

ABINGTON TOWNSHIP

JULY 8, 2021



**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**



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A G E N D A
July 8, 2021
7:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Consider a motion to approve the Minutes from the Board of Commissioners Committee of the Whole Meeting of June 10, 2021.

PRESENTATIONS

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Motion to reconsider at the September 9, 2021 Committee of the Whole, a Resolution amending Resolution 20-039, a Resolution setting forth agenda policy and procedures for meetings of the Board of Commissioners and its Committees. *(Mr. Hecker)*

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Consider a motion to Waive the Request For Proposal requirement and to engage Witt O'Brien as consultants to the Township to assure compliance with the American Recovery Plan Act and Authorize the Township Manager to execute the appropriate engagement letter and to immediately engage and work with the consultant. *(Mr. Manfredi)*
- b. Motion to consider the request of Penn State University (PSU) to amend the Zoning Ordinance of the Township of Abington, providing for and regulation a college/university campus use in the CS Community Service District and amending the official Zoning Map of Abington Township, by rezoning three parcels from the residential low density (R-1) district to the community service (CS) district. *(Mr. Hecker)*
- c. Motion. to consider approving the second Amended Land Development Application LD-21-05 -Rydal Waters allowing for Pickleball Courts. *(Mr. Hassan)*
- d. Motion to consider a Resolution of an offer of dedication on 646, 650, 700, 702, 706, 722, 730, 740, 748, and 760 Washington Lane and, 1404 and 1405 Autumn Road. *(Mr. Clark)*

- e. Consider a motion authorizing the Township Manager and Solicitor to research and prepare an amendment to the Township's open burning ordinance permitting recreational firepits. *(Mr. Manfredi for Commissioner DiPlacido)*
- f. Motion to authorize the creation of a Comprehensive Recreation, Park and Open Space plan advisory committee. *(Mr. Vahey)*
- g. Consider approving the installation of stop signs as experimental on Cedar Lane at Hamel Avenue, Cricket Avenue at Jefferson Avenue, Grovania Avenue at Penbryn Avenue and Jefferson Avenue at Maple Avenue *(Lt. Ed Quinn)*
- h. Consider a motion authorizing advertisement of an Ordinance amending Chapter 156- "Vehicles and Traffic", Article II - "Traffic Regulations," Section 9 - "One Way Highways Established," Section 11 - "Turns at Intersections," 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," Section 28 - "Special Purpose Parking Zones" to add One-Way signs on Edge Hill Road, Left and Right Turn prohibited signs on Northbound and Southbound Bradfield Road, Stop signs on Crescent Avenue at Fortune Road, Seminole Avenue at Montgomery Avenue, Woodlyn Avenue at Menlo Avenue, Silver Avenue at Parkview Avenue, Hunter Road at Woodland Road and Amity Road, no parking signs on the 2500 block of Rubicam Avenue, no parking here to corner signs on Cleveland Avenue, Cypress Avenue, Chester Avenue and Corinthian Avenue, No Parking Between signs on Miriam Avenue, Handicapped Parking signs on Shelmire Street and Clemens Avenue. *(Lt. Ed Quinn)*
- I. Motion to authorize the Board President to confirm the nominations for the Roslyn Fire Company Special Fire Police. *(Mr. McAneney)*
- j. Consider a motion to approve a Resolution authorizing the extension of the agreement for recycling services with J.P. Mascaro & Sons, Dated November 20, 2021, for an additional period of six (6) months with certain price changes for certain services. *(Mr. Jones)*
- k. Consider a motion to adopt a resolution on a policy for appointments to the various Boards, Committees, Commissions and Councils. *(Ms. Carswell)*

ADJOURNMENT

BOARD POLICY ON AGENDA ITEMS

For Information Purposes Only

Board President Announcements

This item on the Board of Commissioners Agenda is reserved for the Board President to make announcements that are required under law for public disclosure, such as announcing executive sessions, or for matters of public notice.

Public Comment

Public Comment on Agenda Items is taken at the beginning of regularly scheduled Public Meetings prior to any votes being cast. When recognized by the presiding Officer, the commenter will have three minutes to comment on agenda items at this first public comment period. All other public comment(s) not specific to an agenda item, if any, are to be made near the end of the public meeting prior to adjournment. Public comment on agenda items at regularly scheduled Board of Commissioner Committee meetings will be after a matter has been moved and seconded and upon call of the Chair for public comment.

Presentations

Should the Board of Commissioners have an issue or entity that requires time to present an issue to the Board, that is more than an oral description relating to an agenda item under consideration, The Board may have that matter listed under Presentations. If nothing is listed under presentations, then there is no business to conduct in that manner.

Consent Agenda

Items of business and matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and non-controversial and will be enacted by one motion and one vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired by Board of Commissioner Members, that item is to be identified by the Board member and will be identified and removed from the Consent Agenda, and will be considered separately at the appropriate place on the Agenda.

Unfinished Business

Items for consideration as unfinished business are matters that have been considered for action at a public Board Meeting and have not been tabled to a date certain or voted upon.

New Business

Items for consideration as new business are matters that have been considered for action at the Board Committee Meeting. It is Board practice to not introduce new business at Board Committee Meetings.

BOARD POLICY ON PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

For Information Purposes Only

The Township shall conduct business in accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Laws governing the conduct of public meetings and only establish guidelines that shall govern public participation at meetings consistent with the law.

Each commenter shall:

- Direct their comments to the Presiding Officer;
- Speak from the podium or into a microphone designated by the presiding officer;
- State their name for the record;
- Either orally or in writing provide their address for the record;
- Have a maximum of three minutes to make their comments. Each commenter when speaking to a specific agenda item, is to keep their comments relative to that identified agenda item;
- Speak one time per agenda item;
- When commenting on non-agenda items, the commenter is to keep their comments related to matters of the Township of Abington, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania.
- State a question to the Presiding Officer after all commenters have spoken, and;
- Be seated after speaking or upon the request of the presiding officer;
- Not engage in debate, dialogue or discussion;
- Not disrupt the public meeting, and;
- Exercise restraint and sound judgement in avoiding the use of profane language, and the maligning of others.