

EXECUTIVE SESSION – 6:30 p.m. – LEGAL ISSUES
MINUTES

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REGULAR MEETING
Board of Commissioners
Township of Haverford

Monday – 7:30 P.M.
May 11, 2009

1. Opening of Meeting – 7:30 P.M.

a. Roll Call – led by Lawrence J. Gentile, Township Manager

Eight Commissioners present at roll call – Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, D’Emilio and Wechsler. Commissioner Broido was absent.

Also present were: Lawrence J. Gentile, Township Manager, Kelly Sullivan, Esquire, Carl O’Fria, Township Auditor, Tim Denny, Assistant Township Manager, Chief Carmen Pettine – Haverford Police Department, David Pennoni and Chuck Faulkner – Pennoni Associates

b. Opening Prayer led by Reverend Frank Schaffer

c. Pledge of Allegiance led by Chief Carmen Pettine

THE BOARD MET IN EXECUTIVE SESSION PRIOR TO THE MEETING TO DISCUSS LEGAL MATTERS.

2. Proclamations: Patricia A. Sharp, Girl Scouts Gold Award received her Proclamation From Commissioner Oliva

Laura L. Maniscalco, Girl Scouts Gold Award received her Proclamation from Commissioner Trumbull

Chris Denny, Eagle Scout Award received his Proclamation from Commissioner Wechsler

Joseph Natale, American Troops Support Team received his Plaque From Commissioner Wechsler

**3. Citizen's Forum - 20 minutes Registered Speakers
20 minutes Agenda Items**

Mike Levin – 414 Mill Road – Superfund Site

No data had been presented at the last meeting regarding the Superfund Site.

Do not buy the Bubble Gum Factory.

Mr. Wechsler thanked Mr. Levin and the Township is looking at all different views.

Richard Houseworth – 129 Landover Road

Save Money and curtail spending.

How is starting a Canine division going to reduce taxes? Motorcycles cannot be driven in the snow.

How are these computers you all have in front of you saving us money?

Mr. Wechsler indicated that the computers were paid for from Grant money and there is Grant money available should the Township go ahead with Canine dogs.

Jim McGarrity – 401 Kenmore Road – Savor the Flavor at the Grange

On behalf of the Grange, the Grange will hold a Savor the Flavor Night on Thursday, May 28th from 6-8 p.m. Tickets are \$20.00 per ticket.

Roy Sandstrom – the Grange

The Grange received an award from County Council for Preservation of the Grange

Mr. Wechsler thanked everyone at the Grange and urged everyone to attend the Savor the Flavor at the Grange.

John Pili – Upland Road

The island which is being built in the 2nd Ward is not safe.

Why do we have two Assistant Township Managers?

Why no Finance Director?

Why no Public Works Director?

Mr. Gentile stated indicated that there is no obstruction for Fire trucks making the turn.

Gary Bogossian – 2410 Linden Drive

Mr. Bogossian is glad to see that the Commissioners have computers.

Recycling is very successful and they rarely have trash.

Leaf Collection – great idea to bag leaves

Think about changing trash pick up to one day per week

Speed Reduction - School Signs flash even when school is not in session – possible add a Sign – Only when school is in session

Continue to fight the Billboard issue and possibly impose a tax

Mr. Wechsler indicated that we will look at the School Zone Issue.

The Township has regained Counsel to represent us regarding the Billboard matter.

Ed Pratt – 22 Kathmere Road

Mr. Pratt stated this is an Anniversary of various Armed Forces

May 15th – US Flag should be half flown

May 25th – Memorial Day Ceremonies

Mr. Wechsler thanked Mr. Pratt for all the memorials.

OPEN FORUM

Mr. Houseworth – 129 Landover Road

What is the necessity of these computers?

Mr. Wechsler indicated that electronics are much more productive.

We have cut everywhere to save taxpayers money.

4. Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting of April 13, 2009

Motion made by Commissioner D’Emilio and seconded by Commissioner Trumbull to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of April 13, 2009.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, D’Emilio and Wechsler.

5. Approval of Warrants

Motion made by Commissioner Holmes and seconded by Commissioner Oliva to approve the Warrants listed below:

G.F. P/R Warrant No. 296	in the amount of	\$ 504,952.02
G.F. P/R Warrant No. 297	in the amount of	\$ 544,819.03
G.F. Bus. Warrant No.784	in the amount of	\$ 1,775,545.68
S.F. P/R Warrant No. 394	in the amount of	\$ 24,904.98
S.F. P/R Warrant No. 395	in the amount of	\$ 25,831.95
S.F. Bus. Warrant No. 785	in the amount of	\$ 132,830.32
CDBG Warrant No. 06-09	in the amount of	\$ 20,918.40

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, D’Emilio and Wechsler.

6. Ordinance No. P13-2009 Traffic (2nd Reading)

Motion made by Commissioner Holmes and seconded by Commissioner McGarrity to adopt the second reading of Ordinance No. P13-2009 by establishing traffic restrictions on the following highways:

**ESTABLISH HANDICAPPED SIGN at 2701 Pine Valley Lane.
ESTABLISH PARKING OF COMMERCIAL VEHICLES PROHIBITED on the East side of the 2000 and 2100 block of Winton Avenue.**

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, D’Emilio and Wechsler.

7. Ordinance No. P14-2009 Traffic (1st Reading)

Motion made by Commissioner Holmes and seconded by Commissioner McGarrity to adopt the first reading of Ordinance No. P14-2009 by establishing traffic restrictions on the highways:

NO Parking Anytime Zone on South Manoa Road at Stanley Avenue south 257 Feet on South Manoa Road

**ESTABLISH handicapped sign directly in front of 11 Oak Lane.
ESTABLISH handicapped sign directly in front of 144 Juniper Road.**

ESTABLISH “SPECIAL PERMIT PARKING – Sticker Parking Only” -On the 2000 block of Winton Avenue.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, D’Emilio and Wechsler.

8. Resolution No. 1712-2009 Application for County Aid

Motion made by Commissioner Trumbull and seconded by Commissioner Oliva to adopt Resolution No. 1712-2009 by making application to the County for an allocation of County Fuels Tax Funds.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, D’Emilio and Wechsler.

9. Resolution No. 1713-2009 Haverford Township Grantees and Administrators of Grant Money

Motion made by Commissioner Holmes and seconded by Commissioner Oliva to adopt Resolution No. 1713-2009 authorizing the Township Manager to enter into an Agreement with the Department of Transportation and to administer grant money to fund sobriety checkpoints and expanded DUI enforcement operations.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, D’Emilio and Wechsler.

10. Acceptance of Grant Money

Motion made by Commissioner Holmes and seconded by Commissioner Oliva to enter into an Agreement with the County of Delaware to accept the sum of \$15,468.00 from the 2009 Recovery Act: Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, D’Emilio and Wechsler.

11. Contract Awards and/or Purchases

2009 Road Resurfacing

Motion made by Commissioner Holmes and seconded by Commissioner Trumbull To award the 2009 Road Resurfacing Contract to JFC Contractors, Aston, PA, in the amount of \$255,901.50, submitting the lowest responsible bid.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, D'Emilio and Wechsler.

Drainage Improvements

Motion made by Commissioner Heilmann and seconded by Commissioner Oliva to award the Drainage Improvements Contract for repairs to Old Lancaster Road/Polo Field and Roosevelt and Garfield Avenues to N. Abbonizio of Conshohocken, PA, in the amount of \$443,535.00, submitting the lowest responsible bid.

Motion made by Commissioner Holmes and seconded by Commissioner McGarrity to TABLE the Drainage Improvements Contract for repairs to Old Lancaster Road/Polo Field and Roosevelt and Garfield Avenues to N. Abbonizio of Conshohocken, PA, in the amount of \$443,535.00, submitting the lowest responsible bid.

Voting Yes to TABLE: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, D'Emilio and Wechsler.

Computer Equipment

Motion made by Commissioner Siegel and seconded by Commissioner Oliva to purchase Mobile Data Terminals, under CoStar Contract, from CDW-G in the amount of \$24,238.53 and 5 Sierra Wireless 598 USB Data Connection Cards for 24 months Sprint.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Oliva, Trumbull, Siegel, Heilmann, Holmes, McGarrity, D'Emilio and Wechsler.

12. Continuation of Citizens Forum - Non-Agenda Items

Tim Rafter – Glen Arbor Road

Mr. Rafter would like an update on indoor recreation.

Mr. Wechsler indicated that we are moving forward

Gary Bogossian – School Signs and Trash

Mr. Bogossian congratulated the Board for working well together.

Mr. Bogossian brought to the Board's attention that on school holidays, the blinking lights are still blinking.

Mr. Bogossian would like trash to be one day per week and not two.

Mr. Wechsler thanked Mr. Bogossian and stated that the Township is looking at all areas of trash.

Elizabeth Hurtubise – 45 Brennan Drive

She is supporting the Township's position with the Billboard issue and the Township needs to support other municipalities.

Mr. Wechsler thanked Ms. Hurtubise for her comments.

Mike Levin – Billboard Issue and Leaf Collection

Mr. Levin would like for the Board to update the Code on Billboards

The Township cannot completely discontinue picking up leaves curbside.

Mr. Wechsler thanked Mr. Levin for his comments and indicated that the Township is working diligently on the Billboard issue and leaf collection.

Ed Pratt – Kathmere Road

Reminder to everyone - vote on Tuesday, May 19, 2009.
The Haverford Township Library is celebrating 75 years.

Mr. Wechsler thanked Mr. Pratt for his comments.

Mr. Houseworth –

There is nothing better than receiving a package from home while in the military. The American Red Cross is most helpful in getting in touch with service personnel.

Mr. Wechsler agreed with Mr. Houseworth that a receiving a package while serving in the military is terrific.

13. Other Business

Mario Oliva – 2nd Ward Commissioner

Relay for Life is scheduled June 5th & 6th

Remember to vote on the 19th.

Rob Trumbull – 3rd Ward Commissioner

Tonight is a record setting evening – Nothing to report.

Dan Siegel, Esquire – 4th Ward Commissioner

Mr. Siegel stated that the Township is taking a lot of great initiatives in computer technology.

Commissioner Siegel will hold a Constituent Meeting on May 13th at 7:30 p.m. in the Quatrani Building.

Support Freedom Playground

Mr. Siegel thanked the Tree Crew and Police Department for their help on Mother's Day when a tree came down.

Mr. Siegel indicated that he would not be at the June 8th Meeting – his son is graduating.

Jeff Heilmann – 5th Ward Commissioner

Mr. Heilmann thanked Jim Byrne for all his help with the Billboard issue.

Mr. Heilmann asked that everyone come out to Lynnewood School on June 4th for the continuance of the Billboard Hearing.

Steve D’Emilio – 1st Ward Commissioner

Mr. D’Emilio offered condolences to the family of Claire Haverdink.

Mr. D’Emilio thanked those that attended the Billboard Meetings and urged everyone to keep coming to the meetings.

Mr. D’Emilio stated his interest in a K9 Unit. He knows the capabilities of a Unit – drugs, traffic stops etc. Grant money is out there. These are warranted reasons to research this.

Larry Holmes – 6th Ward Commissioner

Mr. Holmes is having his Constituent Meeting on May 14th at Chestnutwold School.

Please go out and vote and attend Memorial Day Ceremonies.

The Township is doing what is right concerning Billboards.

James McGarrity – 7th Ward Commissioner

Annunciation B.V.M. will hold a mass on Thursday, May 14th in memory of fallen officers.

Memorial Day Ceremony will be held at Grasslyn Field on May 25th.

Mr. McGarrity acknowledged Terry Heenan and the tree crew for the great job they do.

This is the 9th Anniversary of Joe Durkin. Joe did a lot to help drug/alcohol users.

William F. Wechsler – 9th Ward Commissioner

Mr. Wechsler will hold his Constituent Meeting on May 28th.

Mr. Wechsler encouraged everyone to attend Savor the Flavor at the Grange.

Mr. Wechsler, too, asked everyone to come out and vote.

Meeting adjourned.

