

SWATARA TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING I BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS JUNE 6, 2018

Call to Order: The Regular Meeting I of the Swatara Township Board of Commissioners was called to order by President Connolly at 7:03PM on Wednesday, June 6, 2018, at the Township Administration Building, 599 Eisenhower Blvd., Swatara, PA 17111.

Pledge of Allegiance: President Connolly led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Invocation: A moment of silence.

Roll Call: Commissioners Boudier, Varner, Zubeck, and Connolly were present. Commissioner Troxell was absent. Also present: Solicitor Wyland, Township Manager Fosselman, Secretary Bowser, Sgt.-at-Arms and Police Chief Reider, Director of Fire and Emergency Services Marshall Ibberson.

Announce Executive Session: Commissioner Connolly announced an Executive Session was held prior to this evening's meeting to discuss personnel and real estate issues. No action taken.

Motion to Approve Agenda: Commissioner Zubeck moved to approve tonight's agenda as presented, seconded by Commissioner Boudier. Motioned carried unanimously.

Consideration of Minutes:

- A. Regular Meeting II – May 9, 2018: Commissioner Connolly made a motion to approve the minutes of May 9, seconded by Commissioner Varner. Motion carried unanimously.
- B. Special Meeting – May 16, 2018: Commissioner Boudier made a motion to approve the minutes of May 16, seconded by Commissioner Zubeck. Motioned carried unanimously.

Visitors' Request and Comments:

- A. Anthony Spagnolo, 291 North 50th Street: Made a recommendation to spend some money from MS-4 to clear Spring Creek and the branches of Spring Creek behind East Park Apartments. Recommended that he would like this Board of Commissioners to consider getting back to nine Wards.

Committee Reports:

- A. Commissioner Boudier's Personnel Committee Report: Commissioner Boudier said since January 2, 2018 the Township has reorganized positions, duties and responsibilities within the administrative staff. We have eliminated a budgeted full-time position, contracted out a proposed, budgeted full-time position, and had eight current employees add additional work

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responsibilities to their prior duties. The eight employees will receive a pay increase based on their share of additional work duties and responsibilities. This reorganization will result in significant savings to Swatara Township. Commissioner Connolly asked for a list of employees by title by Friday for each Commissioner and a description on how the jobs were divided out. Commissioner Zubeck asked for starting salaries and cost of living adjustments and prior increases for all employees for the last five years. She will get salaries and percentages for current employees. Each Commissioner was given a copy of Commissioner Boudier's Report.

- B. Commissioner Connolly's Recreation Committee Report: Commissioner Connolly reported on improvements to both the Plesic and Randolph Parks. Improvements should start soon, if they have not already. All the information concerning these park plans were discussed with and approved by the Swatara Township Recreation Advisory Board. These items were discussed at public Board of Commissioner meetings, a special Community Recreation Input meeting and four Recreation Advisory Board Meetings. Commissioner Zubeck asked if the money was already budgeted for Plesic Park. Commissioner Connolly said there is enough money in the budget for both parks. Commissioner Varner asked about parking spaces around Plesic Park.

Manager Fosselman received correspondence from Norfolk Southern. They turned down the original leasing offer. They would like to know if we would consider paying leasing for that part of the park, where a walking path and a batting cage is on part of their property. They did send Manager Fosselman pictures of their property where the batting cage is. A survey will be done to see where the property line is. No decision tonight. Each Commissioner was given a copy of Commissioner Connolly's report.

Investigation of Any Possible Stormwater Violations:

- A. Mr. Lee Pisano, 3rd Street Oberlin: On his way to the meeting tonight he noticed grass clippings on the highway on Swatara Street and a drain covered up with cut grass. Commissioner Connolly said that property was maintained perfectly for years and years until the original owners moved to Florida and he doesn't know who is in there now. He could see the grass getting higher and higher he didn't see it in the street, but he saw the way it was being cut. He will turn it over to the highway guys.

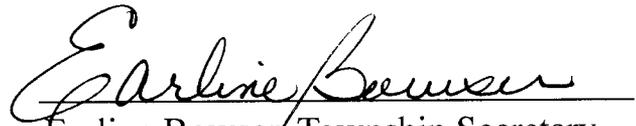
Commissioners Request and Comments, Additional Business and Correspondence:

- A. Commissioner Zubeck: Nothing at this time.

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- B. **Commissioner Boudier**: Announced the Chambers Hill Fire Company is having a second Chicken BBQ on Saturday.
- C. **Commissioner Varner**: Nothing at this time.
- D. **Commissioner Connolly**: Commissioner Connolly made a motion for Bressler and Swatara Fire Companies to attend the Dauphin County Firemen's Convention in Williamstown on Saturday June 9, 2018. He would like to vote on this tonight because it will take place before our next meeting on June 13, 2018, seconded by Commissioner Zubeck. Motion carried unanimously. Thanked Mr. Boudier and Mr. Tom Hurst for coming out on Sunday in advance of Memorial Day to help put up 190 flags, it was the highest number of flags ever put out before. Thanked Ron Huggins for donating a lot of flags, he did last year when flags were placed for September 11. Commissioner Connolly took the flags down to keep our highway guys happy, it was getting time for them to mow. Fire Fighters and the Police Department always show up for a lot of the community activities. Will address it at the next meeting.

Adjournment: Commissioner Varner moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Boudier. Motion carried unanimously. The Regular Meeting I adjourned at 7:43PM.


Earline Bowser, Township Secretary