

**HATFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

July 28, 2021

7:30 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Zipfel called the Hatfield Township Board of July 28, 2021 meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

President Zipfel asked Mr. Bibro to call the roll. Present at the meeting were President Tom Zipfel, Vice President Bob Rodgers, Commissioner Jerry Andris, Commissioner Greg Lees and Commissioner Deborah Zimmerman. Also in attendance were Township Manager Aaron Bibro, Solicitor John Iannozzi, Township Planner Ken Amey, Township Engineer Bryan McAdam and Police Chief William Tierney.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The recipients of the Officer William Chapman Scholarship Award led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Lees made a motion to approve the agenda and Commissioner Vice President Rodgers seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

Prior to citizens' comments, Commissioner President Zipfel announced that the Board met in Executive Session before tonight's meeting to discuss personnel.

V. CITIZENS' COMMENTS

There were no citizen's comments.

VI. CONSENT ITEMS

Commissioner Andris made a motion to approve the consent items listed below. Commissioner Zimmerman seconded the motion and the motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

- A. Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting – *June 16, 2021*
- B. HTMA Monthly Budget Report – *May 11 and June 8, 2021*
- C. NPWA Meeting Minutes – *May 25, 2021*
- D. Treasurer’s Report – *July*
- E. **Bills Payable:**
 - A. Paid Bills – \$46,869.45
 - B. Unpaid Bills – \$1,821,272.23

VII. SPECIAL ITEMS

- A. Chapman Scholarships –The Hatfield Township PBA- Chapman Scholarship Awards were presented to Allyson Beldham, Kaelan Daly, Casey Harper and Dhara Patel

Lieutenant Jay Ciarllo introduced the PBA sponsored William J. Chapman Scholarship Awards. Detective Richard Hoffner, Detective Dan Tinneny, Detective Bill Steinberg and Officer Brandi McCoy welcomed four outstanding students from North Penn High School, Christopher Dock High School and Souderton Area High School. Each student received their scholarship award and President Zipfel congratulated them for their achievements.

- B. Commissioner President Zipfel introduced The Philadelphians, who are Philadelphia’s exclusive minor league cricket franchise.

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. **Planning and Zoning Committee – Vice President Rodgers**

There was no report.

- B. **Public Works Committee – Commissioner Lees**

Commissioner Lees provided an update on the Public Works Department and some recent projects in the township.

- C. **Parks and Recreation Committee – Commissioner Zimmerman**

Commissioner Zimmerman advised the Board of some upcoming parks and recreation events that will be held in the township.

- D. **Public Safety Committee –President Zipfel**

There was no report.

E. Finance Committee – Commissioner Andris

Commissioner Andris discussed the Turn 14 land expansion.

IX. ACTION ITEMS

**A. Turn 14 Expansion – Campus Drive Land Development
Resolution #21-25**

Commissioner Vice President Rodgers made a motion to approve Resolution #21-25. Commissioner Andris seconded the motion and the motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

B. Lehigh Avenue Movie Lots – Two Parcels – Agreement of Sale

Commissioner Lees made a motion to approve an agreement of sale regarding two parcels on Lehigh Avenue. Commissioner Zimmerman seconded the motion and the motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

C. Payments #11&12 – Cowpath/Orvilla Realignment - \$190,256.14

Commissioner Andris made a motion to approve payments #11 and #12 in the amount of \$190,256.14 for the Cowpath/Orvilla realignment project. Commissioner Vice President Rodgers seconded the motion and the motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

D. Early Retirement Incentive – Ordinance Amendment

Commissioner Lees made a motion to advertise an ordinance amendment regarding an early retirement incentive. Commissioner Andris seconded the motion and the motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

E. Lease Agreement – Garden of Health – Clemens Park

Commissioner President Zipfel made a motion to approve a lease agreement with Garden of Health regarding utilizing space at Clemens Park. Commissioner Zimmerman seconded the motion and the motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

F. Liberty Bell Trail Grant Opportunity and Route Discussion

**G. Grant Application – Design for Welsh/Orvilla Improvements
Resolution #21-26**

Commissioner Lees made a motion to approve Resolution #21-26. Commissioner Vice President Rodgers seconded the motion and the motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

X. TOWNSHIP STAFF REPORTS

Mr. Bibro discussed the TASA grant opportunity regarding the Liberty Bell Trail.

XI. SOLICITOR'S REPORT

There was no report.

XII. CITIZENS' COMMENTS

There were no citizens' comments.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Vice President Rodgers made a motion for adjournment and Commissioner Lees seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 5-0 vote and the meeting was adjourned at 8:42 p.m.