

ABINGTON TOWNSHIP

FEBRUARY 8, 2024



**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING**



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A G E N D A **February 8, 2024** **7:00 PM**

There are three ways for the public to participate in the meeting: in-person, online or by phone. Residents who wish to attend in person can do so in the Abington Township Board Room located at 1176 Old York Road, Abington, PA 19001, 2nd Floor. Alternative means of public participation are offered for those who do not wish to or are unable to attend the meetings in person. Residents who wish to participate in the meeting remotely can access the meeting online by a computer, iPad, iPhone, or Android at <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88216803878>. This link will enable residents to hear the meeting, see presentations, and ask questions. There will be no video interaction capabilities. Residents, who are unable to join online, can listen to and participate in the meeting by calling 1-929-436-2866 and entering the meeting ID number 882-1680-3878 when prompted.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL, BRODSKY, ROTHMAN, DIPLACIDO, LANEY-MARTIN, BROWNE, WINEGRAD, HENRY, ZAPPONE, SPIEGELMAN, BOLE, SCHREIBER, BOWMAN, VAHEY, HECKER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

BOARD PRESIDENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Motion to approve the Minutes from the Board of Commissioners Organization Meeting of January 2, 2024 and the Regular Meeting of January 11, 2024.
- b. BOC-01-020824 Motion to adopt additional Resolution No. 24-008, Resolution No. 24-009, and Resolution No. 24-010 for collection of the Local Services Tax.
- c. BOC-02-020824 Motion to adopt Resolution #24-011 affirming it's policy for purchases involving trade in or exchange.

- d. BOC-03-020824 Motion to advertise Traffic Safety Ordinance amending an ordinance 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 - Specialized Parking signs to add the following: a stop sign westbound and eastbound on Woodrow Avenue at the intersection of Tennis Avenue; westbound and eastbound on Rothley Avenue at Triebel Avenue; westbound on Fairacres Road at Washington Lane; northbound and southbound on Tennis Avenue at Jefferson Avenue; No Parking on northside on Guernsey Avenue at Old York Road and the western driveway edge of 1151 Old York Road; Sherman Avenue, eastside at Rockledge Avenue and point 150' north; and Handicapped Parking signs at 1119 Hall Avenue; Easton Road in front of Roslyn VFW; and remove Handicapped Parking sign at 2123 Curtis Avenue.

- e. BOC-04-020824 Motion to ratify and approve the agreement between the Township of Abington and the Abington Township Police Department Lieutenants, and ratifying and allowing the current qualifying DROP participants to extend their DROP period in accordance with the ATPA CBA and ratifying and approving the terms and conditions of employment of the Chief of Police and adopt Resolution 24-014.

- f. BOC-05-020824 Motion to approve Change Order No: 1 from Clipper Pipe and Services, Inc. in the amount of \$7,436.30 for the Abington Township Building HVAC upgrade project.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

- a. BOC-06-020824 Motion to accept Ward 10, Commissioner Jessica Carswell's resignation from the Board of Commissioners effective February 16, 2024.

- b. BOC-07-020824 Motion to award the Abington Inclusive Park and Playground Bid to MECO Construction in the amount of \$1,951,491 and appropriate \$416,104 from the American Rescue Plan Act Capital Item, ARPA-Culture-Recreation and Parks Infrastructure Investment.

- c. BOC-08-020824 Motion to refer the Galman requested DRAFT Zoning Map Amendment Ordinance to the Township Planning Commission and the Montgomery County Planning Commission (MCPC) for review and comment.

- d. BOC-09-020824 Motion to approve the Preliminary/Final Major Land Development Plan for LD-23-04 - 640 Cedar Road (Hopewell Vet) and adopt Resolution #24-012.
- e. BOC-10-020824 Motion to approve LD-23-05 - 1216 & 1236 Washington Lane and adopt Resolution No. 24-013.
- f. BOC-11-020824 Motion to approve the Baseball Field Agreement, Abington Township Facilities between the Township of Abington and Manor College.
- g. BOC-12-020824 Motion to approve settlement agreement with Cheltenham Township for cost-sharing related to the sanitary sewer Interceptor A project and authorize staff and the Solicitor to take all necessary steps in accordance with the agreement.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

- a. FC-01-020824 Motion to approve the December 2023 expenditures in the amount of \$3,967,109.97 and salaries and wages in the amount of \$3,671,999.25 and authorizing the proper officials to sign and approve invoices and supporting documentation in payment of bills and contracts as they mature through the month of March 2024. ([Click here to view supporting information for expenditures in December 2023](#))

(Motion and Roll Call)

PUBLIC COMMENT

ADJOURNMENT

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.