

PALMER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
March 6, 2017
7:00 PM
GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING

The Palmer Township Board of Supervisors held a general business meeting on Monday, March 13, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. with the following in attendance: Chairman David Colver, Vice-Chairman Kendall Mitchell and Supervisors Ann-Marie Panella and Jeffrey Young. Robert Smith was absent. Also in attendance were the Township Manager, Public Services Director, Police Chief and the Township Solicitor.

1. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Disbursement of Funds - March 6, 2017

INFORMATION

The Board needs to approve/disapprove the disbursement of funds for March 6, 2017.

Motion: Approve, Moved by Supervisor Kendall Mitchell, Seconded by Supervisor Ann-Marie Panella. Passed. 4-0.

Supervisors voting Ayes: Colver, Mitchell, Panella, Young

Supervisors Absent: Smith

B. Invoices Against Palmer Township Sewer Line Escrow Fund

INFORMATION

The Board needs to approve/disapprove the invoices against the Palmer Township Sewer Line Escrow Fund.

Motion: Approve, Moved by Supervisor Jeffrey Young, Seconded by Supervisor Ann-Marie Panella. Passed. 4-0.

Supervisors voting Ayes: Colver, Mitchell, Panella, Young

Supervisors Absent: Smith

3. OLD BUSINESS

A. Resolution Approving the Intermunicipal Transfer of Pennsylvania Liquor License Number R-11631

INFORMATION

At the Board of Supervisors meeting of February 13, 2017, the Board considered the

proposed intermunicipal transfer of liquor license number R-11631. The Solicitor's Office had revised the proposed resolution. At the March 6, 2017 meeting the Board asked to have additional revisions made to the resolution. Board action is requested to review and authorize the execution of the resolution.

DISCUSSION

Colver said this was before us last week. It is the liquor license for the Wing Stop at the 25th Street Shopping Center. We had asked the Solicitor to add a few stipulations to the resolution and it is now ready for approval tonight.

Motion: Approve, Moved by Supervisor Jeffrey Young, Seconded by Supervisor Kendall Mitchell. Passed. 4-0.

Supervisors voting Ayes: Colver, Mitchell, Panella, Young

Supervisors Absent: Smith

4. NEW BUSINESS

A. Northwood Farms Planning Module

INFORMATION

The Board needs to approve/disapprove the Northwood Farms Planning Module.

DISCUSSION

Colver said this is a typical planning module postcard exemption before us and it has all the supporting documentation. Colver said it states they have the capacity needed to handle sewer for the project.

Motion: Approve, Moved by Supervisor Ann-Marie Panella, Seconded by Supervisor Jeffrey Young. Passed. 4-0.

Supervisors voting Ayes: Colver, Mitchell, Panella, Young

Supervisors Absent: Smith

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Ed Krusman, 20 Aberdeen Drive, said he is new to his development and he is wondering if the new development on Van Buren Road was already approved. Colver said it is working its way through the Township Planning Commission now. Once it makes its way through planning, they will make recommendations to this Board. Krusman asked about the traffic from the development, will there be traffic signals, etc. Colver said that will all be discussed through the planning process.

Wayne Conrad, Moor Drive, said he saw a "for sale" sign on the farmland along Van Buren Road and Newlins Mill Road and asked for an update on that sale. Colver said we haven't seen any formal application for the property yet. Colver said over the past three to five years

we've seen three to four interested in it.

6. REPORTS

Solicitor

Bruno had an extension agreement for Parkview Estates, Phase 7, requesting time until June 30, 2017 to complete their improvements. Bruno said the motion would be to authorize the Chairman to sign the extension agreement.

Charles Diefenderfer, 2918 Hay Terrace, said awhile ago the State was trolling deadlines for extensions. Has this been extended. Bruno said no.

Motion: Approve, Moved by Supervisor Ann-Marie Panella, Seconded by Supervisor Kendall Mitchell. Passed. 4-0.

Supervisors voting Ayes: Colver, Mitchell, Panella, Young

Supervisors Absent: Smith

Bruno had an extension agreement for Duke Realty. Bruno said they are near the end of their public improvements and are requesting an extension of time until July 31, 2017.

Motion: Approve, Moved by Supervisor Jeffrey Young, Seconded by Supervisor Kendall Mitchell. Passed. 4-0.

Supervisors voting Ayes: Colver, Mitchell, Panella, Young

Supervisors Absent: Smith

Bruno had an extension request from Shammy Shine Car Wash requesting an extension until May 1, 2017, to be able to complete the plan conditions, post security and enter into a public improvements agreement. Bruno said their Project Engineer recently left for a position with the FBI and they need some additional time.

Motion: Approve, Moved by Supervisor Jeffrey Young, Seconded by Supervisor Ann-Marie Panella. Passed. 4-0.

Supervisors voting Ayes: Colver, Mitchell, Panella, Young

Supervisors Absent: Smith

Bruno had one real estate item for executive session.

Township Manager

Christman said at our last meeting the Board approved an agreement with the Lehigh

Valley Health Network for them to conduct a metering study related to their project in Lower Nazareth Township. Christman said he met with Jeff Cantwell this past Friday and they will begin the study the week of March 13th. You may be seeing a red truck driving around our township while conducting the study and they will be accompanied by our Sewer Department staff. Christman said he will put the information on the website so residents are also aware of the study. The study will take one year to complete.

Christman had one real estate item for executive session.

Police Chief

Chief Palmer had one legal matter for executive session.

Supervisors

Colver said the Fire Department received the final plans for the two new trucks and they will be reviewing them this week and expect to be able to sign off by the end of the week. Delivery should still be on for October.

Colver said the Fire Department is also planning to host the Pink Heals Tour for Cancer Awareness on July 15, 2017. It is a nationwide tour and they intend to host it at the High School due to the size of the event.

Ed Krusman asked if the two new trucks are replacement trucks or new. Colver said we are replacing two trucks and he gave Mr. Krusman the history on the sale of existing trucks and the financing that has already taken place for the new vehicles.

Supervisor Panella said this past Saturday she attended an Eagle Scout Court of Honor for Nicholas Hamel. His project was to put half-mile markers along our 12-mile bike path and he gave the Fire Department/Police Department and Suburban EMS the coordinates for them so they can use them, in emergency situations in the future.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:21 p.m. with two real estate and one legal matter for executive session.

Motion: Adjourn, Moved by Supervisor Kendall Mitchell, Seconded by Supervisor Ann-Marie Panella. Passed. 4-0.

Supervisors voting Ayes: Colver, Mitchell, Panella, Young

Supervisors Absent: Smith

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher S. Christman
Township Manager