

June 6, 2023

Mr. Smock, President of the Board, convened the work session at 7:00 PM on the above date. Also present were Commissioners Milazzo, Eckles, Pavone and Miller, as well as: Jason M. Bobst; Colleen Marsini, Esquire; Kathy Frederick; Michael Kelly; Stephen Morris; Donna Horn; Michael Valyo; and Allan Booz. After reciting the Pledge of Allegiance, the meeting proceeded.

Presentation *Rich Powers, President of Norriton Little League (NLL) thanked the NLL – Lights @ Centennial Park Board for its continued support of the little league program and outlined the NLL’s proposed lighting project for the main field at Centennial Park. According to Mr. Powers, the mission of the lighting program is twofold: to attract more families to the league; and to elevate the status of the Centennial Park complex. Mr. Powers showed a rendering of the illumination plan and noted that there will be no lighting issue to surrounding residences as the light standards are directed onto the field only and have hoods on them to direct the light. In addition, per Mr. Powers, notices were sent to the surrounding residents for their input and/or concerns about field lighting. Also, it was noted by Mr. Powers that an electrical upgrade to the park is necessary and is part of the project. Mr. Bobst added that a grant is pending for 100% funding for this project, but that the Township did contribute to the project for the upgrade as it will benefit the Township with electric service for future events.*

**Discussion/
Status Update** *Discussion/Status update was given by Mr. Bobst as follows:*

- A. Regarding the Commissioners’ Quarterly Donation, Mr. Miller mentioned that the Board members contribute a portion of their salaries to local groups, charities, etc. and he suggested that the Board meet outside of a public meeting to discuss suitable recipients. It was noted that no violation of the Sunshine Laws would occur if the Board met for this purpose as the meeting involves the Commissioners’ own money. Mr. Miller offered to take the lead on this matter.*
- B. Presenting Proclamation to Alan Charron, a good Samaritan who assisted a resident that was experiencing a medical emergency;*

Manager *According to Mr. Bobst, the following items would be considered for adoption and/or action thereon at the next Board meeting:*

- A. Advertising of Ordinance No. 2023-764 Prohibiting Conversion Therapy;*
- B. Resolution #23-1703 Authorizing Amendment to General Obligation Notes as the three original Notes mention funded through LIBOR, which is ceasing and is being replaced by*

SOFR. Per Mr. Bobst, this is only a replacement of the financing verbiage and not a change in terms or amount.

- C. Resolution #23-1704 Recognizing June 2023 as LGBTQ+ Pride month and recognizing Ms. Wurzel for her contributions to the HRC; and*
- D. Approval of Settlement Stipulation for Assessment Appeal of 2115 W. Main Street (Burn ridge Shopping Center) decreasing the assessment from \$1,215,300 to \$1,078,700 resulting in a \$2,258 refund to the property owner.*

**Liaison
Committee
Reports**

Per Mr. Smock, the Planning Commission continued to work on the Comprehensive Plan and he encouraged all to log onto the Township's website and complete the survey on the home page, where over 200 residents have completed the survey to date.

Ms. Milazzo advised that the Parks & Recreation committee met to finalize plans for Community Day and to continue planning 2023 events. Also, Ms. Milazzo mentioned that the Senior Circle will meet for a summer picnic on June 21st.

*Ms. Eckles stated that the Arts & Culture Commission met, but without a quorum, and its next meeting will be on June 20th.
@ 6:30 PM. Per Ms. Eckles, the Commission is seeking additional members.*

Ms. Pavone mentioned that the HRC conducted a well-attended Pride Flag Raising event at the Township building with speakers including, Senator Capelletti and Representative Webster, among others. will have a booth at Community Day. Also, Ms. Pavone noted that the HRC is participating in the Juneteenth celebration with Norristown and that it is planning another movie night. According to Ms. Pavone, the HRC is also looking for new members.

It was noted by Mr. Miller that the EAC met last month and discussed the responses to the plastic bag ban.

**Public
Comment**

Leroy James Watters, III. of 1 E. Indian Lane commented that the Township conducted a "great" Community Day. It was mentioned by Mr. Watters that the Stony Creek Anglers are "doing a fantastic job of stocking the streams" and he is hoping to promote them. Thanks were given by Mr. Watters for the Township taking care of the potholes on Port Indian Road. Mr. Watters concluded by stating that his latest mission is uncovering untaxed or improperly taxed properties. Mr. Miller added that the Stony Creek Anglers are doing "great work".

Mary Ellen Moran of Port Indian Road inquired about the status of the COVID grant money, about the relevancy of the proposed Resolution recognizing June as Pride Month and about the status of the VRJ litigation as she is hearing about a meeting. Per Mr. Bobst, the Judge on the VRJ case asked to have the groups attempt to resolve the matter prior to trial and that he wants to see a good faith effort in that regard. Mr. Bobst added that there is no trial date schedule at this time and that the covenant remains in place.

Upon motion of Mr. Miller, seconded by Ms. Milazzo and unanimously agreed, the public comment portion of the meeting was closed.

***Upcoming
Meeting Dates***

According to Mr. Bobst, the following is the upcoming schedule of meetings: Environmental Advisory Council – June 7th @ 7:00 PM; Recreation Committee – June 14th @ 8:00 PM; Arts & Culture Commission – June 20th @ 7:00 PM; Planning Commission – June 19th @ 7:00 PM; Zoning Hearing Board – June 21st @ 7:00 PM; and Human Relations Commission – June 22nd @ 7:00 PM.

Adjournment

There being no further items on the agenda, upon motion of Mr. Miller, seconded by Ms. Milazzo and unanimously approved, the work session was adjourned at 7:44PM.

*Kathy K. Frederick
Assistant Secretary*