

1. Call to Order: The Regular Meeting I of the Swatara Township Board of Commissioners was called to order by President Troxell at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, December 7, 2016, at the Township Administration Building, 599 Eisenhower Blvd., Swatara, PA 17111.
2. Pledge of Allegiance: President Troxell led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Invocation: President Troxell gave the invocation.
4. Roll Call: Commissioners Boudier, Chiavetta, Connolly, Milakovic, Moyer, Troxell and Varner were present. Also present: Township Manager LeBlanc, Assistant Manager Kaufman, Solicitor Wyland, Secretary Rubinic, Fire Marshal Ibberson, Tax Collector Donato, and Chief and Sgt.-at-Arms Umberger.
5. Executive Session: President Troxell announced an Executive Session was held prior to tonight's meeting to discuss a Real Estate Matter.
6. Motion to Approve Agenda: Commissioner Connolly moved to approve tonight's agenda as amended, seconded by Commissioner Chiavetta and carried unanimously.
7. Motion to Approve Consent Agenda:
Commissioner Chiavetta moved to approve the following Consent Agenda.
Commissioner Milakovic seconded the motion; carried unanimously.
 - A. Resolution recognizing the achievements of Ann Simonetti who is retiring as Executive Director of CapCOG (R-2016-41)
 - B. Removal of Special Purpose Parking-587 Highland Street (R-2016-42)
 - C. Approval of Police Ride-Along Request - Daniel NeveCommissioner Boudier moved to approve the Consent Agenda items as listed above. Commissioner Milakovic seconded the motion; carried unanimously.
8. Consideration of Minutes - Regular Meeting II - November 9, 2016:
 - A. Commissioner Moyer moved to approve these minutes as presented. Commissioner Connolly seconded the motion; carried unanimously.
 - B. Bid Opening: Solid Waste & Recycling - August 28, 2012: Commissioner Moyer moved to approve these minutes as presented. Commissioner Connolly seconded the motion; carried unanimously.
9. Visitors' Requests & Comments:
Tracey Bechtel, 4921 Derry Street--he lives near the park at the corner of 50th Street and has concerns about speeding in the area. He had information on ready-made speed bumps that he provided to the Board. The Highway Committee will discuss

this with Todd and look at some other options such as the speed tables used in some areas. He also provided information on the speeders to Chief Umberger and they will be looking at setting up the speed sentry display. Commissioner Chiavetta will keep Mr. Bechtel informed of the actions on this matter

Mary Klaus, 447 Pritchard Court --spoke as President of Chambers Hill Fire Company. They have undertaken a project to aid the victims of the fires in Tennessee. They have a connection through the past sale of their old aerial truck and friendship with another Fire Chief in Gatlinburg. They have been overwhelmed by the response of the residents, not only of Chambers Hill, but the entire area. They now have four large trucks heading south to deliver supplies of baby items, toiletries, clothing, and toys. This has been entirely volunteers and donations, and Mary is so proud of our Township for having such generous people. The Board also expressed their thanks to Mary and the fire company for their efforts.

9. Board Presentation by Suzanne Sheaffer: Ms. Sheaffer, a Gold Star Mother, has been working with the Dauphin County Coroner's Office on her Master's Degree in Forensic Nursing. While working at the Dauphin County Potter's Field located in Swatara Township, she noticed a Veteran from WWII was buried there; Derry Township resident Frank Picunas. There are other veterans who have not been identified yet, but that work is continuing. Through the Gold Star Mothers, the cemetery has been registered as a Wreaths Across America location. The first wreath-laying service will be held on Thursday, December 15, at 12:30 PM. She invited all to attend and hopes to have the participation of the Fire Marshal and Police.
10. Consideration of Bid-Solid Waste and Recycling: Assistant Manager Kaufman reviewed the bids opened on December 5 for the collection of solid waste and recycling. Commissioner Chiavetta moved to accept the low bid of Penn Waste Inc. of York in the amounts specified in the bid opening minutes. Commissioner Milakovic seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. The contract runs 4 years, 9 months to get back to a calendar year schedule. The regular collection includes a 96-gallon wheeled trash container and a 65-gallon wheeled container for recyclables, collection of 1 bulk item per week; the small waste generator program will be collected every other week. Mr. Ward of Penn Waste answered questions from the Board and said they will be sending out educational flyers with all the changes and a calendar. There will be notification sent out of when the new containers are coming, probably in March, before the new contract begins April 1. The new starting time will be 6 AM. The collection trucks will be semi-automated with Penn Waste working toward totally automated collection as trucks are replaced.

12. Consideration of Resolution-Amendment to Civil Service Commission Rules & Regulations: Commissioner Connolly moved to approve Resolution R-2016-43 (full text available in Township Resolution Book) amending the general examination requirements for promotions. Commissioner Moyer seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.
13. Consideration of Agreement Renewal- Community Champions: Commissioner Connolly moved to table this item to next week for further information from Codes and explanation of this service. Commissioner Milakovic seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.
14. Visitors Requests & Comments: No further visitor comments.
15. Investigation of Any Possible Stormwater Violations: There were no possible violations noted.
16. Commissioners Requests & Comments:
Commissioner Moyer – asked about the language in the waste contract concerning waivers for vacant houses, snow birds, etc. Commissioner Moyer would like to see that these items are handled between Penn Waste and the residents, without Board involvement.
 Commissioner Moyer gave thanks to our Veterans on this solemn day and thanks to the Gold Star Moms and to our first-responders who are put in harm’s way every day.
Commissioner Boudier – had a request for a street light on Bertha Drive and provided the information to the Highway Committee. Commissioner Boudier moved to have PPL install a street light on that pole. Commissioner Milakovic seconded the motion; carried unanimously. It was suggested to look into LED lighting and to check on the cost of installation and on-going costs.
Commissioner Connolly –thanked Mary Klaus and Brenden Orth for all their efforts in sending help to the Tennessee fire victims.
 He also thanked the group who came out Thanksgiving morning to clean up some roads and cloverleaf areas. The group then delivered pies to the Paxton Home for their Thanksgiving dinner--this was very well received.
 This Monday from 6 -7 PM will be the Annual Tree Lighting with music, hot chocolate, and Santa. In Gear Cycling has donated a bicycle to be raffled off to a child in attendance. Flyers are going out to the elementary schools in the township. Manager LeBlanc added that Feeser’s has donated candies to give out.
Commissioner Milakovic – had no further comments tonight.
Commissioner Chiavetta – also thanked those going to Tennessee.

Commissioner Varner - had no further comments tonight.

President Troxell - felt good about tonight's meeting with the volunteers and the work of the Gold Star Mom, especially since he has a son in the service.

President Troxell also wished a Happy Birthday (tomorrow) to Secretary Rubinic, and the Board welcomed her back after her October surgery.

17. Correspondence: No additional correspondence reported.
18. Adjournment: Commissioner Connolly moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Milakovic and carried unanimously. The Regular Meeting I adjourned at 7:57 PM.



Dolores M. Rubinic, Township Secretary