

ABINGTON TOWNSHIP

DECEMBER 14, 2023



**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING**



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A G E N D A **December 14, 2023** **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, VAUGHN, BROWNE, WINEGRAD, HENRY, ZAPPONE, CARSWELL, 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 Regular Meeting of November 9, 2023.
- b. BOC-01-121423 Motion to adopt Resolution No. 22-018 authorizing the disposition of certain Tax Office records as set forth in Exhibit "A".
- c. BOC-02-121423 Motion to approve the Stipulation to Settle the matter of Noble Town Center, 901 Old York Road, v. the Montgomery Assessment Appeals ET AL and authorizing Wisler Pearlstine to sign the stipulation on behalf of the Township of Abington.

- d. BOC-03-121423 Motion to approve the escrow release request #7 for LD-16-06, 1235 Meinel Road Subdivision in the amount of \$22,223.66.
- e. BOC-04-121423 Motion to release the performance bond in the amount of \$240,603.00 for LD-11-01, McDonald's USA, LLC - 1649 - 1651 Old York Road.
- f. BOC-05-121423 Motion to approve the release of the Curbs/Sidewalk Escrow for SD-18-05, located at 625 Roslyn Avenue in the amount of \$15,100.00 and deduct remaining Land Development Escrow balance due in the amount of \$1305.00 for a total release of \$13,795.00.
- g. BOC-06-121423 Motion to approve the sale of vehicles and equipment at the next scheduled auction at J.J. Kane Auctioneers, 1402 Conshohocken Rd, Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462 as listed in the attached Exhibit.
- h. BOC-07-121423 Motion to approve an agreement authorizing the cost share of \$50,000 to the City of Philadelphia for traffic safety improvements on Shady Lane as planned and appropriated for in the FY 2023 budget.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

- a. BOC-08-121423 Motion to adopt the Ordinance 2210 Annual Budget of the Township of Abington for the Fiscal year 2024 Tax Levy and Appropriation.
- b. BOC-09-121423 Motion to approve the agreement between the Township of Abington, and the Abington Township Police Association, Inc. of the Police Department of Abington Township, a law enforcement agency to be effective January 1, 2024, and to continue in full force and effect until December 31, 2027.
- c. BOC-10-121423 Motion to approve the agreement between the Township of Abington and the Abington Per Diem Employees Union.
- d. BOC-11-121423 Motion to adopt Resolution No. 23-019 a Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of Abington Township approving a Memorandum of Agreement between Abington Township and School Crossing Guard for years 2024 and 2025.
- e. BOC-12-121423 Motion to appoint the next available candidate from the Civil Service Eligibility List to the position of Probationary Police Officer provided they successfully complete the Background, Physical and Psychological test and all entry requirements of the Municipal Police Officers' Education

and Training Commission for Act 120 Training effective March 8, 2021.

- f. BOC-13-121423 Consideration of termination of employment of Township Employee #5001, effective immediately.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

- a. FC-01-121423 Motion to approve the October 2023 expenditures in the amount of \$5,641,992.26 and salaries and wages in the amount of \$2,171,395.62 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 2024. ([Click here to view supporting information for expenditures in October 2023](#))

(Motion and Roll Call)

- b. FC-02-121423 Motion to approve the renewal of the Fidelio Dental Agreement for the period of April 2024-March 2028.
- c. FC-03-121423 Motion to authorize the Budget Transfers and supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year 2023.

- d. FC-04-121423 Motion to reaffirm Michael McHale as energy broker and enter into an energy supplier agreement for electric and natural gas at the lowest rate submitted by a reputable supplier through a bidding process.

PENSION COMMITTEE

- a. PC-01-121423 Motion to adopt Resolution No. 23-020 setting the Police Pension contribution rate for 2024 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.