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I. CALL TO ORDER – PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

The General Business Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Upper Macungie Township was called to order on March 5, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 8330 Schantz Road, Breinigsville, PA 18031. Present were James M. Brunell, Chairman; John P. "Sean" Gill, Vice-Chairman; Kathy A. Rader, Supervisor; Robert R. Ibach, Jr., Township Manager; Kalman A. Sostarecz, Jr., Township Secretary; Daren J. Martocci, Director of Community Development; David Alban, Township Engineer; Andrew V. Schantz, Esq., Solicitor; Edgardo Colón, Chief of Police, UMTPD; Scott Faust, Public Works Director; Bruce Koller, Finance Director; and Lynn Matula, Recreation & Events Coordinator.

Chairman Brunell opened the meeting and asked all present to join him in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Secretary Sostarecz announced that an Executive Session was held prior to the meeting at 6:00 p.m. and the topic was Safety & Security.

Motion by Supervisor Rader to authorize the Township Manager to sign an agreement with TWG Security of Emmaus, PA for the installation of new and upgraded security cameras at the Municipal Building in the amount of \$24,885.24. Seconded by Vice-Chairman Gill. The motion passed unanimously.

II. MINUTES

A. February 6, 2020

Chairman Brunell stated that he would dispense with the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting unless there was an objection.

Motion by Chairman Brunell to waive the reading of the minutes of the February 6, 2020 meeting and approve them as presented. Seconded by Vice-Chairman Gill. The motion passed unanimously.

III. PRESENTATIONS

A. Jacque Creamer & Leroy Gross Distinguished Service Awards

Distinguished Service Awards were presented to Jacque Creamer and Leroy Gross, who were in attendance, upon their retirement as Fire Chiefs in Upper Macungie Township.

IV. DISCUSSIONS & UPDATES

A. Keep PA Beautiful

Manager Ibach stated that there has been interest in beginning a road cleanup program in the township and he reached out to Keep PA Beautiful. They provide the coordination of a program that the Township could utilize, including training for those doing the cleaning, starting materials, and a single road sign for the participating group or family. The township would install the sign and potentially provide a second sign to be mounted in the opposite direction.

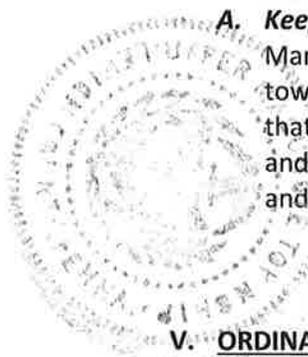
Motion by Chairman Brunell to allow the Township to work with Keep PA Beautiful to implement the program. Seconded by Supervisor Rader. The motion passed unanimously.

V. ORDINANCES

VI. RESOLUTIONS

A. Resolution #2020-07 – Docket #2287 – Motel 6 Lot Consolidation – Preliminary/Final Subdivision Land Approval

Mr. Alban stated that the plan complies with the UMT Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance and Zoning Ordinance. The UMT Planning Commission reviewed the project and made a recommendation of approval. No waivers or variances are requested.



Motion by Supervisor Rader to approve Resolution #2020-07, granting Preliminary/Final Approval to Docket #2287, Motel 6 Lot Consolidation Plan, conditioned upon the letter from Keystone Consulting Engineers dated February 17, 2020. Seconded by Chairman Brunell. The motion passed unanimously. BE IT RESOLVED, Resolution #2020-07 is hereby adopted.

B. Resolution #2020-08 – Sewage Planning Module – Shoppes at Trexler Plaza

Manager Ibach stated that a resolution is required by the PA DEP to submit a modification to the Township's official sewage facilities plan for the proposed Shoppes at Trexler Plaza. The application has been reviewed by Keystone Consulting Engineers who recommends its adoption.

Motion by Supervisor Rader to approve Resolution #2020-08, amending the Township's Official Sewage Facilities Plan for the Shoppes at Trexler Plaza. Seconded by Vice-Chairman Gill. The motion passed unanimously. BE IT RESOLVED, Resolution #2020-08 is hereby adopted.

VII. MOTIONS

A. Awarding of Bid – Sanitary Sewer System Lateral Rehabilitation Project

Manager Ibach stated that the Township is required to remove Inflow & Infiltration from our sanitary sewer system per PA DEP regulations. We have substantially completed the lining of our main line clay pipes, made substantial progress on manhole repairs, and now begin focusing on laterals from properties to the Township line. A bid was originally completed in December 2019 but was rejected due to quotes that came in much higher than the Engineer's estimates. This re-bid has produced eight quotes, and he is recommending the project be awarded to the low bidder, DOLI Construction Corporation of Chalfont, PA in the amount of \$977,561.00.

Motion by Chairman Brunell to award the Sanitary Sewer System Lateral Rehabilitation Project to DOLI Construction Corporation of Chalfont, PA in the amount of \$977,561.00. Seconded by Vice-Chairman Gill. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Authorizing Preparation and Advertisement of an Ordinance Creating a New Non-Uniform Pension Plan

Manager Ibach stated that pensions and health care are the two issues that have the most impact in maintaining our budget. The goal with the proposed plan, which would only impact non-uniform employees yet-to-be hired, would reduce the burden for future budgets that may be impacted from high pension contributions based on an under-valued or under-funded plan. This would require an Ordinance to update the Pension Ordinance.

Motion by Chairman Brunell to authorize staff to prepare and advertise an ordinance for a new Non-Uniform Defined Contribution Pension Plan. Seconded by Vice-Chairman Gill. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Authorizing Creation of New Recreation Programs

Ms. Matula stated that the Recreation Board has requested approval of five new programs to take place this year. She outlined each of them for the Board.

Motion by Vice-Chairman Gill to authorize the creation of the following new Recreation Programs for 2020: Easter Egg Hunt, Mad Science Camp, 'Lil Athletes Camp & Multi-Sport Classes, The Healthy Kids Running Series, and Food Truck Festival. Seconded by Chairman Brunell. The motion passed unanimously.

D. Approving "Light up the Night" Special Event Application

Ms. Matula stated that a special event application was received from the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society to hold a "Light up the Night" event at Grange Park in September at which they would

expect a large attendance. All lanterns would be battery-operated, but they have requested fireworks and the proper permit has been submitted.

Motion by Chairman Brunell to approve the Special Event Permit Application for the "Light up the Night" event by the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society at Grange Park on September 19, 2020 from 4:30 – 8:30 p.m., providing all Township policies and procedures are adhered to. Seconded by Supervisor Rader. The motion passed unanimously.

E. Approving Requests for Special Fire Police Assistance

Mr. Grim stated that the Allentown Police Department has requested assistance from our Fire Police for the St. Patrick's Day Parade and the St. Luke's Half Marathon.

Motion by Supervisor Rader to approve Special Fire Police Assistance for the following events on behalf of the Allentown Police Department: St. Patrick's Day Parade starting at the Allentown Fairgrounds on March 22, 2020 from 11:00 a.m. until the completion of the event; the St. Luke's Half Marathon at Cedar Beach Park on April 26, 2020 from 6:15 a.m. until the completion of the event. Seconded by Vice-Chairman Gill. The motion passed unanimously.

VIII. BOARD AND STAFF REPORTS

A. Treasurer

The total bills from all funds for February 2020 was \$1,708,462.52.

Motion by Chairman Brunell to pay the bills for February 2020 in the amount of \$1,708,462.52. Seconded by Vice-Chairman Gill. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Recreation Board

Ms. Matula stated that the movies in the park have been chosen, which she listed; and that Working Dog Press has been chosen to be the new publisher of the Township Newsletter. Further details appear in the February Recreation Report.

C. Community Development

Mr. Martocci stated that he and Zoning Officer Duane Dellecker met with representatives of the Parkland Fields Driveway issues and the deadline for property owners to take required action has been moved from April 30th to May 31st. Several residents spoke including Marty Hetrick and Jeff Graves, who represented the homeowners. Additionally, Mr. Martocci stated that the Planning Commission reviewed five applications in February, the Zoning Hearing Board heard three appeals, and the Building Code Board of Appeals heard one appeal. The department issued 112 permits in February, 61 of which were building permits, and an additional 11 permits for new structures. Further details appear in the February Community Development Report.

D. Engineer

Mr. Alban stated that the Rt. 100 Traffic Adaptive project has been installed and is currently operating in adaptive mode; however, two of the eight radar units were malfunctioning and sent back for repair/replacement. Once they are replaced a field meeting with PennDOT will take place which will start a 30-day test period; after its conclusion PennDOT will issue a Letter of Acceptance. Regarding the Ambassador Drive parking issue, a parking restriction was previously adopted by Ordinance in 2014 and the Public Works Department has erected No Parking signage. Further details appear in the February Engineer's Report.

E. Police

Chief Colón stated that Body Worn Cameras have been deployed among all personnel and the initial impression is that they are working very well. Also, the Township did receive a \$30,000.00

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grant to deploy an app which provides a wide variety of services and information for police officers and their families pertaining to their physical and mental well-being. The app is in the process of being customized for the department and should be ready for deployment soon. Further details appear in the February UMTDP Report.

790	Total Calls for Service
23	Reportable MVAs
48	Non-Reportable MVAs
7	Private Property MVAs
19	Criminal Arrest (Misdemeanor/Felony)
11	Non-Traffic Citations (Summary)
250	Traffic Citations
13	Parking Tickets
120	Written Warnings
64	False Alarms
0	Arsons
1	Assaults
0	Burglaries
17	Disturbing the Peace
9	Drug/Alcohol Violations
14	DUI Offenses
9	Fraud Crimes
0	Homicides
0	Motor Vehicle Thefts
0	Robberies
0	Sex Offenses
6	Thefts
1	Vandalism/Criminal Mischiefs
2	Vehicle Break-In/Thefts
0	Weapon Offenses



F. Fire/EMS

Mr. Grim stated that Parkland High School had their 3rd Annual Job/Volunteer Recruitment Fair on February 27th and the Bureau of Fire had a table set up. Further details appear in the February Bureau of Fire Director's Report.

G. Public Works

Nothing to add. Further details appear in the February Public Works Report.

H. Secretary

Mr. Sostarecz stated that in addition to the Executive Session announced at the beginning of the meeting, the Board of Supervisors conducted Executive Sessions on February 12, 2020 at 2:00 p.m., the topic was personnel; and on February 26, 2020 at 4:00 p.m., the topic was potential litigation. He additionally stated that Special Meetings of the BOS have been scheduled at each of the Township's Volunteer Fire Departments in the coming months which would be advertised.

I. Manager

Manager Ibach stated that the lease with the Commonwealth of PA for the PSP Barracks will be expiring at the end of the year and inspections have begun to make sure the building is up to par prior to another term beginning. He may be coming to the board in the future with

recommendations for repair. Also, that has been made aware that Nestle Waters, through internal repairs and controls, has been able to save 19 million gallons of water.

J. Solicitor

Nothing to add.

K. Board

i. Chairman Brunell

Nothing to add.

ii. Vice-Chairman Gill

Requested an update on Madeline's restaurant parking issue. Mr. Martocci provided a brief update.

iii. Supervisor Rader

Nothing to add.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT/COURTESY OF THE FLOOR

Sunny Ghai, of Lehigh Court, read a prepared statement regarding the Zoning Hearing Board's perceived incorrect decisions in the past, including both the Americold application and proposed hotel on Route 100.

County Executive Philips Armstrong spoke regarding the 2020 Census which would be beginning soon.

X. ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, **Chairman Brunell made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:11 p.m. Seconded by Supervisor Rader. The motion passed unanimously.**

Submitted by:



Kalman A. Sostarecz, Jr.
Township Secretary



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