

November 1, 2016

Mr. Panzullo, President of the Board, convened the work session at 7:00 p.m. on the above date. Present were: Commissioners Donoghue, Kennedy McKenzie and Tolbert, together with Jason M. Bobst; Christen Pionzio, Esquire; Kathy K. Frederick; A. Dale Mabry; Michael Kelly; Michael Valyo; and Jonathan Dzedzy. There were nine (9) people in the audience.

After reciting the Pledge of Allegiance, the meeting proceeded.

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Items on the Agenda for the upcoming Board meeting were enumerated and addressed by Mr. Bobst as follows:

Since there is currently no formal towing agreement for the Township, the formal RFP (Request for Proposal) process should be completed. In that regard, a request for advertising of an RFP will be made at the Board's upcoming meeting.

Per Ms. Pionzio, a hearing is scheduled for December 13th on the amended sign Ordinance.

The bidding on the four (4) items on Municibid (2012 Expedition, 2001 ODB Leaf Machine, Leaf Box and Weed Wackers) will be completed and ready for awarding.

Regarding the EIP (Early Intervention Program). Mr. Bobst met with Jamar Kelly to review DCED reports, and the next step is adoption of a Resolution supporting submission of the grant application for the program. According to Mr. Bobst, Upper Merion Township was just approved for the EIP.

For the second time, there were no bids received for the 2016 Residential Home Elevation Project. It was suggested by Mr. Valyo that perhaps the \$350,000.00 allotment is not enough money to raise the two (2) homes, i.e., #2 and #9 Port Indian, and that both homes are open for discussing a buyout.

Regarding discussion items and status updates:

- Mr. Donoghue requested that we remove from the tabled items the building code item by drafting an Ordinance to revise the fees and what items require permits. Mr. Tolbert noted that he would like to see the budget impact figures if the changes to the permitting process and requirements were adopted. Mr. Bobst noted that we don't want to discourage homeowners from upkeep on their properties by stringent permitting, while Mr. Kennedy inquired if we cite or how we police repairs to properties;
- That the next step in the planning process of the proposed improvements at the Jeffersonville Golf Club is an architectural proposal and meetings with the residents in the area for their input on location, design, etc. so as not to impact their quality of life.
- Additionally, Mr. Bobst revealed that he was contacted by a firm in

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New Jersey about placing a cell tower monopole at an approximate height of 120' at the Jeffersonville Golf Club. According to Mr. Bobst, the tower could generate income at \$1,000.00 to \$8,000.00 per month for a relatively small footprint and not in the field of play. Mr. Tolbert expressed his interest in seeing a rendering of the tower itself.

- It was decided by the Board and announced that a work session in December was not necessary from a budgetary standpoints and would; therefore, not be held;
- Congratulations were offered by the Board to Mr. Bobst for his hard work balancing the budget; and
- EAC Chairman Watters would recap the EAC's new and on-going projects. As such, Mr. Watters noted that approximately 50 people attended the "great" watershed meeting, and that they are awaiting answers from FEMA and that Army Corp of Engineers. Mr. Watters mentioned that storm sewer painting is underway. Also, it was suggested by Mr. Watters that he attend the round table meetings in Norristown and introduce them to what we did and are doing here as an EAC. It was suggested by the Board that Mr. Bobst script something for Mr. Watters to present at those meetings. Concern over runoff from digging and storm water from LP in WNT was mentioned by Mr. Watters, as well as concerns over the weeds on PECO's right-of-way at the bike path and poles on Schuylkill for the 1871 W. Main Street apartment construction.

There being no further items on the Agenda, upon motion of Mr. Tolbert seconded by Mr. Donoghue and unanimously approved, the work session was adjourned at 7:40P.M.

Adjournment

Kathy K. Frederick
Assistant Secretary