

ABINGTON TOWNSHIP

OCTOBER 6, 2021



HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION



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A G E N D A **October 6, 2021** **7:00 PM**

There are three ways for the public to participate in the meeting: online, by phone, or an in-person viewing room. Residents can access the meeting online, by a computer, iPad, iPhone or Android at <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84247038479>. This link will enable residents to hear the meeting and see presentations. There will be no video capabilities. Residents, who are unable to join online, can listen to the meeting by calling 1-929-436-2866 and entering the meeting ID number 842-4703-8479 when prompted. Residents, who are unable to join online or by phone, can watch, hear, and participate in the meeting in a viewing room at the Abington Township Municipal Building located at 1176 Old York Road, Abington, PA 19001.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Consider Approving Meeting Minutes of September 8, 2021

PRESENTATION

- a. Update on Community Garden
- b. Planning for public dialogue Video of Asian-American History

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC COMMENT

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

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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.