

**TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**March 12, 2015
7:30 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

**ROLL CALL ZAPPONE, SPIEGELMAN, SANCHEZ, MYERS, MARKMAN,
KALINOSKI, SCHREIBER, BOWMAN, DiPLACIDO, FARREN,
GILLESPIE, HECKER, JONES, KLINE, LUKER**

**Township Manager LEFEVRE
Assistant Manager WEHMEYER
Township Tax Collector BLUMENTHAL
Township Solicitor CLARKE
Chief of Police KELLY
Finance Director BARRON
Township Engineer POWERS
Director of Code Enforcement MATTEO
Director of Parks & Recreation WENDELL
Director of Public Works MICCIOLO
Director of W.W.T.P. WRIGLEY
Fire Marshal CLARK**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESENTATIONS:

**Eagle Scout Eric Wacker
Call on Commissioner Gillespie**

**Greater Glenside Patriotic Association Recognition
Call on Commissioner Gillespie**

**Recent Graduating Class of New Abington Township Firefighters
Call on Fire Marshal Clark**

**Retiring Abington Fire Company Deputy Chief Charles "Chipper" Jones
Call on Commissioner Spiegelman**

**Lew's Seafood Celebrated 50 Years
Call on Commissioner Kalinoski**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Board of Commissioners Meeting of February 12, 2015.

Thomas Bowman, Director
Stephen Kalinoski, Asst. Director
John Spiegelman
Dennis Zappone
Tom Hecker

**ABINGTON TOWNSHIP
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(1) PUBLIC WORKS

PW1. 2015 HUD Program – East Avenue/Tennis Avenue/North Hills Avenue – Storm Sewer Projects

Motion to approve and enter into contract with N. Abbonizio Contractors, Inc. for the 2015 HUD Program East Avenue/Tennis Avenue/North Hills Avenue Storm Sewer Projects, in the amount of \$354,385.00; subject to HUD's full execution of the Authority to Use Grant Funds HUD form 7015.16. To be funded from HUD.

PW2. Resolution No. 15-016 – Execute a Maintenance and Contribution Agreement with PENN DOT for Ornamental Street Lighting and Decorative Crosswalks at Noble 611 Bridge

Motion to approve Resolution No. 15-016 authorizing the appropriate Township officials execute a maintenance and contribution agreement with PENN DOT for ornamental street lighting and decorative crosswalks as part of the Noble Bridge replacement project and to reserve \$115,000.00 from Fund Balance to cover the associated costs.

PW3. Re-allocation of Sewer Capital and Sewer Operations Budget Items

Motion to approve the re-allocation of remaining balances of these previously budgeted capital expense items, which have been completed, to fully fund the replacement of the existing Camel flush truck. The existing capital expense items total \$9,576.55.

PW4. Bid Award for 2015/2016 Consortium Sign Bid

Motion to accept the lowest responsible bids and enter into contracts with the following companies for the purchase of materials as shown:

Garden State Hwy. Prods.	Sign Posts Material Portion – <i>Items #4, #5, #6, #16, #18 thru #22, and #24..</i>
Protective Services, Inc. Chemung	<i>Items #1 thru #3, #8, #10 thru #13, #15, #17, #23 and #25. Items #7, #9, #17 and #26.</i>
Garden State Hwy. Prods.	Aluminum Blanks Material Portion – <i>Items #2 thru #9, #11 thru #17, #20 thru #34, #36 thru #38, #41, #46, #54 thru #57 and #59.</i>
U.S. Municipal Supply Lightle Enterprises Protective Services, Inc.	<i>Item #35. Items #1, #39, #40, #42 thru #45 and #47. Items #10, #18, #19, #48 thru #53 and #58.</i>
Garden State Hwy. Prods. U.S. Municipal Supply Protective Services, Inc.	Reflective Roll Goods – Type III Material – <i>Items #1, #8, #10, #11, #15, #19, #20 & #21. Items #4, #5, #12, #14, #16, #18 and #22. Items #2, #3, #6, #7, #9, #13 and #17.</i>
Garden State Hwy. Prods.	Reflective Sheeting and Sign Faces – Finished Signs – Type III Material – Complete
Garden State Hwy. Prods. Lightle Enterprises Protective Services, Inc.	Reflective Sheeting and Sign Faces – Type III Material – <i>Items #1 thru #22, #28 & #29. Items #24 thru #27. Item #23.</i>
Flint Trading Inc.	Hot Tape Pavement Markings – Complete.
Garden State Hwy. Prods. U.S. Municipal Supply Lightle Enterprises	Miscellaneous Items Portion – <i>Items #2, #3, #4, #9 and #11. Item #5. Items #1, #6 thru #8, #10, #12 thru #18.</i>

PW5. Edge Hill Road/Tyson Avenue – Flood Control/Street Reconstruction Project – Resolution No. 15-017 Right-of-Way Agreements

- a. Motion to approve South East Realty Transfer, LLC to perform the required title reports in the amount of \$29,860.00 for the Edge Hill Road/Tyson Avenue Flood Control/Street Reconstruction Project Right-of-Way acquisitions.
- b. Motion to approve Coyle, Lynch & Co. prepare the damage estimates and appraisal reports in the amount of \$239,800.00 for the Edge Hill Road/Tyson Avenue Flood Control/Street Reconstruction Project Right-of-Way acquisitions.

- c. Motion to approve Rudolph Clark, LLC to include all of the other remaining services, including the negotiations with property owners and preparation of all settlement packages, in the amount not to exceed \$500,000.00; for the Edge Hill Road/Tyson Avenue Flood Control/Street reconstruction Project Right-of-Way acquisitions.**
- d. Motion to approve Resolution No. 15-017 to add Rudolph Clarke, LLC for legal rights, South East Realty Transfer, LLC for title reports, and Coyle, Lynch & Co. for damage estimates and appraisal reports for services relating to the Edge Hill Road/Tyson Avenue Flood Control/Street Reconstruction Project reimbursement agreement No. 064132-C, Supplement "C" for Right-of-Way acquisitions.**

Benjamin Sanchez, Director
Michael Markman, Asst. Director
Jimmy DiPlacido
Peggy Myers
Carol Gillespie

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(2) CODE ENFORCEMENT AND LAND DEVELOPMENT

CE1. Subdivision SD-15-01 – James Sheridan – 1777 Kimball Avenue

Motion to approve the subdivision and land development application of James Sheridan, applicant for the property located at 1777 Kimball Avenue. The applicant seeks approval to subdivide the property into three lots. Lot No. 1 will contain the existing single-family dwelling and consist of 22,640 square feet with frontage on Kimball Avenue. Lots No. 2 and 3 are proposed for development and are plotted at 7,662 square feet each. Both Lots 2 and 3 have frontage on Smith Avenue. The properties are zoned in the (R-4) Residential District in Ward No. 8 of the Township of Abington.

This motion is subject to the following conditions:

1. The applicant is required to provide the Township with three (3) new executed, signed, notarized and recorded deeds. This is a requirement of the subdivision process.
2. The applicant is required to set eight (8) concrete monuments as directed by the Abington Township Engineering Office.
3. Any work proposed within the roadway will require a "Highway Permit" from the Township Engineer's Office.
4. An escrow fee of \$15,500 will be required for the storm sewer and roadway improvements which includes the inspection fees.
5. All sanitary sewer pipes placed within the public right-of-way are required to be ductile iron pipe. Plastic/PVC pipe is not acceptable within the public right-of-way.
6. The applicant will install at the direction of the Public Works Department a new street light on an existing utility pole on Smith Avenue.

This motion is subject to the following waivers:

- 1. Waiver from Section 146-11.A-Property Identification Plan**
- 2. Waiver from Section 146-11.B-Existing Features Plan**
- 3. Waiver from Section 146-11.C-Proposed Layout Plan**
- 4. Waiver from Section 146-11.L-Architectural Plan**
- 5. Waiver from Section 146-27-Installation of Sidewalks on Kimball Avenue**

CE2. Land Development LD-15-02 – Molly Court Associates, LLC – 720 Rhoads Avenue

Motion to approve the subdivision and land development application of Molly Court Associates, LLC, applicant and owner of the property located at 720 Rhoads Avenue. The applicants seek approval to demolish the existing structures on the site and subdivide the property into eight lots. A new road is proposed with access to Rhoads Avenue. The eight proposed lots will range in size from 15,098 square feet to 18,292 square feet. The applicant proposes to construct a new single-family dwelling on each of the lots. The properties are zoned within the (R-2) Residential District in Ward No. 3 of the Township of Abington.

This motion is subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The applicant is required to provide the Township with eight (8) new executed, signed, notarized and recorded deeds. This is a requirement of the subdivision process.**
- 2. The applicant is required to set eight (8) concrete monuments as directed by the Abington Township Engineering Office.**
- 3. Any work proposed within the roadway will require a “Highway Permit” from the Township Engineer’s Office.**
- 4. The items listed within the Staff Review letter dated February 2, 2015 become a condition of the application.**
- 5. The applicant has submitted an ACT 537 Exemption application for the seven (7) new EDU’s that will be required for this proposal.**
- 6. Sidewalks to be installed along the south side of Rhoads Avenue from Old Huntingdon Pike to Essex Road.**

This motion is subject to the following waivers:

- 1. Waiver from Section 146-11.A-Property Identification Plan**
- 2. Waiver from Section 146-11.B-Existing Features Plan**
- 3. Waiver from Section 146-11.F.b-Street Plan**
- 4. Waiver from Section 146-11.1-Phasing Plan**
- 5. Waiver from Section 146-11.J-Recreation Facilities Plan**
- 6. Waiver from Section 146-11.L-Architectural Plan**
- 7. Waiver from Section 146-27-Sidewalks on Molly Court**

CE3. Zoning Code Amendment – Temporary Sales – Ordinance No. 2093

Motion to advertise Ordinance No. 2093 - an amendment to the Township Zoning Code, Article VIII – “Supplemental District Regulations”, Section 801.N – “Display and Storage of Goods”.

Lori Schreiber, Director
Jimmy DiPlacido, Asst. Director
Stephen Kalinoski
Thomas Bowman
Thomas Farren, Sr.

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(3) PUBLIC SAFETY

- PS1. Ordinance No. 2088 – Repealing Article VI – “Removal and Impounding of Illegally Parked Vehicles” of Chapter 156 – “Vehicles and Traffic and Establishing and Enacting Chapter 160 – “Towing”**

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2088 Repealing Article VI – “Removal and Impounding of Illegally Parked Vehicles” of Chapter 156 – “Vehicles and Traffic” and Establishing and Enacting Chapter 160 “Towing”.

- PS2. Ordinance No. 2090 – Amending Chapter 156 “Vehicles and Traffic”, Article II – “Traffic Regulations” Section 7 – Speed Limits Established**

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2090 amending Chapter 156 “Vehicles and Traffic”, Article II – “Traffic Regulations” Section 7 Speed Limits Established reducing the speed limits on Rockwell Road from Old Welsh Road to Edge Hill Road from 35 miles per hour to 30 miles per hour.

- PS3. Ordinance No 2091 – Amending Chapter 156 –“Vehicles and Traffic,” 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 advertise Ordinance No. 2091 amending Chapter 156 (Vehicles and Traffic), 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) for adoption at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Commissioners on April 9, 2015.

PS4. Ordinance No. 2092 – Amending Chapter 155 – “Traffic Control,” Article I – “Automated Red Light Enforcement Systems,” Section 155-7 – “Duties of the Township of Abington”

Motion to advertise Ordinance No. 2092 amending Chapter 155 (Traffic Control), Article I “Automated Red Light Enforcement Systems,” Section 155-7- “Duties of the Township of Abington” allowing a \$35 cost of collection fee to be added to the \$100 Red Light Camera Fine when the fine is referred to a third party collection agency for adoption at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Commissioners on April 9, 2015.

PS5. DARE Program Grant

Motion to authorize Township officials to accept a grant from CAPT in the amount of \$15,000.00 for the DARE Program.

PS6. First Conditional Appointment – Probationary Police Officer

Motion to appoint candidate Nathan Walters from the certified 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. Appointment will be effective May 4, 2015.

PS7. Second Conditional Appointment – Probationary Police Officer

Motion to appoint candidate Kristian Shaw from the certified 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. Appointment will be effective May 4, 2015.

**John Spiegelman, Director
Thomas Farren, Sr., Asst. Director
Lori Schreiber
Benjamin Sanchez
Lawrence Jones, Jr.**

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(4) PUBLIC AFFAIRS

PA1. Resolution No. 15-013 – Designating the Township of Abington as a National Audubon Bird Town

Motion to approve Resolution No. 15-013 designating the Township of Abington as a National Audubon Bird Town.

PA2. Business Integrity Policy

Motion to adopt the Business Integrity Policy which establishes guidelines to ensure all business conducted by the Township observes the highest standards of honesty and integrity.

PA3. TD Bank Grant for Green Streets

Motion to approve the acceptance of the TD Green Streets Grant in the amount of \$20,000. No match is required but this is a reimbursement grant. Grant expenses will be paid for out of an account that will be set up at a later date by the Finance Department and then reimbursed at the end of the project after a final report has been submitted and approved.

PA4. Deer Hunt in Karebrook

Motion to approve controlled hunts in the Karebrook Nature Study Area by Abington Deer Management for the entire season from September 19, 2015 to January 23, 2016. Signs will be posted along the perimeter of the area noting that the area will be closed inclusively for the dates noted above.

PA5. Controlled Hunt in Alverthorpe Park

Motion to approve a one-day controlled hunt to take place in Alverthorpe Park during the 2015-2016 season.

PA6. Resolution No. 15-012 – Authorizing the Disposition of Certain Parks and Recreation Office Records

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 15-012, authorizing the disposition of certain Parks and Recreation Office records as set forth in Exhibit “A”.

PA7. Bid Award – Sandblasting of the Penbryn and Crestmont Pools

Motion to accept the lowest responsible bid of New Age Corporation in the amount of \$88,800.00 for the sandblasting and painting of both the Penbryn and Crestmont Pools. Funding for this project will come from 2014 Capital Account No. 07-24-800-7535. (Total budget for this project is \$95,000.00).

PA8. Star Community Rating System

DELETED

Steven Kline, Director
Tom Hecker, Asst. Director
Lawrence Jones, Jr.
Wayne Luker
Michael Markman

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(5) FINANCE COMMITTEE

FC1. Expenditures/Salaries and Wages

Motion to:

- (A) Approve the January expenditures as previously circulated to the Board, in the amount of \$1,949,491.96 and salaries and wages in the amount of \$2,226,455.50.**
- (B) Authorize the proper officials to sign vouchers in payment of bills and contracts as they mature through the month of April 2015.**

(Motion and Roll Call)

FC2. Training and Conference Expenses

Motion to approve the Advance and Travel Expense activity for January 2015 as previously circulated to the Board. Advance and Travel Expense reports were \$0.00 and (\$3,989.54) respectively.

One-month expenses totaled \$3,989.54.

FC3. 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 January as previously circulated to the Board.

January Petty Cash balances previously circulated to the Board.

Clearing fund receipts and disbursements for the month of January 2015 were \$620.06 and (\$2,872.70), respectively.

Deferred Revenue/Expense receipts and disbursements for the month of January 2015 were \$0.00 and (\$13,084.57) respectively.

FC4. Additional Distribution of In-Lieu Fire Taxes for 2014

Motion to authorize an additional expenditure from 2014 Miscellaneous Expense in the Permanent Improvement Fund (Account No. 07-00-000-5999) in the amount of \$3,050.00 to be distributed equally among the five volunteer fire companies serving Abington Township (\$610.00 each company).

FC5. Additional Expenditure from Unallocated Permanent Improvement Fund Balance

Motion to authorize an additional expenditure from Unallocated Permanent Improvement Fund Balance (Account No. 07-00-000-5999) in the amount of \$1,980.00 (2014 allotment) to be distributed equally (\$396.00 each) among the five volunteer fire companies serving Abington Township.

Tom Hecker, Director
Steven Kline, Asst. Director
Peggy Myers

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(6) PENSION COMMITTEE

**PENS1. Resolution No. 15-014 – Restatement of Abington Township's
Police Pension Plan Investment Policy**

**Motion to adopt Resolution No. 15-014, updating the Abington
Township Police Pension Plan Investment Policy as prepared by
Aon Investment Consulting.**

**PENS2. Resolution No. 15-015 – Restatement of Abington Township's
Non-Uniformed Employees' Pension Plan Investment Policy**

**Motion to adopt Resolution No. 15-015, updating the Abington
Township Non-Uniformed Employees' Pension Plan Investment
Policy as prepared by Aon Investment Consulting.**