

**REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING
JUNE 4, 2018**

MEMBERS PRESENT Michael Hudak, President
Thomas Nolan, Vice-President
Malissa Davis, Commissioner
John Gallagher, Commissioner
John Merhottein Commissioner

OTHERS PRESENT James Broughal, Township Solicitor
Doug Bruce, Township Manager

CALL TO ORDER President Hudak called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., and led those in attendance in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

EXECUTIVE SESSION Solicitor Broughal announced that the Board of Commissioners met in Executive Session on June 4, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss litigation matters pursuant to Section 708a of the Pennsylvania Sunshine Act.

OATH OF OFFICE President Hudak administered the Oath of Office for Fire Police to Ashley Martin, John Sottolare and Susan Sottolare.

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR

**JUDI FAROLE
128 S. 13TH STREET** Ms. Farole said that she had received a violation notice for trash and debris on her property. She asked the code inspector if he had been out to her property and said no. Ms. Farole asked if the township can issue violation notices without looking at the property. President Hudak said the complaints are called in and the inspector goes out to the property. Doug Bruce, Township Manager said he will look into the matter.

**BARRY ROTH
4323 CHETWIN TERR.** Mr. Roth said that the recycling center is starting to look like a junk yard and asked if it could be organized.

**MARTY COMER
3613 DEWALT STREET** Mr. Comer asked when Comer Park playground would be ready. Mr. Bruce said it would be done by June 11th weather permitting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES Upon motion (Davis-Gallagher), the Board of Commissioners voted unanimously by voice vote to approve the minutes of the May 16, 2018 special public meeting as presented.

Upon motion (Merhottein-Davis), the Board of Commissioners voted unanimously by voice vote to approve the minutes of the May 21, 2018 regular public meeting as presented.

PRESENTATION

PORTABLE RESTROOMS AT "NORTH FORTY" Upon motion (Nolan-Gallagher), the Board of Commissioners voted unanimously by voice vote to authorize the township manager to obtain specifications and bids.

**RESOLUTIONS OF
THE BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS**

**RESOLUTION R050-18 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION TO THE
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY HOTEL TAX GRANT PROGRAM**

Upon motion (Gallagher-Merhottein), the Board of Commissioners unanimously voted by voice vote to approve Resolution R050-18 authorizing an application to the Northampton County Hotel Tax Grant program.

**RESOLUTION R051-18 A RESOLUTION APPOINTING A MEMBER OF THE BETHLEHEM
TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY**

Upon motion (Merhottein-Nolan), the Board of Commissioners unanimously voted by voice vote to approve Resolution R051-18 appointing Howard L. Kutzler to the Bethlehem Township Municipal Authority.

**MOTIONS OF THE
BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS**

MOTION

**A MOTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP MANAGER TO
ADVERTISE FOR BID THE CARPENTRY PORTION OF THE
ARCHIBALD JOHNSTON MANSION EXTERIOR RENOVATION
PROJECT**

Upon motion (Gallagher-Merhottein), the Board of Commissioners unanimously voted by voice vote to approve a motion authorizing the township manager to advertise for bid the carpentry portion of the Archibald Johnston mansion exterior renovation project.

**APPROVAL OF
PURCHASE ORDERS**

PO 20181356 – Tri-State Traffic Data Inc. – Administration – \$4,830.00

Upon motion (Merhottein-Gallagher), the Board of Commissioners voted unanimously by voice vote to approve Purchase Order PO 20181356 as presented.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

**BETHLEHEM
TOWNSHIP
VOLUNTEER FIRE
COMPANY FLASHING
BEACON**

Upon motion (Davis-Gallagher), the Board of Commissioners voted unanimously authorizing the township manager to send a letter to PennDOT regarding the installation of a flashing beacon on 8th Street and Freemansburg Avenue for the Bethlehem Township Volunteer Company.

**PURCHASE AND
INSTALLATION OF
“NO LITTERING”
SIGNS ALONG
SCULAC ROAD,
WILSON AVENUE AND
FARMERSVILLE
ROAD**

President Hudak said that many residents have taken the time to clean up litter along the D&L Trail and in their neighborhood. He said that they bag the garbage and public works picks them up. President Hudak thanked them. The residents have asked to post 3 “no littering” signs. President Hudak said it was the least they can do and said there is money in the sign budget for them. Ms. Davis suggested doggie stations be placed along the D&L Trail.

Upon motion (Davis-Nolan), the Board of Commissioners voted unanimously to

authorize the township manager to have the signs prepared and installed along Sculac Road, Wilson Avenue and Farmersville Road.

SURVEY RESULTS

Ms. Davis said that the survey results were in and that the township did very well on safety and that Bethlehem Township is a good place to live. She invited the public to visit the website and read the results.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, upon motion (Nolan-Gallagher), the Board of Commissioners unanimously voted by voice vote to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Zapata
Recording Secretary