

SWATARA TOWNSHIP

REGULAR MEETING II BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OCTOBER 10, 2018

1. Call to Order: The Regular Meeting II of the Swatara Township Board of Commissioners was called to order by President Connolly at 7:02 PM on Wednesday, October 10, 2018, at the Township Administration Building, 599 Eisenhower Boulevard, Swatara, PA 17111.
2. Pledge of Allegiance: President Connolly led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Invocation: Commissioner Troxell gave the invocation.
4. Roll Call: Commissioners Boudier, Varner, Zubeck, Troxell and Connolly were present. Also present: Township Manager Jim Fosselman, Solicitor Scott Wyland, Planning and Zoning Director Robert Ihlein, Director of Fire and Emergency Services Director Michael Ibberson and Sgt.-at-Arms and Police Chief Darrell Reider.
5. Executive Session: President Connolly announced an Executive Session was held prior to tonight's meeting to discuss Legal Matters.
6. Motion to Approve Agenda: Commissioner Troxell moved to approve tonight's agenda as presented, seconded by Commissioner Zubeck and carried unanimously.
7. Motion to Approve Items on Consent Agenda:  
The Board has reviewed the following Consent Agenda items and is ready to act on approving these routine requests and matters:
  - A. Monthly Departmental Reports
  - B. Committee Reports
  - C. Codes Report
  - D. Request from Neidig Church for Barricades
  - E. OLDS Extension Request, 1060 Highspire Road
  - F. AARP Request to Use Facilities for 2018 Tax Season
  - G. Disabled Veterans of American Request to Use Facilities

Commissioner Troxell moved to approve the Consent Agenda items listed above.  
Commissioner Varner seconded the motion; carried unanimously.

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8. Consideration of Minutes – Regular Meeting I – October 3, 2018:

Commissioner Troxell made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Boudier seconded the motion; carried unanimously.

9. Visitors Requests and Comments: None at this time.

10. Reports.

A. Manager's Report: Manager Fosselman reported the air conditioner is being worked on, today is the first day with air. There's still a lot to be done.

B. Treasurer's Report: Commissioner Boudier made a motion to accept the attached Treasurer's Report, seconded by Commissioner Troxell. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Troxell asked about the Debt Service Fund disbursement, it was for a bond payment. Police Booking Fund, September 2017 was \$103,301.77 September 2018 was \$24,269.47. Mr. Fosselman explained deposits were made in the wrong account and funds had to be transferred in 2017

C. Solicitor's Report: Commissioner Troxell made a motion to authorize the Township Solicitor to pursue an appeal by the Township against Norfolk Southern Corporation from the order of the of the Dauphin County Board of Assessment Appeals as to the tax-exempt status and assessed value of tax parcels. Seconded by Commissioner Boudier. Motion carried unanimously.

D. Stormwater Report: Will be posted monthly on the bulletin board in the lobby.

E. Fire Services Report: Director of Fire and Emergency Services Ibberson gave a Report of the total number of calls for the month of September. A copy of the detailed report will be posted on the bulletin board in the lobby. It is also Fire Prevention Week. Fire companies will visit all the elementary schools and day cares. New software is being installed and will save the township a substantial amount of money.

F. Chief of Police Report: Chief Reider reported a total of 1389 service calls for the month of September. Coffee With A Cop will be next Wednesday, 6 PM at the Promenade Restaurant on Derry Street. Chief Reider and his wife Shelly won Dancing with the Stars, a fundraiser for the Police Athletic League, for the second year in a row. He presented a brief community service report regarding September activities. The police department has applied for a gaming grant through Dauphin County in the amount of \$130,000.00 for a new motor carrier. There will be a chicken BBQ fundraiser on Saturday for the K-9 Program.

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11. Appointment to Sewer Authority Board: President Connolly said this will stay on the agenda until the appointment is filled. The person who is interested is out of the country. The Board members can still submit names.

12. Subdivision/Land Development Plans:

A. Land Development Plan of Fresh Express: (R-2018-46)

1. Commissioner Troxell made a motion to approve a waiver from Section 253.11 of the Township Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance that requires the submittal of a preliminary plat. Motion seconded by Commissioner Boudier. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Commissioner Troxell made a motion to approve a waiver from Section 253.3 of the Township Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance that requires curbs. Motion seconded by Commissioner Boudier. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Commissioner Troxell made a motion to approve a waiver from Section 253.32 of the Township Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance that requires sidewalks. Motion seconded by Commissioner Zubeck. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Commissioner Troxell made a motion to approve a waiver from Section 247-19.D(8) of the Township Stormwater Management Ordinance that requires calculations showing the total drainage area and impervious area loading rates to each BMP. Motion seconded by Commissioner Zubeck. Motion carried unanimously.
5. Commissioner Zubeck made a motion to approve the attached Resolution for conditional approval of the Preliminary/Final Lot Consolidation and Land Development Plan dated June 25, 2018 as last Revised on September 17, 2018. Motion seconded by Commissioner Troxell. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Land Development Plan of Life Center Ministries: (R-2018-47)

1. Commissioner Troxell made a motion to approve a waiver from Section 253.11 of the Township Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance that requires the submittal of a preliminary plat. Motion seconded by Commissioner Zubeck. Motion carried unanimously.

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2. Commissioner Zubeck made a motion to approve a waiver from Section 253.32 of the Township Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance that Requires sidewalks or paying the fee in lieu of. Motion seconded by Commissioner Troxell. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Commissioner Zubeck made a motion to approve the attached Resolution for Conditional Approval of the Preliminary/Final Lot Consolidation and Land Development Plan Dated June 25, 2018 as last revised on September 17, 2018. Motion seconded by Commissioner Troxell. Motion carried unanimously.

C. Improvements to Sycamore and Paxton Streets: A study is being done at this intersection. A lot of accidents do accrue there. It is still in the developing stage. Tri County Planning and Capital Transportation might have some funding for this project. After discussion Commissioner Connolly made a motion to Partner with Penn Dot on the Plan. Motion seconded by Commissioner Troxell. Motion carried unanimously.

13. Visitors Request and Comments: None at this time.

14. Any Possible Stormwater Violations We Need to Investigate:

A. Joe Donato, 701 South Harrisburg Street: Thanked the Highway Department for taking care of the problem at Mars and South Harrisburg Street. It is a great improvement.

15. Commissioners Requests and Comments, Additional Business and Correspondence:

A. Commissioner Varner: There is a speeding issue on Chambers Street in Bressler. Is there an update on the property on 28<sup>th</sup> Street, is it being demolished? They think the property has been sold and going to rebuild on it. They will take care of demolishing the old building.

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B. Commissioner Zubeck: Property plans for the future on Beal Street, would like to respond the residents in that area. Mr. Ihlein said the owner of the property sold it and he is a hoarder and has been in front of the judge several times. If nothing is done by the end of the month, he is going to ask for a court order to do something about it. Commissioner Zubeck's concern now is there are children there playing and it is now a safety concern.

C. Commissioner Boudier: Upcoming Halloween Party for the Township.

D. Commissioner Troxell: Nothing at this time

E. Commissioner Connolly: A Trunk or Treat will be held on Saturday, October 27th from 1-3pm at the township building. Flyers will go out to all the schools including St. Catherine's. The Chicken BBQ will be held at the municipal building to support the K-9. He thanked the Police Department and Life Center for being a safety zone for the Steel High School. Budget meetings will be held on November 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> at the township building at 6PM. It is Fire Prevention Week, he thanked our Volunteer Fire Fighters, we have some of the best Fire Fighters.

16. Adjournment: Commissioner Troxell moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Boudier and carried unanimously. The Regular Meeting II adjourned at 8:38 PM.



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Earline Bowser, Township Secretary