

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, March 1, 2017, 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, Finance Director Fosselman, Fire Marshal Ibberson, Highway Superintendent Webb, Tax Collector Donato, and Sgt.-at-Arms and Deputy Chief Reider.
5. Motion to Approve Agenda: Commissioner Chiavetta moved to approve tonight's agenda as amended, seconded by Commissioner Connolly and carried unanimously.
6. Motion to Approve Consent Agenda:
Commissioner Connolly moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Boudier seconded the motion; carried unanimously.
 - A. Resolution - Designated Signature for DCNR Grant (R-2017-11)
Commissioner Connolly moved to approve the Consent Agenda items as listed above. Commissioner Boudier seconded the motion; carried unanimously.
7. Consideration of Minutes - Regular Meeting II - February 8, 2017:
 - A. Commissioner Chiavetta moved to approve these minutes as presented. Commissioner Milakovic seconded the motion; carried unanimously.
8. Presentation by H. Edward Black and Associates: Mr. Black presented a power point on the Preliminary Master Plan showing a more refined, detailed plan. He reviewed the access points, parking areas and interior driveways. Features shown on the North Site with the Municipal Building include fountains, play area, rain garden, amphitheatre, pavilion, meadows, detention pond, trails, and a crossing to the south side. The South Site has the Public Works complex with employee and public parking areas, basketball courts, pavilion, rain garden, volleyball and bocce courts, fitness station, large playground, pump track for skateboarding and bikes, grill area, meadow areas, dog park, a reforested trail area, resting benches, and bio swale along the existing creek.

He reviewed estimated separate costs for the north side and the south side of the site for items including: stormwater management, potable water, sewer, grading, E&S, paving, and walking trails.

This totals \$1,938,000 for the North Site and \$1,624,000 for the South Site.

These figures do not include any recreation apparatus, but they will work closely with Township staff on DCNR grant applications.

Mr. Black answered questions on parking spaces, contours in the amphitheatre area, permitting costs, and phasing of the project. There will be no major playing fields because the contours and the shallow depth of bedrock are prohibitive to this. He urged the Board to bring any further concerns or questions to the Manager as they will keep working on refining the plan.

9. Visitors' Requests & Comments:

Dave Scott, Braewood Drive--had an issue with someone coming to his residence asking to see his gas and electric bills. Mr. Scott refused and told the man to leave his property. He then called to the Township Police Department, not 911, because it was not an emergency, and he was told he would have to call the County Dispatch. Deputy Chief Reider explained that Swatara does not do their own dispatching--it is all done through County--and offered to meet with Mr. Scott on this matter.

Mr. Scott said he is a long-time resident and if he didn't know this procedure, how many other residents don't know it either? It was suggested to put an article on this in the Newsletter and on the Police website. There could also be an article or links to information on avoiding scams. Deputy Chief Reider said Det. Haney has handled this in the past and he will continue to get the word out on scams and fraud.

Mr. Scott also asked why the Township doesn't have some kind of permit or license for soliciting or peddling. Solicitor Wyland will look into this, because the legality of this law has been challenged in the past.

Mr. Scott also had a question about inspections of private swimming pools. This is a Codes matter, but the Township does not do inspections on a regular basis.

10. Consideration of 2017 Salary Adjustments: The Personnel Committee has reviewed the listing of salaries and pay increases and recommends approval of the adjustments as proposed. Commissioner Chiavetta moved to approve the 2017 administrative employee pay increases as discussed; seconded by Commissioner Connolly and carried unanimously.

11. Consideration of Award: 2017 Paving Contract: Commissioner Milakovic reported the committee reviewed the bids opened on February 20 for the 2017 Paving Program. The bids were in order and the low bidder is a reputable and qualified contractor. Commissioner Milakovic moved to award the contract to Pennsy Supply for a unit price bid amount of \$1,118,686.25, and authorizing issuance of Notice of Intent to Award to Pennsy Supply. Commissioner Chiavetta seconded

the motion and the motion carried unanimously. The is for paving of five streets: Highspire Street, 80th Street, Derry between 61st & 63rd Streets, a section of Old Nyes Road, and Highland Street. The funding is coming from the balances in the Infrastructure Loan and Bond Fund and \$400,000 in budgeted funds from the General Fund.

12. Appointments to Boards & Commissions: None at this time.

13. Visitors Requests & Comments:

Mary Klaus, 447 Pritchard Court --thanked the Board and Commissioner Connolly in particular for the nice work on the Hearts Across Swatara program. It made her proud to be a Swatara Township resident. She said thanks for the award given to her and for honoring the fire companies, the police officers, and all who do good in our Township.

As President of Chambers Hill Fire Company, she invited all to their Fish Dinners, which will take place every Friday during Lent from 4:30-7 PM. This is all-you-can-eat and the cost is \$11.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children. They will also have Easter Eggs available from the Chambers Hill United Methodist Church in various flavors for \$1.00 each.

14. Investigation of Any Possible Stormwater Violations: There were no possible violations noted.

15. Commissioners Requests & Comments:

Commissioner Moyer – asked Finance Director Fosselman if the new phone system has the capacity to transfer calls to an outside line. Jim will check on this.

He later remembered that County Dispatch does not want calls transferred because this would show up as coming from the Township and not from the location where the call originated.

Commissioner Moyer asked Todd Webb to check on a traffic sign knocked down on Paxton Street by Valley Ag. Todd will call PennDOT to be sure they are aware of it. Commissioner Moyer requested an Executive Session next week to get an update from the lawyer on the status of the wards. Solicitor Wyland will put this request in to her.

Commissioner Boudier – attended the Hearts Across Swatara Program and wanted to give a large amount of credit to Commissioner Connolly for doing a fantastic job arranging this. Commissioner Boudier was amazed at the singers and the overall presentation and hopes this is a yearly event.

Commissioner Connolly –thanked Mary Klaus and Commissioner Boudier for their compliments. He related how the only snow of the season threatened this event.

