Haverford Township - Board of Commissioners

Meeting: Monday, June 08, 2026

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Commissioners' Meeting Room - 1014 Darby Rd., Havertown PA, 19083

Regular Meeting Minutes

1. Opening of Meeting

Commissioner Trombetta opened the meeting by announcing that the Board met in an executive session prior to the meeting to discuss a personnel matter.

A. Roll Call

8 Commissioners were present at the meeting: Commissioners Gondek, Forste-Grupp, Holmes, Quinn, Hart, McCollum, McCloskey, and Trombetta. Commissioner Cavender was absent.

Also present were Township Manager David R. Burman, Assistant Township Manager Aimee Cuthbertson, CPA, Kaile Melchoir, Esq., Chief of Police John Viola, Deputy Chief of Police Thomas J. Long, Director of Community Development Jaime Jilozian, and EMS Chief Jim McCans.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Chief Viola led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Proclamations

A. National Teacher of the Year Leon Smith

Commissioner Holmes read the proclamation honoring National Teacher of the Year Leon Smith.

B. Pride Month

Commissioner Forste-Grupp read the proclamation recognizing June as Pride Month.

C. Juneteenth

Commissioner Quinn read the proclamation recognizing June 19th as Juneteenth.

3. Citizens' Forum: 20 Minutes for Registered Speakers, 20 Minutes for Agenda Items

Maryanne Olson, Haverford Township Free Library, spoke about upcoming library events.

Thomas Booker spoke about parking on Washington Avenue.

Melissa Raffel, Ward 7, spoke about the Brookline Park Project.

Phyllis Kilian, Ward 3, spoke about the C-3 Zoning Use.

Todd Hall, Ward 2, spoke about the importance of family.

John Williams, Ward 5, thanked the Board for their traffic calming measures in the fifth ward.

Brian Littlewood, Woodmere Way, spoke about parking on Woodmere Way.

Pat McLoon, Sagamore Road, spoke about Brookline Park Project.

Kristen Wise, Sagamore Road, spoke about the Brookline Park Project.

Paul Blair, Woodmere Way, spoke about parking on Woodmere Way.

Jay Graytak, Woodmere Way, spoke about parking on Woodmere Way.

Mike Sweeney, Ward 3, asked questions about the CDBG program and discussed an upcoming development.

Henry Viniscalko spoke about the fuel tank replacement project.

Zurich, Woodmere Way, spoke about parking on Woodmere Way.

Janet Hutchinson, Woodmere Way, spoke about parking on Woodmere Way.

Commissioner Hart spoke about the Brookline Park Project. Commissioner McCloskey, Commissioner Forste-Grupp, Commissioner Quinn, Commissioner Gondek, and Commissioner Holmes addressed some of the concerns raised.

4. Civil Service Commission

A. Presentation – Bernard McCabe, Chair

B. Commissioner Quinn moved to void the current entry level eligibility test on 6/9/2026 under Section 32-40F, Police Department Civil Service Rules and Regulations. Commissioner Hart seconded the motion. All present Commissioners voted YES: Commissioners Gondek, Forste-Grupp, Holmes, Quinn, Hart, McCollum, McCloskey, and Trombetta.

5. Bureau of Fire Update

Commissioner Gondek announced that in May, Haverford Township's fire companies responded to 99 total incidents, including 73 within the township and 26 out-of-township mutual aid. The average personnel per call was 17. There were 949 personnel hours committed to incidents and 438 personnel hours committed to training. The Township provided mutual aid to 10 working fires in Delaware County and 1 working fire in Montgomery County. In regard to EMS services, there were a total of 470 dispatches resulting in 405 patient care reports.

6. Township Auditor Update

Township Auditor Anderson was absent for the meeting. Assistant Township Manager Cuthbertson reported that, prior to the meeting, he reviewed the warrants and expenditures, found no irregularities, and all his questions were answered to his satisfaction.

7. Township Manager Update

Township Manager Burman highlighted the upcoming curbside compost collection program and answered various frequently asked questions.

8. Approval of Warrants

Commissioner Holmes moved to approve the following warrant #06-2026 totaling $5,279,264.84:

General & Sewer Fund Payroll for May 21, 2026, in the amount of $1,240,461.96

General & Sewer Fund Payroll for June 4, 2026, in the amount of $943,610.40

General Fund disbursements in the amount of $1,673,739.16

Sewer Fund disbursements in the amount of $864,807.14

Community Development Block Grant disbursement in the amount of $50,378.35

Capital Projects Fund disbursements in the amount of $461,037.32

American Rescue Plan Fund disbursements in the amount of $31,185.00

Credit Card Statement ending May 27, 2026, in the amount of $14,045.51

Commissioner McCloskey seconded the motion. All present Commissioners voted YES: Commissioners Gondek, Forste-Grupp, Holmes, Quinn, Hart, McCollum, McCloskey, and Trombetta.

9. Consent Agenda

a. Approval of Minutes of May 11, 2026

b. Contract Award – Public Works – 2026 Road Program

c. Contract Award – Public Works – Fuel Purchase Award

Commissioner Quinn moved to approve items a-c of the consent agenda, as further detailed in the public packet. Commissioner McCollum seconded the motion. All present Commissioners voted YES: Commissioners Gondek, Forste-Grupp, Holmes, Quinn, Hart, McCollum, McCloskey, and Trombetta.

10. Appointments

A. Zoning Hearing Board – 1 Vacancy

Commissioner Gondek moved to table the appointment to the Zoning Hearing Board for the term ending December 31, 2030. Commissioner Quinn seconded the motion. All present Commissioners voted YES: Commissioners Gondek, Forste-Grupp, Holmes, Quinn, Hart, McCollum, McCloskey, and Trombetta.

11. Ordinances:

A. Ordinance No. P6-2026 – Traffic – 2nd Reading

Commissioner Quinn moved to adopt the second reading of Ordinance No. P6-2026, further amending and supplementing Ordinance No. 1960, adopted June 30, 1986, and known as “General Laws of the Township of Haverford” Chapter 175, Vehicles and Traffic, prohibiting parking during school hours on a portion of Woodmere Way. Commissioner Hart seconded the motion. All present Commissioners voted YES: Commissioners Gondek, Forste-Grupp, Holmes, Quinn, Hart, McCollum, McCloskey, and Trombetta.

B. Ordinance No. P8-2026 – Traffic – 2nd Reading

Commissioner Hart moved to adopt the second reading of Ordinance No. P8-2026, further amending and supplementing Ordinance No. 1960, adopted June 30, 1986, and known as “General Laws of the Township of Haverford” Chapter 175, Vehicles and Traffic, removing

the special purpose parking zone at 169 Juniper Road. Commissioner Quinn seconded the motion. All present Commissioners voted YES: Commissioners Gondek, Forste-Grupp, Holmes, Quinn, Hart, McCollum, McCloskey, and Trombetta.

C. Ordinance No. P9-2026 – Traffic – 2nd Reading

Commissioner McCollum moved to adopt the second reading of Ordinance No. P9-2026, further amending and supplementing Ordinance No. 1960, adopted June 30, 1986, and known as "General Laws of the Township of Haverford" Chapter 175, Vehicles and Traffic, installing a stop sign on Leedom Road, eastbound, at the intersection of Belfield Road. Commissioner Hart seconded the motion. All present Commissioners voted YES: Commissioners Gondek, Forste-Grupp, Holmes, Quinn, Hart, McCollum, McCloskey, and Trombetta.

D. Ordinance No. P10-2026 – Lease Amendment – 2nd Reading

Commissioner McCloskey moved to adopt the second reading of Ordinance No. P10-2026, further amending and supplementing Ordinance No. 1960, adopted June 30, 1986, and known as "General Laws of the Township of Haverford" amending the Lease Agreement with UniSite/Omnipoint PA Tower Venture, LLC for property located at 2080 Old West Chester Pike. Commissioner Holmes seconded the motion. All present Commissioners voted YES: Commissioners Gondek, Forste-Grupp, Holmes, Quinn, Hart, McCollum, McCloskey, and Trombetta.

E. Ordinance No. P11-2026 – Traffic – 1st Reading

Commissioner Forste-Grupp moved to adopt the first reading of Ordinance No. P11-2026, further amending and supplementing Ordinance No. 1960, adopted June 30, 1986, and known as "General Laws of the Township of Haverford" Chapter 175, Vehicles and Traffic, installing special purpose parking zone at 4 W. Mercer Avenue. Commissioner McCloskey seconded the motion. All present Commissioners voted YES: Commissioners Gondek, Forste-Grupp, Holmes, Quinn, Hart, McCollum, McCloskey, and Trombetta.

F. Ordinance No. P12-2026 – Traffic – 1st Reading

Commissioner McCloskey moved to adopt the first reading of Ordinance No. P12-2026, further amending and supplementing Ordinance No. 1960, adopted June 30, 1986, and known as "General Laws of the Township of Haverford" Chapter 175, Vehicles and Traffic, removing the special purpose parking zone at 727 Humphrey's Road. Commissioner Gondek seconded the motion. All present Commissioners voted YES: Commissioners Gondek, Forste-Grupp, Holmes, Quinn, Hart, McCollum, McCloskey, and Trombetta.

G. Ordinance No. P13-2026 – Traffic – 1st Reading

Commissioner Holmes moved to adopt the first reading of Ordinance No. P13-2026, further amending and supplementing Ordinance No. 1960, adopted June 30, 1986, and known as "General Laws of the Township of Haverford" Chapter 175, Vehicles and Traffic, installing a special purpose parking zone at 2220 Bryn Mawr Avenue. Commissioner McCloskey seconded the motion. All present Commissioners voted YES: Commissioners Gondek, Forste-Grupp, Holmes, Quinn, Hart, McCollum, McCloskey, and Trombetta.

12. Resolutions:

A. Resolution No. 2484-2026 – SALDO for 1039 Sproul Road

Commissioner Hart moved to approve Resolution No. 2484-2026, approving the Preliminary/Final Subdivision and Land Development Plan for Sproul Road Development Partners, LLC. for a four-lot Subdivision and Land Development, including constructing a new single-family dwelling and driveway for each lot at 1039 Sproul Road, Haverford. Commissioner Holmes seconded the motion. 7 Commissioners voted YES: Commissioners Gondek, Forste-Grupp, Holmes, Hart, McCollum, McCloskey, and Trombetta. Commissioner Quinn voted NO. The motion passed 7-1.

B. Resolution No. 2485-2026 – CDBG Action Plan for Year 52

Commissioner McCloskey moved to approve Resolution No. 2485-2026, adopting the Year 52 Community Development Block Grant Action Plan. Commissioner Quinn seconded the motion. All present Commissioners voted YES: Commissioners Gondek, Forste-Grupp, Holmes, Quinn, Hart, McCollum, McCloskey, and Trombetta.

C. Resolution No. 2486-2026 – Settlement Agreement

Commissioner McCloskey moved to approve Resolution No. 2486-2026, authorizing the Township Manager to execute a Small Dollar Settlement Agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Commissioner Gondek seconded the motion. All present Commissioners voted YES: Commissioners Gondek, Forste-Grupp, Holmes, Quinn, Hart, McCollum, McCloskey, and Trombetta.

D. Resolution No. 2487-2026 – Land Development for 83 S. Eagle Road

Commissioner McCloskey moved to approve Resolution No. 2487-2026, approving the Preliminary/Final Land Development Plan for OD Investments, LLC. for a Land Development at 83 S. Eagle Road, Havertown. Commissioner Quinn seconded the motion. All present Commissioners voted YES: Commissioners Gondek, Forste-Grupp, Holmes, Quinn, Hart, McCollum, McCloskey, and Trombetta.

13. Contract Awards

A. Parks & Recreation – Brookline Park Parking Improvements

Commissioner Hart moved to award a contract in the amount of $199,310 to Ernel Company, Inc., the lowest responsible bidder, for the Brookline Park Phase 4 Parking Improvement Project. Commissioner Quinn seconded the motion. All present Commissioners voted YES: Commissioners Gondek, Forste-Grupp, Holmes, Quinn, Hart, McCollum, McCloskey, and Trombetta.

B. Public Works – Fuel Tank Replacement Project

Commissioner McCollum moved to award a contract in the amount of $1,033,443.00 to TTI Environmental, Inc., the lowest responsible bidder, for the Public Works Fuel Tank Replacement Project. Commissioner Hart seconded the motion. All present Commissioners voted YES: Commissioners Gondek, Forste-Grupp, Holmes, Quinn, Hart, McCollum, McCloskey, and Trombetta.

14. Continuation of Citizens' Forum for Non-Agenda Items

Michelle Alvare, Hastings Avenue, thanked the Board for approving the Brookline Park Phase 4 project.

Mike Sweeney, Ward 3, spoke about the zoning ordinance update.

Victor Barsky, Bambi Lane, spoke about opportunities for senior citizens to socialize.

Dory Doughty, Ward 6, spoke about the zoning ordinance update.

Kristen Wise, Sagamore Road, spoke about traffic safety.

Commissioner Holmes, Commissioner McCloskey, and Commissioner Forste-Grupp addressed some of the comments made.

15. New Business

There was no new business.

16. Other Business

Commissioner Gondek thanked the Township for a wonderful Memorial Day celebration. He also congratulated all graduates.

Commissioner Forste-Grupp announced a joint Town Hall for Wards 2, 7, and 8.

Commissioner Holmes announced the zoning amendment public meeting for Wards 5 and 6, but mentioned that any resident is welcome to attend.

Commissioner Quinn also discussed the Town Hall. He also reminded residents to be aware of pedestrians now that school is dismissed for the summer.

Commissioner Hart discussed the Brookline Park ribbon cutting and the Town Hall.

Commissioner McCollum congratulated recent graduates.

Commissioner McCloskey discussed the St. Denis Fair.

Commissioner Trombetta discussed the excitement of celebrating the 4th of July during America's 250th celebration and highlighted the importance of attending local celebrations.

17. Adjourn.