

**TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**September 10, 2015  
7:30 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL        ZAPPONE, SPIEGELMAN, SANCHEZ, MYERS, MARKMAN,  
KALINOSKI, SCHREIBER, BOWMAN, DiPLACIDO, FARREN,  
GILLESPIE, HECKER, JONES, KLINE, LUKER**

**Township Manager LEFEVRE  
Assistant Manager WEHMEYER  
Township Tax Collector BLUMENTHAL  
Township Solicitor CLARKE  
Chief of Police KELLY  
Finance Director BARRON  
Township Engineer POWERS  
Director of Code Enforcement MATTEO  
Director of Parks & Recreation WENDELL  
Director of Public Works MICCIOLO  
Director of W.W.T.P. WRIGLEY  
Fire Marshal CLARK  
Community Development Director STROTHER**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**A MOMENT OF SILENCE IN HONOR OF 9/11.**

**PRESENTATIONS:**

**100<sup>th</sup> Year Celebration to Mrs. Lucy May Selby  
Call on Commissioner Jones**

**Eagle Scout Collin M. Quigley  
Call on Commissioner Gillespie**

**Retired Detectives John Lyon, Tony Ammaturo and Tony DiSandro  
Call on Chief Kelly**

**Swearing in of two new Police Officers by District Justice Juanita Price  
Daniel Prior and  
Nathan Walters  
Call on Chief Kelly**

**Promotion to the Rank of Sergeant – Detective Shawn Nisbet  
Call on Chief Kelly**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Board of Commissioners Meeting of August 13, 2015.**

**Thomas Bowman, Director**  
**Stephen Kalinoski, Asst. Director**  
**John Spiegelman**  
**Dennis Zappone**  
**Tom Hecker**

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**(1) PUBLIC WORKS**

**PW1. 1500/1600/1700 Blocks - Old Welsh Road - Sanitary Sewer System**

**Motion to enter into contract with Cardno-BCM in the amount not to exceed \$90,750.00; to prepare Engineering plans to sewer the 1500/1600/1700 blocks of Old Welsh Road; to be funded from Sanitary Sewer Retained Earnings.**

**PW2. Emergency Repair Rail Road Tie Wall Behind the Home at 583 Baeder Road**

**Motion to approve the Engineering Department to hire a contractor to repair the rail road tie wall behind the home at 583 Baeder Road, at a cost not to exceed \$20,000. To be funded from surplus funds from the 2014 Bond Issue.**

**PW3. Montgomery County Snow and Ice Agreement**

**Motion to have the proper officials enter into an agreement with Montgomery County for Snow and Ice removal on Easton Road from Cheltenham border to Old Welsh Road.**

**PW4. Resolution No. 15-032 - PennDOT Snow and Ice Agreement**

**Motion to adopt Resolution No. 15-032 authorizing the proper officials to enter into a contract with PennDOT for snow and ice removal on PennDOT Highways for the years 2015-2020.**

**Benjamin Sanchez, Director**  
**Michael Markman, Asst. Director**  
**Jimmy DiPlacido**  
**Peggy Myers**  
**Carol Gillespie**

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**(2) CODE ENFORCEMENT AND LAND DEVELOPMENT**

**CE1. Land Development LD-15-04 – Penn State University – 1001 Old York Road**

**Motion to approve the Land Development application of Penn State University, owner of the property located at 1001 Old York Road. The applicant seeks approval to demolish the existing improvements on the site and construct a multi-story building for use as student apartment housing. The structure is proposed to house 400 residents. This project was subject to a zoning text amendment approved by the Board of Commissioners on June 24, 2015. The property is zoned in the (PB) Planned Business District in Ward No. 7 of the Township of Abington.**

**This motion is subject to the following conditions:**

- 1. The items listed in the Staff Review letter dated July 29, 2015 are to be taken under consideration by the Board of Commissioners.**
- 2. The applicant has submitted an ACT 537 Exemption application for the new EDU and projected discharge of 15,519 gallons per day. Abington Township uses a flow rate of 265 per EDU and (55) EDU's will be required for this proposal.**
- 3. a. In the direction from the Campus to the Apartment on Huntingdon Road (between Woodland Road and Susquehanna Road), Penn State will install signs directing students to cross at the traffic light at the intersection of Old York Road and Susquehanna Road.**  
**b. Penn State will install two "No-Pedestrian Crossing" signs, one on the northwest corner and one on the southwest corner, at the intersection of Huntingdon Road and Susquehanna Road.**  
**c. In the direction from the Apartments to the Campus on Old York Road, Penn State will install signs directing students to cross at the traffic light at the Susquehanna Road intersection.**  
**d. All will be subject to PennDOT approval, where required.**
- 4. The applicant shall comply with Traffic Impact Assessment Review #1, prepared by Traffic Planning and Design, Inc., dated September 8, 2015, attached.**
- 5. The applicant shall even the pavement and stripe the crosswalk at the intersection of Old York Road and Rydal Way.**

**This motion is subject to the following waivers:**

- 1. Waiver from Section 146-11.A – Property Identification Plan**
- 2. Waiver from Section 146-11.B – Existing Features Plan**
- 3. Waiver from Section 146-11.J – Recreational Facilities Plan**
- 4. Waiver from Section 146-11.K – Planning Module**

**CE2.        Public Hearing Resolution No. 15-026 – Transfer of Liquor License No. R-15994 Dino’s Backstage, LLC – 285, 287 and 289 N. Keswick Avenue**

**Call on Staff:        Solicitor Michael Clarke**

**Comments:            Commissioners**

**Comments:            Public**

**Motion to adopt Resolution No. 15-026 for the transfer of Liquor License No. R-15994 for use by Dino’s Backstage, LLC - 285, 287 and 289 N. Keswick Avenue, Glenside, PA.**

**CE3.        Public Hearing Resolution No. 15-027 – Transfer of Liquor License No. R-17136 C & D Brewing Company of Huntingdon Valley**

**Call on Staff:        Solicitor Michael Clarke**

**Comments:            Commissioners**

**Comments:            Public**

**Motion to adopt Resolution No. 15-027 for the transfer of Liquor License No. R-17136 for use by C & D Brewing Company of Huntingdon Valley, LLC at 785 Huntingdon Pike, Huntingdon Valley, PA.**

Lori Schreiber, Director  
Jimmy DiPlacido, Asst. Director  
Stephen Kalinoski  
Thomas Bowman  
Thomas Farren, Sr.

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**(3) PUBLIC SAFETY**

**PS1. Ordinance No. 3003 – To Amend Chapter 156 (Vehicles and Traffic), Article II – (Traffic Regulations), Section 14 (Stop Intersections), Article III (Parking Regulations), Section 25 (Parking Prohibited At All Times); No Parking Between Signs; No Parking Here To Corner; Parking Prohibited Except Certain Hours; No Stopping Or Standing and Section 28 Special Purpose Parking Zones**

**Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 3003 amending Chapter 156 (Vehicles and Traffic), Article II (Traffic Regulations), Section 14 (Stop Intersections) and Article III (Parking Regulations), Section 25 (Parking Prohibited At All Times; No Parking Between Signs; No Parking Here To Corner; Parking Prohibited Except Certain Hours; No Stopping Or Standing) and Section 28 – (Special Purpose Parking Zones).**

**PS2. Sobriety Checkpoint Grant**

**Motion to authorize Township officials to accept a grant award from the Bureau of Highway Safety and Traffic Engineering in the amount of \$45,000.00 with the Township's matching portion approximately \$460.00.**

**PS3. Public Hearing – Red Light Camera Contract Extension – GATSO USA, Inc.**

**Call on Staff: Chief Kelly**

**Comments: Commissioners**

**Comments: Public**

**Motion to consider the extension of the Red Light Camera agreement with GATSO USA, Inc. for one three-year term running through September 30, 2018.**

**John Spiegelman, Director  
Thomas Farren, Sr., Asst. Director  
Lori Schreiber  
Benjamin Sanchez  
Lawrence Jones, Jr.**

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**(4) PUBLIC AFFAIRS**

**PA1. The Hiring of Carter Van Dyke & Associates for Briar Bush Master Site Plan Project**

**Motion to approve the hiring of Carter Van Dyke & Associates to perform all of the functions necessary to complete a master site plan for the Briar Bush Nature Center for \$29,980.**

**PA2. Resolution No. 15-030 – Fair Housing**

**Motion to adopt Resolution No. 15-030. Annual Fair Housing resolution to further Fair Housing practices within the Township of Abington.**

**PA3. Substantial Amendment to the Community Development Block Grant**

**Approve the motion to advertise the public hearing on the Substantial Amendment to the Community Development Block Grant scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, November 12, 2015 in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Board Room of the Abington Township Administration Building, located at 1176 Old York Road, Abington**

**PA4. PA Child Protection Services Law Funding**

**Motion to authorize the expenditure of up to a maximum of \$6,000 from the Contingency Account to cover the cost associated with processing the child abuse clearances and criminal record checks of Township employees and volunteers, as mandated by the amended PA Child Protection Services Law.**

PA5. *Donation of Township Property – 1425 Highland Avenue*

DELETED

**Steven Kline, Director  
Tom Hecker, Asst. Director  
Lawrence Jones, Jr.  
Wayne Luker  
Peggy Myers**

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**(5) FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**FC1. Investments**

**Motion to approve investments for the month of July as previously circulated to the Board. It was noted that investments for the month totaled \$1,060,000.00. Interest rate yields ranged from 0.800% to 1.150%.**

**FC2. Expenditures/Salaries and Wages**

**Motion to:**

- (A) Approve the July expenditures as previously circulated to the Board, in the amount of \$5,814,989.67 and salaries and wages in the amount of \$1,852,999.54.**
- (B) Authorize the proper officials to sign vouchers in payment of bills and contracts as they mature through the month of October 2015.**

**(Motion and Roll Call)**

**FC3. Training and Conference Expenses**

**Motion to approve the Advance and Travel Expense activity for July 2015 as previously circulated to the Board. Advance and Travel Expense reports were \$0.00 and \$942.07 respectively.**

**Seven-month expenses totaled \$26,463.29.**

**FC4. Clearing Fund/Deferred Revenue and Expense/Petty Cash**

**Motion to approve the Clearing Fund, the Deferred Revenue/Expense activity and Petty Cash balances for the month of July as previously circulated to the Board.**

**July Petty Cash balances previously circulated to the Board.**

**Clearing fund receipts and disbursements for the month of July 2015 were \$19,273.72 and (\$2,538.30), respectively.**

**Deferred Revenue/Expense receipts and disbursements for the month of July 2015 were \$0.00 and (\$0.00) respectively.**

**Tom Hecker, Director  
Steven Kline, Asst. Director  
Peggy Myers**

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**(6) PENSION COMMITTEE**

**PENS1. Resolution No. 15-031 - Minimum Municipal Obligation - Pension Plans**

**Motion to adopt Resolution No. 15-031 recognizing that the Township's minimum municipal funding obligation for the calendar year 2016 with respect to the Municipal Employee and Police Pension Plans, is \$782,023 and \$1,139,264, respectively.**