Saturday, June 22nd from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. at the Abington Junior High School at 2056 Susquehanna Road from your Ward 11 Commissioner John Spiegelman.'

PRESENTATIONS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS:

Lora Lehman, 1431 Bryant Lane, expressed concern that she feels the "speaking rules attached to the agenda are wrong and need to reflect what the ordinance says."

CONSENT AGENDA:

Vice President Kline requested to remove Item g. – ACL-01-061319 from the Consent Agenda and placed under Administrative Code & Land Use Committee section to be voted on separately as he will need to recuse himself from that vote.

Vice President Kline made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Schreiber to approve Items a.-f and h.-n., as listed under Consent Agenda as follows:

To approve the minutes of the Board of Commissioners May 9, 2019 Regular Meeting.

To approve investments for the month of April 2019. It was noted investments for the month totaled \$864,000.00. Interest rate yields ranged from 2.300% to 2.350%.

To approve the Clearing Fund, the Deferred Revenue/Expense activity and Petty Cash balances for the month of April as previously circulated to the Board. Clearing fund receipts and disbursements for the month of April 2019 were \$49,335.09 and (\$2,466.84), respectively. Deferred Revenue/Expense receipts and disbursements for the month of April 2019 were \$0.00 and (\$10,000.00), respectively.

To approve the Advance and Travel Expense activity for April 2019 as previously circulated to the Board. Advance and Travel Expense reports were \$0.00 and \$16,032.11, respectively. Four-month expenses totaled \$23,453.84.

To adopt Resolution No. 19-018 authorizing the disposition of certain Finance Office records as set forth in Exhibit "A."

To reject the 2019 Landscape Maintenance bid proposal, amend the bid document to be re-bid through December 31, 2021.

To accept the request of the applicant Sussman Associates II, LLC – KIA Dealership to take no action on this application and to formally accept the time waiver as submitted.

To accept the request of the applicant Elaine Associates, LP – Mazda to take no action on this application and to formally accept the time waiver as submitted.

To adopt Ordinance No. 2165, amending Chapter 156 – "Vehicles and Traffic," Article II – "Traffic Regulations," Section 14 – "Stop Intersections" and Article III – "Parking Regulations," Section 25 – "Parking Prohibited At All Times; No Parking Between Signs; No Parking Here to Corner," to add Stop intersections on Green Road, Eagle Road, Moredon Road, Pembroke Road, Upsal Road and Rubicam Avenue; add "No Parking Here To Corner" on Arbuta Road, Central Avenue and Montgomery Avenue.

To appoint candidates Christine Worrell and Raymond Delossantos from the Civil Service Eligibility List to the position of Probationary Police Officer provided they successfully complete the Background, Physical and Psychological tests and all entry requirements of the Municipal Police Officers' Education and Training Commission for Act 120 Training effective August 12, 2019 and to appoint Artese DeJesus from Civil Service Eligibility List to the position of Probationary Police Officer provided he successfully completes the Background, Physical and Psychological tests and all entry requirements of the Municipal Police Officers' Education and Training Commission for Act 120 Training effective September 9, 2019.

To adopt Resolution No. 19-021 the disposition of Abington Township Police Department records according to Township policy.

To award the Ardsley Community Center Gym Floor bid to All Sports Enterprises Inc. in the amount of \$35,000.00.

To adopt Resolution No. 19-022, the "Ready for 100" renewable energy.

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

MOTION was ADOPTED 14-0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Public Affairs Committee –

Item PA-01-050919:

Commissioner Spiegelman made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Thompson to consider the Hunter Soccer Club proposal and possible agreement.

President Luker asked for any comments from Commissioners or staff.

Commissioner Zappone clarified that included in the agreement is language that any increase in fees to the Township is Hunter Soccer Club's responsibility. Is that correct?

Solicitor Clarke replied yes. If there is any increase in fees to the Township that would be the responsibility of Hunter Soccer Club and that was included.

Commissioner Vahey said there are still incomplete terms in the contract.

Manager Manfredi replied there were two incomplete items that were reviewed with Mr. Manchester of Hunter Soccer Club. Referring to the agreement under Conversion of Upper Field, Paragraph IV should read, "The turf field shall be completed no later than 90-days from final land development approval by the Township," and the language of specific dates continues.

The other area of review was Replacement of Upper Field, Item 1.A – Mr. Manchester has agreed that at the end of the term of this agreement, if the field is turned back to the Township, Hunter Soccer Club would return the field in a new condition or back to a natural surface field at the discretion and approval of the Township at that time and at no cost to the Township, and that term was negotiated today.

Commissioner Vahey recommended tabling this until next month when that contractual language would be in the agreement.

Commissioner Gillespie clarified that they will put in a new turf field. Is that correct?

Manager Manfredi replied they will bring it to the standard of "new" or return it to a natural surface, whatever the Township decides.

Commissioner Bowman made a MOTION to AMEND the MOTION to incorporate the changes that Township Manager just referenced in place of original agreement to the satisfaction of the Township Manager and Township Solicitor, seconded by Commissioner Thompson.

Bill Manchester, President of Hunter Soccer Club, said we agree with changes put forth; however, waiting another month would cost an additional \$30,000, so it is crucial to get this passed tonight. There will be the option of new turf or we will re-sod it completely at no cost to the Township.

Vice President Kline questioned whether there will be escrow money put in place.

Manager Manfredi replied no. We discussed today that they would agree to do that at no cost to the Township, so therefore, no escrow money would be required; however, an irrevocable letter of credit will be provided.

Solicitor Clarke added that the letter of credit would survive if Hunter Soccer Club folds because it will be with a bank and will have an "Evergreen" provision in that the letter of credit will never sunset and will commensurate with future actual costs.

Commissioner Vahey said he does not feel comfortable voting for language that has just been changed.

Commissioner Carswell agreed with her fellow Commissioner as it is important to see every dollar in the agreement and every word spelled out. This is a new development and we owe the soccer organization as well as the Township the due diligence of having that exact language in front of us so we know what we are voting on.

Commissioner Thompson said there are blanks in the agreement on terms for the Board to set and Mr. Manchester agreed to whatever terms that will be set. Mr. Manchester has not written anything in the contract as it has been written by Township Solicitor with very little input from Mr. Manchester who has been willing to accept it all. He does not understand why we cannot get this done with an amendment to the motion to set these terms and move this project forward. We would be asking a lot of a nonprofit to defer this for another month, and he asked to move this forward for the sake of the Township and the sake of Hunter Soccer Club.

Commissioner Spiegelman suggested following Commissioner Bowman's motion and spell out exactly what is in the blanks so everyone will have what is being voted on in front of them.

Commissioner Vahey asked for further explanation of the agreement.

Solicitor Clarke replied one blank being filled in will say, "Within 90-days of getting their (Hunter Soccer Club's) land development approval, they have to start construction." The second part is that on Page 4 of 13 under Replacement of Upper Field section; originally it was written that they would escrow money in an account, so that if the field was going to be replaced or removed and they did not have the financial ability to do that, the Township would have that escrow money. Per discussion between Hunter Soccer Club and Manager Manfredi, Hunter Soccer Club felt more comfortable with paying for a letter of credit instead of posting escrow. So we would eliminate that section regarding posting escrow and say, "Replacement of the field, repair of the field and returning it back to its normal state would be covered by an irrevocable letter of credit," and we would add language to that effect.

Commissioner Spiegelman clarified that would replace Item C.1.a. Is that correct?

Solicitor Clarke replied yes, Item C.

Manager Manfredi added that it would be Items C 1.a. and C 1.b. and the final language will say that "it will be coordinated with the Township."

Commissioner Spiegelman added that the amended motion on the floor has been detailed by Solicitor Clarke and called for the vote to amend.

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MOTION to AMEND the MOTION – PASSED 14-0.

MOTION as AMENDED – PASSED 14-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

Administrative Code & Land Use Committee -

<u>Item g. ACL-01-061319 that was moved from Consent Agenda:</u>

Commissioner Brodsky made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Gillespie to approve the Switchville Crossing Planning Module and adopting Resolution No. 19-020 for Plan Revision for New Land Development, including the Transmittal Letter for Planning Module.

President Luker asked for any comments from Commissioners or staff.

Vice President Kline said he will recuse himself from this vote as he is the architect for the project.

MOTION was ADOPTED 13-0.

Appointments to the Comprehensive Development Task Plan Team:

Commissioner Brodsky called on Commissioner Thompson.

Commissioner Thompson said he spent the past month recruiting nine team members for the Comprehensive Development Team and we have tentative approvals from eight volunteers who would like to represent the Township on this team. Resumes are before the Board tonight for review and he requested that the Board take a week to make any objections; however, he would like the begin working on the Comprehensive Plan by the end of June.

Manager Manfredi clarified that Commissioner Thompson wants the Board to have plenty of time to review the resumes; however, he does not want to wait until next month, so perhaps a motion would be to allow Commissioner Thompson, to fill and the Board appoint, the various candidates conditioned upon the Board of Commissioners having time to review, interview, speak with and feel comfortable with those candidates and then let Commissioner Thompson know if there are any objections.

Commissioner Brodsky suggested due to July 4th holiday extend review to a 14-21-day period.

Commissioner Thompson said he would prefer two weeks.

Commissioner Bowman made a MOTION to adopt the procedure outlined by Township Manager to allow Commissioner Thompson to seek these candidates tentatively, and if there is an objection, we can gather next month to object and perhaps remove that person through the Township's usual procedure, seconded by Commissioner Spiegelman.

President Luker asked for any comments from Commissioners.

Commissioner Brodsky clarified that the 14-day time period begins from today's date. Is that correct?

Commissioner Thompson replied yes.

MOTION was ADOPTED 14-0.

Finance Committee -

Treasurer's Report:

Vice President Kline announced that Township Treasurer Jay Blumenthal is not in attendance this evening; however, the Treasurer's report is available in the Township Manager's Office at the request of any resident of the Township.

Item FC-05-011519:

Vice President Kline made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Thompson to transfer \$1,684,620.00 from Sewer Capital Fund Balance to Sewer Capital Account #17-10-966-7335 Tookany Basin Upgrades.

President Luker asked for any comments from Commissioners or staff.

Vice President Kline thanked Mr. Wrigley and Manager Manfredi for the cooperation with rep of Jenkintown Borough in discussion of the numbers for the interceptor project in Cheltenham and the ongoing efforts making sure that the Township is paying its fair-share and no more.

MOTION was ADOPTED 14-0.

Item FC-02-061319:

Vice President Kline made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Schreiber to approve the April expenditures as previously circulated to the Board in the amount of \$1,757,540.49 and salaries and wages in the amount of \$1,892,796.04, and authorizing the proper officials to sign vouchers in payment of bills and contracts as they mature through the month of July 2019.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

The following resident's comments are as stated by each of them:

Kathleen Widman, 669 Forrest Avenue, stated that "I am Vice Chairperson of ATRO, a political organization, and the action taken or lack thereof by this Board as it relates to treatment of a female Commissioner of this Board for over 20 years, is despicable. It is inconceivable to me as a woman that a sitting Board member in a position of power was not only permitted to send an email to every Commissioner and deliberately omit Commissioner Myers, and as a result of this petty and spiteful decision, Commissioner Myers was unprepared that evening. What this Commissioner openly admitted to at the last meeting was wrong, petty, misogynistic and sexist. This Commissioner still chairs committees and no redress has been taken. Members of the community are terrified about retaliation, but I am not one of them. Taxpayers of Abington are watching and we deserve better and so does Commissioner Myers."

Natalie Sherstyuk, 1165 Delene Road, stated that "I was outraged because of the conduct of Vice President Kline toward Ms. Myers at last month's meeting. The significance of what occurred has many ramifications in that Mr. Kline, by his own admission, willfully deleted Ms. Myers from the official list and all future emails, and the email sent except for Ms. Myers contained relevant information regarding candidates for various volunteer positions for voting purposes. Needless to say, Ms. Myers felt she could not vote because she was not given the information to make an educational decision. What I am outraged about is that the voting occurred anyway rather than being postponed and there were no repercussions for Mr. Kline's conduct. I would like to see a resolution to this matter by not allowing Mr. Kline to chair any committee and a vote for a new Vice President."

Lynn Faulkner, Roslyn Avenue, stated that "many of us that are here tonight are glad to hear that this kind of conduct is not acceptable in Abington, but is this enough? Someone made the decision to block and ignore a woman Commissioner who has been representing her district for 22 years, and I feel he should step down. This is not the Abington that I grew up in."

Christina Mars, 2941 Oklahoma Road, stated that "in today's age, it is important to get young people out to vote and that is why I am very disappointed that my representative, Peggy Myers was not able to take part in last meeting's vote because of a personal issue that should never have been brought through these doors. Not only was she cheated out of her ability to do her job, but I was also cheated out of a vote as a citizen of the district. Please make sure that it is the people before your personal issues."

Neal Gale, 2214 Jenkintown Road, thanked the Board for passing the "Ready for 100" resolution tonight as it is a huge step for the Township and he appreciates the Board's commitment.

Cakky Evans, 1132 Lindsay Lane, stated that there will be an event at the end of this month and the Board of Commissioners will be invited.

Jamie Mares, 1561 Marian Road, stated that "I am here because of Peggy, and I saw what happened at that meeting and it was disgusting. It is not about Republican or Democrat, and you are elected to do what is best for the constituents. I saw Steve Kline bully a woman Commissioner and everyone should have spoken up because she stands up for her constituents."

Martin Smith, 1838 Harte Road, stated that "Commissioner Carswell did come to her defense at the last meeting and I sent a note thanking her for her bravery. Also, I thank you for your service to our community and appreciate it."

Lora Lehmann, 1431 Bryant Lane, stated that "I am guessing people don't know about the lawsuit that can be found on www.montcopa.org site. Commissioner Kline has withheld the news from me as has Commissioner Spiegelman knocked me off of their list because I keep several thousand people informed about what is going on in the Township, and that can't keep happening."

Jean Bova, 357 Keswick Avenue, stated that "what Mr. Kline did to Commissioner Myers was uncalled for and was appalling and upset me immensely. As a Board, you are all supposed to work together and be transparent with each other and everyone in this Township. You are here to work for us as we elected you and gain respect that was lost from a lot of constituents in this Township. I feel Mr. Kline owes a public apology to Commissioner Myers."

Alan Boris, 659 Hamel Avenue, stated that "I agree that you owe Commissioner Myers an apology. To Commissioner Michael Thompson; my wife and I have known you for a short time since you ran on the democratic ticket and won the election as our Commissioner and you're amazing and have conducted yourself...it's like a breath of fresh air with you. Whenever we have a problem or concern, my wife calls and you always get back to us, stop by the house and discuss whatever problems or issues we had. I respect a person who carries himself with the utmost professionalism and courtesy and you are doing a great job."

Susan Boris 659 Hamel Avenue stated "why don't we, the people, vote for you to step down tonight?"

ADJOURNMENT:

8:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard J. Manfredi, Township Manager/Secretary

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Resolutions and Ordinance adopted by the Board of Commissioners on June 13, 2019 were as follows:

Resolution No. 19-018 Ordinance No. 2165 Resolution No. 19-021 Resolution No. 19-022



TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

RESOLUTION NO. 19-018

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

WHEREAS, by virtue of Resolution No.11-009, 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 13th day of June, 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.

TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON

Attest:

Richard J. Manfredi.

Township Manager & Secretary

By:

Wayne C. Luker, President

Board of Commissioners

TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

ORDINANCE NO. 2165

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING
CHAPTER 156 – "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC,"
ARTICLE II – "TRAFFIC REGULATIONS,"
SECTION 14 – "STOP INTERSECTIONS"; AND
ARTICLE III – "PARKING REGULATIONS"
SECTIONS 25 – "PARKING PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES; NO PARKING BETWEEN
SIGNS; NO PARKING HERE TO CORNER",
AND 28 – "SPECIAL PURPOSE PARKING ZONES"

WHEREAS, the Township of Abington is a Township of the First Class, duly organized and existing pursuant to the applicable laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 1502.44 of the First Class Township Code of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, 53 P.S. §56544, the Board of Commissioners has the authority to enact and amend provisions of the Abington Township Code ("Code") at any time it deems necessary for the health, safety, morals, general welfare, cleanliness, beauty, convenience and comfort of the Township and the inhabitants thereof; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 1502.10 of the First Class Township Code of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, 53 P.S. §56510, the Board of Commissioners has the authority to take all needful means for securing the safety of persons or property within the Township; and

WHEREAS. pursuant to section 1502.49 of the First Class Township Code of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, 53 P.S. §56549, the Board of Commissioners has the authority to regulate traffic and parking; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Abington has determined that the Code of Ordinances of the Township of Abington shall be amended at Chapter 156 – "Vehicles and Traffic," Article II – "Traffic Regulations," Sections 10 – "U-Turns," and 14 –

"Stop Intersections," and Article III – "Parking Regulations," at Sections 25 – "Parking Prohibited at All Times; No Parking Between Signs; No Parking Here to Corner," and 28 – "Special Purpose Parking Zones," should be amended for the health, safety, morals, general welfare, cleanliness, beauty, convenience and comfort of the Township and the inhabitants thereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Abington does hereby ENACT and ORDAIN as follows:

The Code of the Township of Abington is amended at Chapter 156 - "Vehicles and
Traffic." Article II - "Traffic Regulations," at Section 14 - "Stop Intersections." to add
the following restrictions:

Name of Highway	Side	Location
Moredon Road	East and Wet	at Old Ford Road
Green Road	Southbound	at Grisdale Avenue
Eagle Road	Westbound	at Green Road
Pembroke Road	West Side	at Beverly Road
Upsal Road	Northbound	at Delene Road
Rubicam Avenue	Westbound	at Coolidge Avenue

2. The Code of the Township of Abington is amended at Chapter 156 - "Vehicles and Traffic," Article III - "Parking Regulations," at Section 25 - "Parking Prohibited at All Times; No Parking Between Signs; No Parking Here to Corner," to add the following restrictions:

No Parking	Side	Location
Arbuta Road	East Side	30ft. South of the posted stop sign at Susquehanna Road
Central Avenue	West Side	30ft. South of Jenkintown Road
Montgomery Avenue	South Side	30ft. West of Huntingdon Pike

- 3. All other ordinances, portions of ordinances, or any section of the Code inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.
 - 4. This Ordinance shall become effective five (5) days after enactment.

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TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Attest:

Richard J. Manfredi,

Township Manager & Secretary

By:

Vayna Lukar Pracident

TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

RESOLUTION NO. 19-021

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

WHEREAS, by virtue of Resolution No.19-021, adopted June 13, 2019, 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, Act 428 of 1968 provides that each individual act of disposition shall be approved by resolution of the governing body of the municipality;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED this 13th day of June, 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 all employment records for persons not hired by the Abington Township Police Department, except for those received in the last two (2) years, as provided by State Law.

TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON

Attest:

Richard J. Manfredi,

Township Manager & Secretary

By:

Wayne C. Luker, President

Board of Commissioners

RESOLUTION No. 2019 - 022

Abington Township, Pennsylvania Ready For 100 Renewable Energy Resolution

A Vision For a 100% Clean, Renewable Energy Future

WHEREAS: The ongoing change in the global climate presents an existential, long-term threat to the survival of our civilization and Earth's living ecosystems;

WHEREAS: Increasingly more frequent and more extreme weather events due to the ongoing change in the global climate, pose immediate and local risks;

WHEREAS: The increase in global heat caused by the release of greenhouse gases (GHG) into the atmosphere, due in large part to the use of fossil fuels, is a major contributor to the ongoing change in the global climate;

WHEREAS: Climate change impacts will test our infrastructure, emergency and social services; impact our access to food, water and energy supplies; and heighten disruption of services, commerce and quality of life;

WHEREAS: The 2015 United Nations Climate Change Conference in Paris resulted in a consensus among all 195 countries to limit the increase in global average temperatures to well below 2°C, ensure that GHG emissions will not exceed sinks (total carbon capture) by the second half of this century, and become carbon neutral between 2050 and 2100;

WHEREAS: The UN Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) released a report in October, 2018, wherein the world's leading climate scientists have warned that we have only twelve years to act in order to keep average global temperatures from rising above 1.5 degrees C. Beyond that, even half a degree will significantly worsen the risks of drought, floods, extreme heat and poverty for hundreds of millions of people.

WHEREAS: Abington Township has demonstrated its commitment to reducing its energy consumption by:

- Leading as one of the first municipalities in the Delaware Valley region to retrofit traffic signals to LED
- Committing to 100% renewable electricity for all Township buildings and operations
- Enhancing the Township's 2016 3 STAR Community™ sustainability assessment rating through analysis and successful advocacy for 100% Renewable Electricity which will reduce Township GHG by 5,625 inetric tons annually

- Completing the Township's third annual CDP.net Cities Environmental Disclosure, achieving an overall "Awareness" score for its 2018 Questionnaire Submittal
- Recognition by the U.S. Green Building Council as a LEED Certified City for future sustainability benchmarking and expansion
- Having a robust recycling and composting program that has resulted in significant waste diversion and reuse of materials.

WHEREAS: Abington Township is committed to being a community characterized by health, safety, livability, prosperity and equity;

WHEREAS: Abington Township recognizes that it has a responsibility to future generations to strive to take an active stand to reduce GHG emissions within the township;

WHEREAS: One key strategy for achieving a cost effective, even cost saving, energy source transition is through collaboration with other Montgomery County communities, participating in aggregated procurement contracts - Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) - for regional wind and solar energy; to this end, Abington Township recognizes the importance of developing a positive, working relationship with its electric energy supplier(s) to create the most advantageous and mutually beneficial plan for integrating locally-generated power;

WHEREAS: A renewable energy initiative can produce energy cost savings for residents and local businesses while stimulating new economic activity and local jobs, all while simultaneously providing life-protecting benefits for everyone;

Be IT RESOLVED THAT:

- Abington Township will join with other leading towns and cities in the national Ready for 100 movement, to strive to achieve transitioning to 100% clean, renewable energy for all as follows:
 - Striving to transition to 100% clean renewable electricity, community-wide by 2035;
 - Striving to transition to 100% clean renewable energy when replacing space conditioning, hot water, and transportation equipment and vehicles by 2050;
 - Striving to transition Abington Township's vehicle fleet to 100% electric vehicles by 2030;
 - Acknowledging clean, renewable energy will be defined as carbon-free and pollution-free energy generated sustainably from renewable sources such as wind, solar, small hydro, tidal, fuel cells and geothermal;
- The Abington Township Environmental Advisory Council will provide guidance as requested, by the Abington Township Board of Commissioners, and the Office of the Township Manager in setting a goal to draft an energy transition plan for achieving these goals within a year. This plan

will include interim milestones, financial impacts, equity metrics, potential financing mechanisms, and percentage of clean energy that is locally produced;

- Locally produced and distributed energy is prioritized whenever feasible for the many advantages it provides to the community;
- Sustainability will be integrated into the work flow of Abington Township Departments including Wastewater, Public Works, Engineering and Code, Parks and Recreation, Community Development, Fire, and Police.
- All Abington Township stakeholders will have the opportunity and will be encouraged to participate in the planning and implementation process;
- Abington Township calls on the State of Pennsylvania to set a goal to use 100% renewable energy for all purposes no later than 2050; to adopt codes and standards to increase the efficiency of buildings and appliances; to increase the Alternative Energy Portfolio Standards to levels that put us on track to ineet 100% renewable energy goals;
- For their commitment to this renewable energy transition, we commend the municipalities of Bridgeport, Phoenixville, Haverford, West Chester, Downingtown, Springfield, Ambler, Schuylkill Township, Radnor, Cheltenham and Whitemarsh for being leaders in setting goals for the transition to renewable energy in their communities.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this resolution is effective immediately upon approval.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this Resolution was adopted by Abington Township at its public meeting held on the 13th day of June, 2019.

ATTEST:

Richard J. Manfredi

Township Manager & Secretary

ABINGTON TOWNSHIP

Wayne G. Luker, Presider