

EXECUTIVE SESSION – 6:30 P.M. – Real Estate and Legal

MINUTES

REVISED – ITEM #23 and #2 State Citation to HTPD

**REGULAR MEETING
Board of Commissioners
Commissioners Meeting Room**

**September 12, 2016
Monday, 7:00 p.m.
Township of Haverford**

1. **Opening of Meeting** – Chris Connell, Sr., President, opened the meeting and indicated that the Board met in Executive Session prior to the meeting to discuss real estate and legal matters.

a. **Roll Call** – 8 Commissioners were present at roll call: Commissioners D’Emilio, McCloskey, Siegel, Lewis, Holmes, Wechsler, Oliva and Connell.

Commissioners McGarrity was absent.

Also present were: Lawrence J. Gentile, Township Manager, Gary Zlotnick, Esq., Township Auditor, James J. Byrne, Jr., Township Solicitor, Lori Hanlon-Widdop and Tim Denny, Assistant Township Managers, Chief John Viola, Aimee Cuthbertson, Finance Director and Dave Pennoni, Township Engineer

b. **Opening Prayer** – Rev. Mary Jane Kirby from Union Methodist Church

c. **Pledge of Allegiance**

2. **Presentation**: State Citation by State Representative Jamie Santora for the 100th Anniversary of Haverford Township Police Department

On behalf of the House of Representatives, State Representative Santora presented a State Citation to the Police Department and Police Committee.

3. Township Auditor Update

Township Auditor, Gary Zlotnick reviewed disbursements from August 9th through September 12th. He raised seven questions which were answered to his satisfaction. Mr. Zlotnick found no irregularities.

4. Citizens Forum – 20 Minutes Registered Speakers/20 Minutes Agenda Items

Chad Brooks – 400 Campbell Avenue – Upcoming Grange Events and Haverford Township Day

September 23rd from 6 to 9 – The Grange on Tap

September 24th – 7 – 11 p.m. – The Penfield Civic Association will host a Home Brew Hang

October 9th – Open House – Pumpkin Carving

The Grange will close October 30th to begin Christmas decorating.

December 8th – Annual Christmas Party

Haverford Township Day – Saturday, October 1st begins with annual 5K Run. This is a great community event.

Terri Lynn Alessi – 236 Washington Avenue – Finances

Mrs. Alessi raised concerns about tax increases to residents due to recent borrowings and the amounts which were borrowed.

Mike Levin – 414 Mill Road – Harvard Road Construction (see attachment)

END OF REGISTERED SPEAKERS

Commissioner Connell thanked everyone that spoke.

He reinforced to Mrs. Alessi that we will double check our numbers.

5. Approval of Minutes Regular Meeting Minutes of August 8, 2016

Motion made by Commissioner D’Emilio and seconded by Commissioner Oliva to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of August 8, 2016.

Roll Called.

All 8 Commissioners voted Yes: Commissioners D’Emilio, McCloskey, Siegel, Lewis, Holmes, Wechsler, Oliva and Connell.

6. Approval of Warrants

Motion made by Commissioner Holmes and seconded by Commissioner Wechsler to approve the following warrant #9-2016 totaling \$4,049,837.52

General & Sewer fund Payroll for August 11, 2016 in the amount of \$714,316.88

General & Sewer fund Payroll for August 25, 2016 in the amount of \$635,282.26

General Fund disbursements #9-2016 in the amount of \$1,505,441.73

Sewer Fund disbursements #9-2016 in the amount of \$464,036.04

**Community Development Block Grant Fund disbursement #9-2016
in the amount of \$45,330.38**

Home Grant Fund #9-2016 in the amount of \$4,895.75

Capital Projects Fund disbursement #9-2016 in the amount of \$669,682.06

Credit Card Statement ending August 27, 2016 in the amount of \$10,852.42

Roll Called.

All 8 Commissioners voted Yes: Commissioners D’Emilio, McCloskey, Siegel, Lewis, Holmes, Wechsler, Oliva and Connell.

RESCIND - Sticker Parking Only: Buck Lane, north side, from Railroad Avenue to Panmure Road

ESTABLISH – Parking of Vehicles Prohibited at All Times: Buck Lane, north side, from Railroad Avenue to Panmure Road

Roll Called.

All 8 Commissioners voted Yes: Commissioners D’Emilio, McCloskey, Siegel, Lewis, Holmes, Wechsler, Oliva and Connell.

10. Ordinance No. P18-2016 Acquisition of 328 Spring Road (2nd Reading)

Motion made by Commissioner Oliva and seconded by Commissioner D’Emilio to adopt the second reading of Ordinance No. P18-2016 AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF A PORTION OF PROPERTY AT 328 SPRING ROAD, HAVERTOWN, PA, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$252,000.00; SUBJECT TO REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE RELATED CONTRACTS BY THE TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR.

Commissioner Connell indicated that the wording a portion of needs to be deleted and should read acquisition of property located at 328 Spring Road.

Roll Called.

All 8 Commissioners voted Yes: Commissioners D’Emilio, McCloskey, Siegel, Lewis, Holmes, Wechsler, Oliva and Connell.

11. Ordinance No. P19-2016 Traffic (2nd Reading – Panmure)

Motion made by Commissioner Lewis and seconded by Commissioner Wechsler to adopt the second reading of Ordinance No. P19-2016 authorizing traffic restrictions on the following highways:

Sticker Parking Only:

On the West side of Panmure Road from Old Buck Road to Buck Lane (24/7)

Parking of All Vehicles Prohibited at All Times:

On the East side of Panmure Road from Old Buck Road to Buck Lane

Roll Called.

7 Commissioners voted Yes: Commissioners McCloskey, Siegel, Lewis, Holmes, Wechsler, Oliva and Connell.

Commissioner D’Emilio was absent from vote.

12. Ordinance No. P20-2016 Traffic (1st Reading)

Motion made by Commissioner Oliva and seconded by Commissioner Siegel to adopt the first reading of Ordinance No. P20-2016 authorizing traffic restrictions on the following highways:

MODIFICATION: Parking of All Vehicles Prohibited at All Times:

Llanerch Avenue West from Langhorne Avenue to Rodman Avenue

TO: The Parking of Trucks in excess of 8,000 pounds, trailers, semitrailers or other commercial vehicles is prohibited at any time upon any designated highway or parts thereof, except as provided in § 175-28A.

Special Purposes Parking Zones:

In front of 320 Glen Gary Drive, Havertown, PA

Establish:

Parking of All Vehicles Prohibited at All Times, to include the east side of Woodleigh Road from West Hillcrest to a point 60 feet north.

Roll Called.

All 8 Commissioners voted Yes: Commissioners D’Emilio, McCloskey, Siegel, Lewis, Holmes, Wechsler, Oliva and Connell.

13. Ordinance No. P21-2016 Chapter 30, Pensions and Employee Benefits (1st Reading)

Motion made by Commissioner Holmes and seconded by Commissioner Siegel to amend Chapter 30, Pensions and Employee Benefits to reflect changes regarding the police pension plan negotiated as part of the current collective bargaining agreement.

Roll Called.

All 8 Commissioners voted Yes: Commissioners D’Emilio, McCloskey, Siegel, Lewis, Holmes, Wechsler, Oliva and Connell.

14. Resolution No. 2025-2016 PaDot/Township Agreement – Electronic Access

Motion made by Commissioner Wechsler and seconded by Commissioner Siegel to adopt Resolution No. 2025-2016 authorizing the Township Manager to execute all documents which authorize electronic access to PaDot Systems. Agreement was approved by PaDot May 25, 2016.

Roll Called.

All 8 Commissioners voted Yes: Commissioners D’Emilio, McCloskey, Siegel, Lewis, Holmes, Wechsler, Oliva and Connell.

15. Resolution No. 2026-2016 Inter-municipal Liquor License Transfer

Motion made by Commissioner Holmes and seconded by Commissioner D’Emilio to adopt Resolution No. 2026-2016 APPROVING THE TRANSFER OF LIQUOR LICENSE NO. R-4834, INTO THE TOWNSHIP OF HAVERFORD.

Roll Called.

All 8 Commissioners voted Yes: Commissioners D’Emilio, McCloskey, Siegel, Lewis, Holmes, Wechsler, Oliva and Connell.

16. Resolution No. 2028-2016

Haverford Township Day Designee

Motion made by Commissioner Oliva and seconded by Commissioner Wechsler to adopt Resolution No. 2028-2016 designating Haverford Police Department's – Chief John Viola, to execute any and all documents with PaDot and be responsible for the safety and welfare of residents utilizing State Highways on Haverford Township Day, Saturday, October 1, 2016.

Roll Called.

All 8 Commissioners voted Yes: Commissioners D'Emilio, McCloskey, Siegel, Lewis, Holmes, Wechsler, Oliva and Connell.

17. 2016-2017 Salt Contract

Motion made by Commissioner Wechsler and seconded by Commissioner Oliva to award the 2016-2017 Salt Contract to Eastern Salt Company, Inc., in the amount of \$56.43 a ton/delivered, submitting the lowest responsible bid.

Roll Called.

All 8 Commissioners voted Yes: Commissioners D'Emilio, McCloskey, Siegel, Lewis, Holmes, Wechsler, Oliva and Connell.

18. 2016-2017 Solar Salt contract

Motion made by Commissioner Wechsler and seconded by Commissioner Oliva to award the 2016-2017 Solar Salt Contract to Chemical Equipment Labs of Delaware, Inc, in the amount of \$69.00 a ton; submitting the lowest responsible bid.

Roll Called.

All 8 Commissioners voted Yes: Commissioners D'Emilio, McCloskey, Siegel, Lewis, Holmes, Wechsler, Oliva and Connell.

19. Removal of Leaf Material – 2 year contract

Motion made by Commissioner D’Emilio and seconded by Commissioner Wechsler to award the Removal of Leaf Material Contract to American Biosoils & Compost, in the amount of \$17.50 a ton; submitting the lowest responsible bid.

Roll Called.

All 8 Commissioners voted Yes: Commissioners D’Emilio, McCloskey, Siegel, Lewis, Holmes, Wechsler, Oliva and Connell.

20. Appointment of Township’s Independent Auditor

Motion made by Commissioner Holmes and seconded by Commissioner Siegel to appoint the certified public accounting firm of Barbacane, Thornton & Company, LLP, as the Township’s independent auditor for a three-year term covering the fiscal years ending December 31, 2016, 2017 and 2018.

Roll Called.

All 8 Commissioners voted Yes: Commissioners D’Emilio, McCloskey, Siegel, Lewis, Holmes, Wechsler, Oliva and Connell.

21. Support letter from the Board of Commissioners accepting the HPED Recommendations

Motion made by Commissioner Oliva and seconded by Commissioner Lewis to authorize the Township Manager to approve payments from proposal presented to the Board of Commissioners on August 8, 2016.

Roll Called.

All 8 Commissioners voted Yes: Commissioners D’Emilio, McCloskey, Siegel, Lewis, Holmes, Wechsler, Oliva and Connell.

22. Comprehensive Plan

Motion made by Commissioner D’Emilio and seconded by Commissioner Oliva to direct the Township Manager to pursue a multi-municipal comprehensive plan utilizing the budgeted fund allocation.

Discussion began concerning the township going solo, partnering with one other township (Radnor has shown interest), and financial costs.

Ms. Widdop explained that awhile back, a Land Planner recommended to partner with at least one other municipality.

**Conclusion: Commissioner D’Emilio withdrew his motion.
This is off the table.**

23. Library

Motion made by Commissioner Wechsler and seconded by Commissioner Lewis to authorize the Township Manager the authority to execute an agreement with the HTFL to utilize the Township Buildings located at 2325 Darby Road during the period of the Library renovation of the Mill Road facility. The buildings to be made available for temporary administrative offices and temporary library services to the residents of the township.

Mr. Byrne recommended various motions. Final recommendation by Mr. Byrne the Board agreed to:

Motion: the Board of Commissioners agrees to rent township facilities to the Library; subject with an appropriate agreement being negotiated by the Township Manager and reviewed by the Township Solicitor.

Roll Called.

All 8 Commissioners voted Yes: Commissioners D’Emilio, McCloskey, Siegel, Lewis, Holmes, Wechsler, Oliva and Connell.

24. Continuation of Citizen's Forum for Non-Agenda Items

Arthur Matter – 545 Lawrence Road – Eagle & Lawrence Roads

Mr. Matters concerns included: Status of Eagle Road and traffic lights

He did thank the Board for the new trail. It is a great edition for walkers.

Mike Levin – 414 Mill Road – the curve on Earlington Road

25. New business

Commissioner Connell requested that another Commissioner – in addition to Commissioner McCloskey who has gladly accepted to work with HADA (Haverford Alliance for Drug Awareness) also be a representative. Commissioner Connell agreed to accept.

All Commissioners also agreed.

26. Other business

Steve D'Emilio – 1st Ward Commissioner

Commissioner D'Emilio will hold his constituent meeting at the Manoa Fire House on September 21st. The volunteers of Haverford Alliance for Drug Awareness will be present.

Kevin McCloskey, Esq. – 3rd Ward Commissioner

Commissioner McCloskey thanked everyone involved in coordinating the Music Festival. He thanked the Rotary Club and all the volunteers.

September 11th, St. Denis held a 9/11 Remembrance. This was a very nice solemn event.

HADA will be hosting a Hope Vigil on September 30th at 5:00 p.m. in front of the Middle School.

The Police Department will have bins for unused prescriptions at Haverford Township Day.

HADA will be present in the Gym at St. Denis on October 19th for Community Conversations.

Dan Siegel, Esq. – 4th Ward Commissioner

Commissioner Siegel reviewed Ordinance P14-2016 (the new recent bond) and it does state the maximum allowance to borrow is \$12,500,000. The estimated township household tax increase does come out to \$25.83 a household.

Commissioner Siegel will hold a joint constituent meeting with Commissioner McCloskey in October.

Commissioner Siegel wished those that observe the upcoming Jewish high holydays a sweet and happy New Year and an easy fast.

Andy Lewis – 5th Ward Commissioner

Commissioner Lewis read aloud a letter he received from PaDot regarding the upcoming College Avenue Bridge closing.

PaDot is scheduled to let the contract September 15th

October 31st – anticipated construction date

Detours – early November

Reopening – November 2017

Larry Holmes, Esq. – 6th Ward Commissioner

Commissioner Holmes also highlighted the upcoming Hope Vigil.

Opioid misuse – this is a real crisis. – No more deaths.

William F. Wechsler – 9th Ward Commissioner

Commissioner Wechsler stated that on September 6th there were 3 fatalities on Township Line/City Avenue.

A Summit will be held this Thursday with the Chief Viola and various public officials; including himself to discuss this major issue on this State highway.

Commissioner Wechsler will hold his constituent meeting, together with the Hilltop Civic Association, on September 22nd, 7:30 p.m. at the Bon Air Fire Company.

Mario A. Oliva – 2nd Ward Commissioner

Commissioner Oliva also announced the Hope Vigil at 5:00 p.m.

He asked that everyone come out for Haverford Township Day, October 1st.

Chris Connell, Sr. – 8th Ward Commissioner

Commissioner Connell thanked Mr. Gentile and his entire staff for their hard work.

Commissioner Connell stated that September is 1st Responders Month and asked that there are 365 reasons to fly your flag.

27. All Commissioners agreed to adjourn.

