

**TOWNSHIP OF SALISBURY
LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
MINUTES FROM THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
May 11, 2017
REGULAR MEETING – 7:00 PM**

The Public Meeting of the Salisbury Township Board of Commissioners was held on the above date in the Township Municipal Building located at 2900 South Pike Avenue, Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Brown asked everyone to rise and recite the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a short period of silence and reflection.

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Brown called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Commissioner Brown announced that an Executive Session will take place after the Workshop to discuss legal matters.

Commissioner Brown turned the proceedings over to Ms. Cathy Bonaskiewich, Township Manager.

ROLL CALL

Board Members Present:

James Brown, President
Robert Martucci, Jr., Vice-President
Debra Brinton, President Pro-Tempore
James Seagreaves
Joanne Ackerman

Staff Present:

Cathy Bonaskiewich, Township Manager/Finance Director
John Andreas, Director of Public Works
Allen Stiles, Chief of Police
Cynthia Sopka, Director of Planning & Zoning
Sandy Nicolo, Code Enforcement Officer
Genny Baillie, Recreation Director
John Ashley, Esquire, rep of Davison & McCarthy, Township Solicitor
David Tettermer, rep of Keystone Consulting Engineers, Township Engineer

NOTIFICATION

Ms. Bonaskiewich informed the attendees that all sessions of the Salisbury Township Board of Commissioners regular meetings are recorded electronically for the purpose of taking the Minutes. All public comments on agenda items will be taken prior to the vote. All public comments related to non-agenda items will be taken after the agenda has been satisfied. Ms. Bonaskiewich announced that the Township records the meetings and archives its tapes and records are available pursuant to the Right-to-Know Law, if requested.

Ms. Bonaskiewich reminded everyone of the three-minute rule and asked that anyone who wishes to speak come to the podium, sign in, announce oneself, and speak clearly into the microphone. She added that the speaker can choose not to list his/her address; however, it is preferred that the speaker announces if he or she is a Township resident. Ms. Bonaskiewich noted that if a resident does not divulge his or her address, it may impair the Township in administrative follow-ups on a particular issue.

APPROVAL OF THE LIST OF BILLS PAYABLE

Commissioner Brinton inquired about an invoice from Davison & McCarthy concerning the Sheffield Square Townhouses. Attorney Ashley noted that the fee represents any time he has invested in the project.

Motion by Commissioner Ackerman, seconded by Commissioner Seagreaves, to approve the list of Bills Payable for the period 4/22/2017-5/5/2017, broken down as follows:

\$92,057.33 = GENERAL
\$9,307.78 = FIRE
\$0 = LIBRARY
\$122,704.28 = WATER
\$55,658.37 = SEWER
\$89,796.05 = REFUSE & RECYCLING
\$171.65 = HIGHWAY AID
\$369,695.46 = GRAND TOTAL ALL FUNDS

Roll Call:

COMMISSIONER ACKERMAN – YES
COMMISSIONER SEAGREAVES – YES
COMMISSIONER MARTUCCI – YES
COMMISSIONER BRINTON – YES
COMMISSIONER BROWN – YES

The Motion passed by 5-0.

MINUTES

April 27, 2017

Commissioner Brown declared the Minutes of April 27, 2017 accepted as presented.

NEW BUSINESS

ORDINANCES

None.

RESOLUTIONS

None.

MOTIONS

None.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Mr. Robert Agonis from 1189 Meadowbrook Circle W brought forth various zoning issues from the Zoning Hearing Board meeting held on May 2nd, 2017. He also displayed a document projector, explaining that any document set underneath the camera will project onto a screen. Ms. Bonaskiewich stated that the Township has TV screens to project things in digital format, but the projector would be a useful tool for those items not in that format.

Commissioner Seagreaves inquired about the dress code for the male Commissioners. Ms. Bonaskiewich noted that the Board may wear whatever attire in which they are comfortable because there is no formal dress code. It was the consensus of the Board to wear business casual attire.

Ms. Sopka noted that the cleanup at Walking Purchase Park was a success.

Chief Stiles stated the Police Department conducted a Drug Takeback Day at the South Mall on April 29th, 2017. Chief reminded the Board that residents can bring their unused prescription drugs anytime to the Police Department as well as to Lehigh Valley Health Network. He noted that the DEA burns the drugs collected in order to keep them out of the landfills.

Chief Stiles announced that on August 1st, 2017, the Police Department will be participating in National Night Out, which is a community-based program geared towards bringing residents and Police Officers together. He noted that the venue is yet to be determined, but he should have the information shortly.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Martucci made a Motion to adjourn the Meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Brinton. The time was 7:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Bonaskiewich
Township Secretary

These constitute the official minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners held on May 11, 2017.

Approved and certified on this date:

Cathy Bonaskiewich

Date: _____