

TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON

(3) PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

May 3, 2017

7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

**ROLL CALL: SCHREIBER – DiPLACIDO – BOWMAN – SPIEGELMAN,
KALINOSKI**

**Township Manager LEFEVRE
Assistant Township Manager WEHMEYER
Township Solicitor CLARKE
Fire Marshal CLARK
Chief of Police LIVINGOOD
Traffic Safety Officer FREED**

MINUTES:

**Motion to approve the minutes of the April 5, 2017 Public Safety
Committee Meeting.**

Police Department – Call on Chief Livingood

**PS1. Ordinance No. 2138 – To Amend 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; Parking Prohibited Except Certain
Hours; No Stopping Or Standing)**

**Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2138 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; Parking Prohibited Except Certain
Hours; No Stopping Or Standing) at the regularly scheduled
meeting of the Board of Commissioners on May 11, 2017 at 7:30
PM.**

PS2. First Conditional Promotion to the Rank of Lieutenant

Motion to promote Sergeant Christopher Porter to the rank of Probationary Lieutenant effective May 12, 2017 providing he successfully completes the remaining portions of the promotional process.

PS3. Second Conditional Promotion to the Rank of Lieutenant

Motion to promote Sergeant Steven Fink to the rank of Probationary Lieutenant effective May 12, 2017 providing he successfully completes the remaining portions of the promotional process.

PS4. Third Conditional Promotion to the Rank of Lieutenant

Motion to promote Sergeant Edward Quinn to the rank of Probationary Lieutenant effective May 12, 2017 providing he successfully completes the remaining portions of the promotional process.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
BOARD ACTION REQUEST

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May 3, 2017

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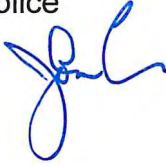
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Agenda Item

Township Manager

Police



Ordinance No. 2138
To Amend 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; Parking
Prohibited Except Certain Hours; No
Stopping Or Standing"



Previous Action

On April 13, 2017 at a regularly scheduled meeting, the Board of Commissioners approved a motion to advertise Ordinance No. 2138 for adoption on May 11, 2017.

Recommend Board Action

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2138 (attached) 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; Parking Prohibited Except Certain Hours; No Stopping Or Standing) at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Commissioners on May 11, 2017 at 7:30 p.m.

Comments

Ordinance No. 2138 (attached) will **establish** the following:

Stop Signs on Rodman Avenue eastbound and westbound at Upland Avenue

- Approved by Commissioner Sanchez (Ward 7) and the Administration

No Parking Here to Corner on the north side of Ray Street 60 feet east of Rena Street

- Approved by Commissioner DiPlacido (Ward 4)

No Parking Here to Corner on the west side of Tulpehocken Avenue 30 feet south of Township Line Road

- Approved by Commissioner DiPlacido (Ward 4)

No Parking Here to Corner on the north side of Woodrow Avenue 30 feet east of Garfield Avenue

- Approved by Commissioner Zappone (Ward 9)

**TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

ORDINANCE NO. 2138

**AN ORDINANCE 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”**

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 parking; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Abington has determined that Chapter 156 – “Vehicles and Traffic,” Article II – “Traffic Regulations,” Section 14 “Stop Intersections” and Article III – “Parking Regulations,” and 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” 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:

- 1. Chapter 156 – “Vehicles and Traffic,” Article II – “Traffic Regulations,” Section 14 – “Stop Intersections,” shall be amended to **add** the following restrictions:

Stop Sign On	Direction of Travel	At Intersection Of
Rodman Avenue	Eastbound and westbound	Upland Avenue

- 2. 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,” shall be amended to **add** the following restrictions:

Name of Highway	Side	Location
Ray Street	North	60 feet east of Rena Street
Tulpehocken Avenue	West	30 feet south of Township Line Road
Woodrow Avenue	North	30 feet east of Garfield Avenue

- 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.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED this _____ day of _____, 2017.

TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Attest:

Michael LeFevre, Secretary

By: _____
Wayne C. Luker, President

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

BOARD ACTION REQUEST

May 3, 2017

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Department

Police

Agenda Item

1st Conditional Promotion
to the Rank of Lieutenant

Township Manager



Previous Action

None

Recommended Board Action

Motion to promote Sergeant Christopher Porter to the rank of Probationary Lieutenant effective May 12, 2017 providing he successfully completes the remaining portions of the promotional process.

Comments

This is a budgeted position to fill the Patrol Platoon Commander vacancy created by the retirement of Lt. Thomas McNamara on February 28, 2016.

A Lieutenant's Promotional Exam was scheduled and conducted by the Civil Service Commission to fill this vacancy. The written test was administered on February 6, 2017 and the Oral Assessment Center on February 8, 2017.

A Civil Service Eligibility List for the Rank of Lieutenant was certified on April 17, 2017(attached). Sergeant Porter is ranked number one on the Eligibility List.

ABINGTON TOWNSHIP CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

Edward Nolan, Chairman
Philip Beal, Vice Chairman
Diane Misko, Secretary

CERTIFIED PROMOTIONAL LIST- LIEUTENANT

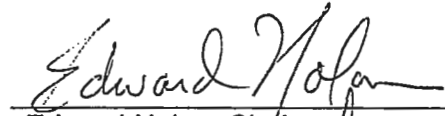
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2	Fink, Steven	83	33.20	80.48	40.24	8.04	3	84.48
3	Quinn, Edward	88	35.20	71.14	35.57	7.29	3	81.06
4	Magee, Kevin	87	34.80	67.56	33.78	7.54	2	78.12
5	Scott, Thomas	71	28.40	77.56	38.78	7.59	3	77.77
6	Williams, Shawn	85	34.00	65.06	32.53	7.37	3	76.90
7	Toledo, Oswaldo	84	33.60	67.62	33.81	7.34	2	76.75
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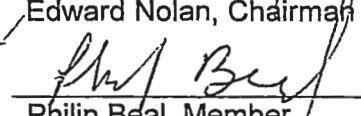
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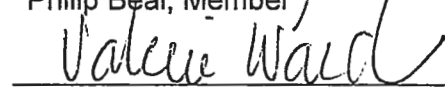
Dates of Oral Examination: February 8, 2017

Date Eligibility List Adopted: April 17, 2017

Date Eligibility List Expires: April 16, 2018


Edward Nolan, Chairman


Philip Beal, Member


Valerie Ward, Alternate

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

BOARD ACTION REQUEST

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PS 3

Agenda Item Number

Department

Police



Agenda Item

2nd Conditional Promotion
to the Rank of Lieutenant

Township Manager



Previous Action

None

Recommended Board Action

Motion to promote Sergeant Steven Fink to the rank of Probationary Lieutenant effective May 12, 2017 providing he successfully completes the remaining portions of the promotional process.

Comments

This is a budgeted position to fill the Detective Division Commander vacancy created by the Retirement of Chief William Kelly on January 31, 2017 and the appointment of Deputy Chief and Detective Division Commander John Livingood to Chief of Police on February 1, 2017.

A Lieutenant's Promotional Exam was scheduled and conducted by the Civil Service Commission to fill this vacancy. The written test was administered on February 6, 2017 and the Oral Assessment Center on February 8, 2017.

A Civil Service Eligibility List for the Rank of Lieutenant was certified on April 17, 2017(attached). Sergeant Fink is ranked number two on the Eligibility List.

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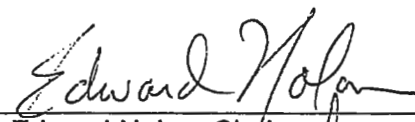
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5	Scott, Thomas	71	28.40	77.56	38.78	7.59	3	77.77
6	Williams, Shawn	85	34.00	65.06	32.53	7.37	3	76.90
7	Toledo, Oswaldo	84	33.60	67.62	33.81	7.34	2	76.75
8	Urban, Gregory	73	29.20	67.92	33.96	7.24	3	73.40

Date of Written Examination: February 6, 2017

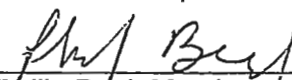
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Philip Beal, Member



Valerie Ward, Alternate

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

BOARD ACTION REQUEST

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PS 4

Agenda Item Number

Department

Police



Agenda Item

3rd Conditional Promotion
to the Rank of Lieutenant

Township Manager



Previous Action

None

Recommended Board Action

Motion to promote Sergeant Edward Quinn to the rank of Probationary Lieutenant effective May 12, 2017 providing he successfully completes the remaining portions of the promotional process.

Comments

This is a budgeted position to fill the Patrol Platoon Commander vacancy created by the retirement of Lt. Stephen Hochwind on September 5, 2016.

A Lieutenant's Promotional Exam was scheduled and conducted by the Civil Service Commission to fill this vacancy. The written test was administered on February 6, 2017 and the Oral Assessment Center on February 8, 2017.

A Civil Service Eligibility List for the Rank of Lieutenant was certified on April 17, 2017(attached). Sergeant Quinn is ranked number three on the Eligibility List.

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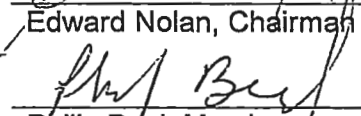
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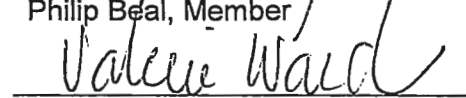
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Valerie Ward, Alternate

The stated meeting of the Public Safety Committee of the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Abington was held on Wednesday, April 5, 2017 at the Township Administration Building, Abington, PA., with Commissioner Schreiber presiding.

CALL TO ORDER: 7:53 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present: Commissioners SCHREIBER, DiPLACIDO, BOWMAN, SPIEGELMAN, KALINOSKI

Assistant Township Manager WEHMEYER
Township Solicitor CLARKE
Fire Marshal CLARK
Chief of Police LIVINGOOD
Traffic Safety Officer FREED

Also Present: Commissioners LUKER, KLINE, HECKER, FARREN, MYERS, SANCHEZ, MARKMAN, ZAPPONE, GILLESPIE

MINUTES: Commissioner Schreiber made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Spiegelman to approve the minutes of the Public Safety Committee Meeting of March 1, 2017.

MOTION was ADOPTED 5-0.

Police Department Report:

Chief Livingood reported that previously, we spoke about steps that have been taken in response to attacks and incidents occurring at cemeteries and religious institutions and he provided a report on an update on active shooter training, security assessments and training exercises. Over the last few years, a total of 84 trainings and/or assessments were completed and accomplished in addition to normal routine duties.

On January 20, 2017, a press release was posted about five men who were arrested and charged with a series of high-end burglaries in Abington as well as other jurisdictions. One of these burglaries occurred on August 28, 2015 at a residence on Jericho Road in Abington and one of the five men arrested has been identified as the “fence” of stolen property. The Police Task Force issued a series of search warrants including three of them on Jewelers Row in Philadelphia. Approximately 115,000 pieces of jewelry worth millions of dollars and a press release by Montgomery County District Attorney was previously distributed regarding this incident.

Commissioner Schreiber acknowledged Rich Garrett, Second Alarmers, who was present to answer any questions by the Board.

Ordinance No. 2137 – To Amend 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)

Commissioner Schreiber made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Kalinoski to adopt Ordinance No. 2137 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) at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Commissioners on April 13, 2017 at 7:30 PM.

Commissioner Schreiber asked for any comments from Commissioners or staff. There were none.

Commissioner Schreiber asked for public comments. There were none.

MOTION was ADOPTED 5-0.

Ordinance No. 2138 - To Amend 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; Parking Prohibited Except Certain Hours; No Stopping Or Standing)

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Commissioner Schreiber asked for any comments from Commissioners or staff. There were none.

Commissioner Schreiber asked for public comments. There were none.

MOTION was ADOPTED 5-0.

Commissioner Schreiber asked for any general comments relating to Public Safety.

Commissioner Zappone stated that the Second Alarmers are having their fundraising drive and he asked that all Township residents support this campaign. The fine men and women of our Second Alarmers are always there when we need them, and if everyone could participate, it would be a wonderful thing.

Lora Lehmann, 1431 Bryant Lane, expressed concern about “scam” telephone calls made to her home. Also, she asked for solicitors to wear permits while in the neighborhood.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael LeFevre, Township Manager

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