

EXECUTIVE SESSION: 5:30 p.m. – Historical & Planning Commission
Interviews

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING
Board of Commissioners
Commissioners Meeting Room

July 8, 2019
Monday, 7:00 p.m.
Township of Haverford

1. **Opening of Meeting** – Andy Lewis, President, opened the meeting and indicated that the Board met in Executive Session prior to the meeting for the purpose of interviewing volunteers to serve on two commissions.
 - a. **Roll Call** – All 9 Commissioners were present at roll call: Commissioners D’Emilio, Oliva, McCloskey, Siegel, McGarrity, Hart, Wechsler, Holmes and Lewis.

Also present were: David R. Burman, Township Manager/Secretary, Ross Anderson, CPA, Township Auditor, James J. Byrne, Jr., Esquire, Township Solicitor, Tim Denny and Aimee Cuthbertson, CPA, Assistant Township Managers, Chief John Viola, Dan Mariani, Public Works Director, Joe Celia, Codes Director, Kelly Kirk, Zoning Officer and Chuck Faulkner, Pennoni Associates

- b. **Pledge of Allegiance**

2. **Appointments**

Public Works Department

Motion made by Commissioner McGarrity and seconded by Commissioner Wechsler to appoint Daniel Mariani, Acting Public Works Director to the position of Public Works Director.

Roll Called.

All 9 Commissioners votes yes: Commissioners D’Emilio, Oliva, McCloskey, Siegel, McGarrity, Hart, Wechsler, Holmes and Lewis.

3. Township Auditor Update

Mr. Anderson reviewed the expenditures and disbursements – he raised questions and the answers were to his satisfaction.

4. Police Department – Crime Update

Chief John Viola reported the months' incidents.

5. Commissioners' Committee Updates

Commissioner Siegel stated that the Property Committee met on June 25th to discuss the reuse of the Brookline School property.

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

No one signed up for Registered Speakers.

Agenda Items

Jessica Frankel – 44 E. Turnbull Avenue

Ms. Frankel is in support of reporting a lost firearm.

7. Boards and Commissions - Updates

Jason Conway, Chair and Kathy Dawson, Vice Chair – Human Relations Commission, introduced themselves and look forward to working with everyone and continue to make progress.

8. Approval of Minutes

Regular Meeting Minutes of June 10, 2019

Motion made by Commissioner D'Emilio and seconded by Commissioner Oliva to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of June 10, 2019.

Roll Called. All Aye votes.

Commissioners D’Emilio, Oliva, McCloskey, Siegel, McGarrity, Hart, Wechsler, Holmes and Lewis.

9. Approval of Warrants

Motion made by Commissioner Holmes and seconded by Commissioner Wechsler to approve the following warrant #7-2019 totaling \$4,346,021.56

General & Sewer fund Payroll for June 13, 2019 in the amount of \$980,240.82

General & Sewer fund Payroll for June 27, 2019 in the amount of \$642,471.16

General Fund disbursements #7-2019 in the amount of \$1,508,270.11

Sewer Fund disbursements #7-2019 in the amount of \$41,475.31

Community Development Block Grant Fund disbursement #7-2019 in the amount of \$70,137.87

Capital Projects Fund disbursement #7-2019 in the amount of \$1,092,692.25

Credit Card Statement ending June 27, 2019 in the amount of \$10,734.04

Roll Called. All Aye votes.

Commissioners D’Emilio, Oliva, McCloskey, Siegel, McGarrity, Hart, Wechsler, Holmes and Lewis.

10. Ordinance No. P11-2019 Traffic – Electric Charging Stations -§ 175-32. Parking on public property (2nd Reading)

Motion made by Commissioner Siegel and seconded by Commissioner Holmes to adopt the second reading of Ordinance No. P11-2019 amending CHAPTER 175, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, Parking on Public Property, by establishing protocol for Electric Charging Stations.

Roll Called. All Aye votes.

Commissioners D’Emilio, Oliva, McCloskey, Siegel, McGarrity, Hart, Wechsler, Holmes and Lewis.

11. Ordinance No. P12-2019 Amending Chapter 83 – Firearms, Fireworks & Other Weapons (2nd Reading)

Motion made by Commissioner Siegel and seconded by Commissioner Oliva to adopt the second reading of Ordinance No. P12-2019 AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE “GENERAL LAWS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HAVERFORD”, CHAPTER 83 (FIREARMS, FIREWORKS AND OTHER WEAPONS), SECTION 83-1 (DISCHARGE PROHIBITED; EXCEPTIONS) BY MODIFYING THE PROVISION TO REQUIRE REPORTING OF LOST OR STOLEN FIREARMS.

Roll Called.

Commissioners D’Emilio, Oliva, McCloskey, Siegel, McGarrity, Hart, Wechsler, Holmes and Lewis.

12. Ordinance No. P14-2019 Traffic (1st Reading)

Motion made by Commissioner Holmes and seconded by Commissioner Oliva to adopt the first reading of Ordinance No. P14-2019 establishing traffic restrictions on the following highways:

Special Purpose Parking

In front of 727 Humphrey’s Street, Ardmore, PA.

Roll Called.

Commissioners D’Emilio, Oliva, McCloskey, Siegel, McGarrity, Hart, Wechsler, Holmes and Lewis.

13. Resolution No. 2143-2019 Township Investment Policy

Motion made by Commissioner Holmes and seconded by Commissioner Wechsler to adopt Resolution No. 2143-2019 establishing a formalized Township Investment Policy to provide structure and strategy regarding the management of non-pension funds of Haverford Township.

Roll Called.

Commissioners D’Emilio, Oliva, McCloskey, Siegel, McGarrity, Hart, Wechsler, Holmes and Lewis.

14. Resolution No. 2144-2019 Traffic Calming Measures

Motion made by Commissioner McCloskey and seconded by Commissioner McGarrity to adopt Resolution No. 2144-2019 authorizing the installation of temporary traffic calming systems on Township-Owned roadways during PennDOT’s replacement of the Ardmore Avenue Bridges in Haverford Township.

Roll Called.

Commissioners D’Emilio, Oliva, McCloskey, Siegel, McGarrity, Hart, Wechsler, Holmes and Lewis.

Motion made by Commissioner McCloskey and seconded by Commissioner Siegel authorizing staff to spend up to \$20,000 on temporary traffic mitigation measures in and around the area affected by the Ardmore Avenue bridge closure.

Roll Called.

Commissioners D’Emilio, Oliva, McCloskey, Siegel, McGarrity, Hart, Wechsler, Holmes and Lewis.

15. Resolution No. 2145-2019 Multimodal Grant Application – Ardmore Avenue/Haverford Road Pedestrian Improvements

Motion made by Commissioner McCloskey and seconded by Commissioner D’Emilio to adopt Resolution No. 2145-2019 that the Board of Commissioners does hereby designate David R. Burman (Township Manager) as the official to execute all documents and agreements between the Township and the Commonwealth Financing Authority to facilitate and assist in obtaining a Multimodal Transportation Fund Program (MTF) Grant in the amount of \$725,000 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority to be used for the various improvements to enhance pedestrian safety and facilitate access to the Ardmore Avenue Station of the Norristown High Speed Line.

Roll Called.

Commissioners D’Emilio, Oliva, McCloskey, Siegel, McGarrity, Hart, Wechsler, Holmes and Lewis.

16. Agreement – Comprehensive Plan Consultant

Motion made by Commissioner D’Emilio and seconded by Commissioner Oliva to authorize the Township Manager, upon Township Solicitor review, to enter into a Professional Service Agreement with Urban Research & Development Corporation for the purpose of providing an implementable, action-oriented 10-Year Municipal Comprehensive Plan.

Roll Called.

Commissioners D’Emilio, Oliva, McCloskey, Siegel, McGarrity, Hart, Wechsler, Holmes and Lewis.

17. Purchases

Skatium

Motion made by Commissioner Wechsler and seconded by Commissioner Hart to approve the purchase of 7,000 sq ft of rubberized flooring (10% color fleck) with 4ft by 10ft Skatium logo design to Sports Floors Direct, Inc of Laguna Hills, CA, in the amount of \$15,420.47; submitting the lowest responsible quote.

Roll Called.

Commissioners D’Emilio, Oliva, McCloskey, Siegel, McGarrity, Hart, Wechsler, Holmes and Lewis.

Parks & Recreation

Motion made by Commissioner Hart and seconded by Commissioner McGarrity to authorize the purchase of playground equipment for Chatham Glen Park, under Co-Stars 14, in the amount of \$41,305.00, from Recreation Resources, USA, Kenneth Square; submitting the lowest responsible quote.

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Roll Called.

Commissioners D’Emilio, Oliva, McCloskey, Siegel, McGarrity, Hart, Wechsler, Holmes and Lewis.

18. Contract Awards

Parks & Recreation

Hilltop Field Parking Lot Improvements

Motion made by Commissioner Wechsler and seconded by Commissioner Hart to award the Hilltop Field Parking Lot Improvements Contract - recontouring, repaving and striping of both the existing paved lot and the adjacent stone lot, to Gessler Construction Company, Media, PA, in the amount of \$91,500.00, submitting the lowest responsible bid.

Roll Called.

Commissioners D’Emilio, Oliva, McCloskey, Siegel, McGarrity, Hart, Wechsler, Holmes and Lewis.

Public Works

Motion made by Commissioner McGarrity and seconded by Commissioner Hart to approve the proposal for the painting of 100 street light poles to Rafferty Painting and Powerwashing, Inc of Lansdowne, PA, in the amount of \$198.00 per pole or \$19,800; submitting the lowest responsible quote

Roll Called.

8 Commissioners voted yes Commissioners D’Emilio, Oliva, McCloskey, Siegel, McGarrity, Hart, Wechsler and Lewis.

Commissioner Holmes abstained.

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

No one spoke.

20. New business

Commissioner D'Emilio indicated that both he and Commissioner Lewis having been discussing the possibility of introducing an ordinance banning plastic bags for one year; in addition, straws.

After discussion. Commissioner Siegel will review Narberth's ordinance and report back to the board.

21. Other business

Steve D'Emilio – 1st Ward Commissioner

Commissioner D'Emilio congratulated Dan Mariani on his promotion.

Commissioner D'Emilio offered condolences to the Pennoni family.

He announced that a young man that lived up the street from him succumbed due to his addiction. He offered his time to HADA and Kelly Music for Life. Family would like donations sent to Kelly Music for Life.

A new trail opened in West Gate Park. Commissioner D'Emilio thanked all the volunteers. It was a great opening.

Commissioner D'Emilio asked for an updated on the Glendale Road/Walnut Hill Lane modifications.

Mario A. Oliva – 2nd Ward Commissioner

Commissioner Oliva also congratulated Dan Mariani.

Kevin McCloskey, Esquire – 3rd Ward Commissioner

Commissioner McCloskey announced that the Ardmore Avenue Bridge is closing next week. This needs to be done. We will keep everyone as safe as possible. Extra patrol vehicles will be in the area.

Commissioner McCloskey thanked all the volunteers that help out with all July 4th festivities at the various locations in the 3rd Ward.

The final Trail Run Series will be held on July 31st at 7:00 p.m.

Dan Siegel, Esquire – 4th Ward Commissioner

Commissioner Siegel thanked the Paddock Farms Civic Association volunteers for the July 4th festivities. They are in need of volunteers.

Paddock Farms Civic Association will be at Nolan Painting on July 14th seeking volunteers.

Commissioner Siegel stated that there was some fireworks damage in the Paddock area. Please, in the future, call 911.

Jim McGarrity – 7th Ward Commissioner

Commissioner McGarrity announced that some of our employees have 30 – 40 years working in Haverford Township. We have wonderful supervisors.

Gerry Hart, M.D. – 8th Ward Commissioner

Commissioner Hart thanked the Penfield Civic Association and the Brookline Fire Company for all their help with the July 4th festivities at the Grange.

Commissioner Hart thanked Kaitlyn Piazzini for her help with the new playground equipment at Chatham Glen Park.

William F. Wechsler – 9th Ward Commissioner

Commissioner Wechsler thanked the Hilltop Civic Association for organizing the July 4th activities. The Denny Family was missed this year. He also thanked the Bon Air, Manoa Fire Companies and the Police Department for security.

Commissioner Wechsler thanked the Police Department for extra enforcement while Burmont Road is having water pipe replacement work done.

Larry Holmes, Esquire – 6th Ward Commissioner

SABA had great 4th of July festivities. It was a great event.

Commissioner Holmes eulogized Lee Iacocca who recently passed away. He highlighted that Mr. Iacocca was thankful that his parents were not turned away when they arrived at Ellis Island many years ago.

Andy Lewis – 5th Ward Commissioner

Commissioner Lewis thanked both Dave Burman and Aimee Cuthbertson for the 2nd Annual Shredding Event. Many positive feedbacks.

Together with Commissioner Lewis, Commissioners McCloskey, Siegel and Holmes will hold a follow up meeting with PaDot. Residents will be able to voice their concerns. The Police Department will also be included.

22. All Commissioners agreed to adjourn.

