

ABINGTON TOWNSHIP

DECEMBER 12, 2024



**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING**



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A G E N D A **December 12, 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, YOUNG-GERTZ, 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 Special Budget Meeting of November 7, 2024, and the Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting of November 14, 2024.
- b. BOC-01-121224 Motion to approve the cable franchise agreement between the Township of Abington and Verizon Pennsylvania, LLC.
- c. BOC-02-121224 Motion to adopt Traffic Safety Ordinance No. 2221 amending Chapter 156 - "Vehicles and Traffic," Article II - "Traffic Regulations," Section 14 - "Stop Intersections" to add the following restrictions: Stop sign on Elk Street, Southbound, at the intersection of Geneva Street; Stop sign on

Washington Lane, Northbound and Southbound, at the intersection of Fairacres Road; and Section 25 - "Parking Prohibited During Certain Hours" to add the following restrictions: No Parking M-F 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. on Highland Avenue, East Side, from 961 thru 1039 Highland Avenue.

- d. BOC-03-121224 Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2222 amending the code of the Township of Abington at Part II [General Legislation], Chapter 162 [Zoning], by amending and restating Article XXI [use regulations] to revise the definition of Indoor Recreation.
- e. BOC-04-121224 Motion to authorize advertisement of an Ordinance amending the Code of the Township of Abington to Repeal Chapter 127 - "Recycling".
- f. BOC-05-121224 Motion to authorize advertisement of an Ordinance amending Chapter 92- "Garbage, Storage and Refuse," Article VII- "Separation, Storage, and Collection of Recyclable Materials," at Section 92-40 - "Definitions," Section 92-41 - "Residential Separation and Preparation Requirements," Section 92-42 - "Collection from Residence," and Section 92-44 - "Multifamily, Commercial, Retail and Institutional Requirements".
- g. BOC-06-121224 Motion to approve, as advertised and approved by the Montgomery County Consortium, Wilson of Wallingford as the Township's heating oil provider at the cost of \$3.995 per gallon and authorize the Township Manager to execute the contract.
- h. BOC-07-121224 Motion to appoint Keiser Giordano CPAs, PC as the accounting firm to perform Financial Audits of the five (5) ATFD Fire Companies and prepare the corresponding Financial Statements and Tax Returns for FY2024, FY2025 and FY2026.
- i. BOC-08-121224 Motion to appoint Professional Health Services, Inc. (PHS) as the vendor to provide annual NFPA 1582 compliant physicals and stress testing for the members of the Abington Township Fire Department for FY2025, FY2026 and FY2027.
- j. BOC-09-121224 Motion to approve an extension of term for Salem Baptist Church PY2021 CDBG Subrecipient Agreement.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

- a. BOC-10-121224 Motion to appoint _____ to fill the unexpired term of Tax

Collector, effective January 1, 2025.

- b. BOC-11-121224 Motion to appoint _____ to serve as Treasurer, effective January 1, 2025.
- c. BOC-12-121224 Motion to hire the next four (4) qualified candidates from the 2024 Civil Service Eligibility list.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

- a. FC-01-121224 Motion to adopt Resolution No. 24-040 for the proposed CDBG-CV amendments as part of the PY2019 CDBG Annual Action Plan.
- b. FC-02-121224 Motion to authorize the Budget Transfers and supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year 2024.
- c. FC-03-121224 Motion to adopt Resolution No. 24-041 authorizing the disposition of certain Finance Office records as set forth in Exhibit "A".
- d. FC-04-121224 Motion to approve the October 2024 expenditures in the amount of \$4,117,102.91 and salaries and wages in the amount of \$2,295,356.41 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 January 2025. ([Click here to view supporting information for expenditures in October 2024](#))

(Motion & Roll Call)
- e. FC-05-121224 Motion to approve change orders from Brubacher Excavating, Inc. for the Abington Jenkintown Connections Project in the amount of \$137,940.70.

PENSION COMMITTEE

- a. PC-01-121224 Motion to adopt Resolution No. 24-042 setting the Police Pension contribution rate for 2025 at five percent (5%) of compensation.

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.