

**REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING
MARCH 4, 2019**

- MEMBERS PRESENT** Michael Hudak, President
Malissa Davis, Vice President
Kristine Blake, Commissioner
John Gallagher, Commissioner
John Merhottein Commissioner
- OTHERS PRESENT** Wendy Nicolosi, Township Solicitor
Doug Bruce, Township Manager
Steve Hunsberger, PPIS Director
- CALL TO ORDER** President Hudak called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m., and led those in attendance in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.
- EXECUTIVE SESSION** Solicitor Nicolosi announced that the Board of Commissioners met in Executive Session on March 4, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss litigation and personnel matters pursuant to Section 708a of the Pennsylvania Sunshine Act.
- COURTESY OF THE FLOOR** There were no comments during Courtesy of the Floor.
- APPROVAL OF MINUTES** Upon motion (Gallagher-Davis), the Board of Commissioners voted unanimously by voice vote to approve the minutes of the February 18, 2019 regular public meeting.
- PUBLIC HEARINGS**
- ORDINANCE 03-19** **AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING THAT ALL INDIVIDUALS OR ENTITIES UTILIZING CREDIT CARDS OR DEBIT CARDS FOR PAYMENT OF DELINQUENT MUNICIPAL CLAIMS SHALL ALSO PAY THE CHARGES OR FEES ASSOCIATED WITH THE TRANSACTION AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT HERewith**
- Upon motion (Davis-Merhottein), the Board of Commissioners unanimously voted by voice vote to adopt Ordinance 03-19 requiring that all individuals or entities utilizing credit cards or debit cards for payment of delinquent municipal claims shall also pay the charges or fees associated with the transaction and repealing all ordinances inconsistent herewith.
- RESOLUTIONS OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**
- RESOLUTION R026-19** **A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE OFFER OF DEDICATION OF FERNCROFT LANE AND PEACOCK DRIVE**
- Upon motion (Merhottein-Gallagher), the Board of Commissioners unanimously voted by voice vote to approve Resolution R026-19 accepting the offer of dedication of Ferncroft Lane and Peacock Drive.

RESOLUTION R027-19 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE OFFER OF DEDICATION OF TAMARIND DRIVE AND SCHERMAN BOULEVARD

Upon motion (Merhottein-Gallagher), the Board of Commissioners unanimously voted by voice vote to approve Resolution R027-19 accepting the offer of dedication of Tamarind Drive and Scherman Boulevard.

RESOLUTION R028-19 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE OFFER OF DEDICATION OF SHERMAN BOULEVARD, TAMARIND DRIVE, FERNCROFT LANE, PEACOCK DRIVE AND DONEGAL DRIVE

Upon motion (Merhottein-Gallagher), the Board of Commissioners unanimously voted by voice vote to approve Resolution R028-19 accepting the offer of dedication of Sherman Boulevard, Tamarind Drive, Ferncroft Lane, Peacock Drive and Donegal Drive.

RESOLUTION R029-19 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE OFFER OF DEDICATION OF DONEGAL DRIVE

Upon motion (Merhottein-Gallagher), the Board of Commissioners unanimously voted by voice vote to approve Resolution R029-19 accepting the offer of dedication of Donegal Drive.

MOTIONS OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MOTION

A MOTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ENTECH ENGINEERING TO CONDUCT A FACILITY CONDITION ASSESSMENT OF THE BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY CENTER IN ORDER TO RE-SCOPE

Steve Hunsberger, PPIS Director, explained that the study will allow the Township to better understand the scope and potential cost of renovations and interim repairs to the community center. Recommendations will be phased over a 5-7 year period. The data will also provide a tool to efficiently track completed projects and final construction costs. Mr. Hunsberger said some repairs may be done in-house. Mr. Gallagher asked what is different about this proposal. Mr. Hunsberger responded that the first proposal was for guiding and planning. This proposal is a more detailed and budgetary approach which includes probable cost in the next 10 years.

Upon motion (Davis-Blake), the Board of Commissioners voted unanimously by voice vote to approve a motion authorizing the township manager to enter into an agreement with Entech Engineering to conduct a facility condition assessment of the Bethlehem Township Community Center in order to re-scope

MOTION

A MOTION AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE DONATION, FOR NO CONSIDERATIONS, OF THE JOHNSTON MANSION ELEVATOR MOTOR TO THE NATIONAL MUSEUM OF INDUSTRIAL HISTORY.

Upon motion (Gallagher-Davis), the Board of Commissioners voted unanimously by voice vote to approve a motion authorizing and approving the donation, for no considerations, of the Johnston mansion elevator motor to the National Museum of

Industrial History.

MOTION

A MOTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SETTLEMENT STIPULATION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BETHLEHEM, NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, BY AND BETWEEN SAVE GREEN POND AND JOHN GLAGOLA, TOA GREEN POND, L.P., AND GREEN POND GOLF COURSE INC., AND THE TOWNSHIP OF BETHLEHEM IN ORDER TO ALLOW THE SETTLEMENT OF A CERTAIN APPEAL OF THE FINAL PLAN APPROVAL OF THE TOA PLANNED RESIDENTIAL GOLF COURSE PROJECT

Upon motion (Merhottein-Davis), the Board of Commissioners voted by voice vote to approve a motion authorizing the execution of a settlement stipulation of the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Bethlehem, Northampton County, by and between Save Green Pond and John Glagola, TOA Green Pond, L.P., and Green Pond Golf Course Inc., and the Township of Bethlehem in order to allow the settlement of a certain appeal of the final plan approval of the TOA Planned Residential Golf Course Project. The motion passed 4-0-1. Mrs. Blake abstained.

APPROVAL OF PURCHASE ORDERS

PO 20190460 – Core & Main. – PPIS – \$18,476.00
PO 20190461 – Joao & Bradley Construction – PPIS – \$26,542.96
PO 20190486 – JWC Environmental – PPIS – \$20,610.93.

Upon motion (Davis-Gallagher), the Board of Commissioners voted unanimously by voice vote to approve Purchase Orders PO 20190460, PO 20190461 and PO 20190486 as presented.

COMMENDATION

President Hudak commended the Public Works department for a job well done removing the snow.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, upon motion (Davis-Blake), the Board of Commissioners unanimously voted by voice vote to adjourn the meeting at 7:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Zapata
Recording Secretary