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AGENDA - October 4th, 2021

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Executive Session
- 4. Minutes of September 20th, 2021 Board of Supervisors Meeting
  - a. Additions, corrections, motion for approval
  - b. Agenda for October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021– additions, corrections, motion for approval.
- 5. Police Department Report Chief Templin
  - Labor Attorney Appointment Uniform Employee Issues (BOS Appointment Required)
  - Police Officer Discipline Suspension (BOS Approval of Step II Grievance Hearing & Date)
- 6. Solicitor Report Robert Brant, Esq.
  - a. 400 Gilbertsville Rd, 10 Lots Final Resolution Pending
- 7. Manager's Report Peter Hiryak
  - 1. Schedule of Meetings
    - a. Thursday October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021 P/A @ 7pm, No Workshop Scheduled, Monday October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021 BOS Agenda Meeting @ 6:30pm, BOS Meeting @ 7pm.
  - 2. Proposed Ordinance prohibit parking on public streets during snow/ice events (BOS review only)
  - 3. 904 Recycling Performance Grant (\$34,759.80)
  - 4. Zern Tract Phase II Escrow Release #5 (\$183,492.00) (BOS Approval Required)
  - 5. 2022 Budget Departmental Info Meetings (October 5<sup>th</sup> to October 25<sup>th</sup>).
- 8. Old Business/New Business
- 9. Public Comment
- 10. Adjournment

**NEXT MEETING 7PM MONDAY OCTOBER 18<sup>TH</sup>, 2021** 

The meeting of the Douglass Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:02P.M. Attending were Chairman Joshua Stouch, Vice Chairman Tom Wynne, Supervisor Alan Keiser, Solicitor Robert Brant, Khal Hassan of Pennoni & Associates, Pete Hiryak, Andrew Duncan, Mike Heydt, Chief Templin, and approximately 9 residents/developers.

Mr. Stouch led in the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting room was set up for modified social distancing. A reporter was present at the meeting.

Mr. Stouch announced that an Executive Session was held this evening from approximately 5:30pm to 6:15pm on potential litigation and personnel matters. No votes or decisions were taken.

Mr. Stouch asked if there were any additions, corrections, or comments to the minutes of September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Board of Supervisors Meeting, none were given.

A motion was made by Mr. Wynne, seconded by Mr. Keiser to approve the minutes of the September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Board of Supervisors Meeting. Keiser-Aye, Stouch-Aye, Wynne-Aye. Motion passed.

Mr. Stouch asked if there were any questions, comments, or corrections to the October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Board of Supervisors Agenda, and requested to move the Conflict Attorney Appointment from the Manager's Report to No. 1 on the Police Department Report. No other changes were given.

A motion was made by Mr. Stouch, seconded by Mr. Wynne to approve the October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Board of Supervisors Agenda with the above changes. Keiser-Aye, Stouch-Aye, Wynne-Aye. Motion passed.

# Police Department Report - Chief Templin

- 1. Labor Attorney Appointment Uniform Employee Issues (BOS Appointment)
  A motion was made by Mr. Stouch to appoint Victor Frederick of Boyd & Karver as the Township Labor Attorney, seconded by Mr. Keiser. Keiser-Aye, Stouch-Aye, Wynne-Aye. Motion passed.
  - 2. Police Officer Discipline Suspension (BOS Approval of Step II Grievance Hearing & Date) The manager stated that BOS approval is needed for the Step II Grievance Hearing & a tentative date of October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 6pm was announced.

A motion was made by Mr. Stouch, seconded by Mr. Keiser for approval of the Step II Grievance Hearing & tentative date of October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 6pm. Keiser-Aye, Stouch-Aye, Wynne-Aye. Motion passed.

## Solicitor Report - Robert Brant, Esq.

400 Gilbertsville Rd, 10 Lots - Final Resolution Pending

Mr. Brant announced that he has nothing new to report. Manager Hiryak asked if an advertisement was required for the Step II Grievance Hearing, Mr. Brant stated that an advertisement for a Special Meeting of the Board of Supervisors would be needed and the meeting involving personnel matters would be in an Executive Session.

#### Manager's Report - Pete Hiryak

- 1. The Manager reviewed the upcoming meetings as follows: Thursday October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021 P/A Meeting @ 7pm, No Workshop Scheduled. Monday October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021 BOS Agenda Meeting @ 6:30pm, BOS Meeting @ 7pm.
- 2. Proposed Ordinance Prohibiting parking on public streets during snow/ice event (BOS review only) Manager Hiryak stated that this will be addressed at another meeting after ordinance is finalized and advertised for a public hearing.
- 3. 904 Recycling Performance Grant (\$34,759.80) Mr. Duncan has received notice that the Township will be receiving \$34,759.80 in 3 to 4 weeks.

4. Zern Tract – Phase II Escrow Release #5 (\$183,492.00) – (BOS Approval Required) – Pennoni Engineering has received an escrow release request for the Zern Tract Phase II Release #5 in the amount of \$183,492.00 and has been recommended for release by the Engineer leaving a balance of \$1,650,775.08 remaining in the escrow.

A motion was made by Mr. Stouch, seconded by Mr. Wynne to approve the Zern Tract Phase II Release #5, recommended by Pennoni Engineering, in the amount of \$183,492.00 leaving a remaining balance in escrow of \$1,650,775.08. Keiser-Aye, Stouch-Aye, Wynne-Aye. Motion passed.

5. 2022 Budget – Departmental info Meetings (October 5<sup>th</sup> to October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2021) – This will involve meetings with the Department Heads. In November we will have public budget meetings prior to the regularly scheduled November Board of Supervisors Meetings, these additional meetings will be advertised.

A motion was made by Mr. Stouch, seconded by Mr. Keiser to accept the Manager's Report as presented. Keiser-Aye, Stouch-Aye, Wynne-Aye. Motion passed.

#### **Old Business/New Business**

No old business or new business was discussed.

### **Public Comment**

Mr. Kolb commented that since we are not allowed to burn can we schedule a shredding event. Mr. Stouch said that Montgomery County just had two shredding events. Mr. Duncan stated that he would reach out to Rep. Tracy Pennychuick about the possibility of holding an event or if any are scheduled in the area. Mr. Brumwell asked about his meeting with the Engineer. Manager Hiryak had a summary from Ms. Lee involving flooding on Middle Creek Road. Mr. Hassan said Ms. Lee is still reviewing the situation. No other public comment was given.

A motion was made by Mr. Stouch, seconded by Mr. Keiser to adjourn the meeting at 7:12pm. Keiser-Aye, Stouch-Aye, Wynne-Aye. Motion passed.

The next Board of Supervisor's Meeting will be held on Monday, October 18th, 2021 @ 7 pm.

Respectfully submitted by, Marcy Meitzler