

EAST FALLOWFIELD TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
June 12, 2018 Approved minutes
6:31 PM

Members Present

Steve Herzog, Chairman
Wilson Lambert, Vice Chairman
Joe Heffern, Member
Katja DiRado, Member

Township Staff Present

Scott Swichar, Township Manager
Lisa Valaitis, Township Secretary

1. CALL TO ORDER, SILENT MEDITATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Steve Herzog called the meeting to order at 6:31 pm.

2. DISCUSSION

A. Resolution of Commendation for Officer Gina Malarick.

Chief of Police Christopher Porter read the Resolution of Commendation presented to Officer Gina Malarick. "Whereas, the Supervisors of the Township of East Fallowfield rightfully commends those officers of the law who put the greater good ahead of their own well-being and who go beyond the normal call of duty in an effort to protect their fellow citizens and other law enforcement officers; and whereas, on November 2, 2017, Officer Malarick responded to a residence on Franklin Street in the Borough of South Coatesville to assist Officer Gober of the South Coatesville Police Department; and whereas, shortly after Officer Malarick reported to the scene, the subject involved in the incident assaulted Officer Gober causing a life-threatening injury to the head; and whereas, Officer Malarick responded without hesitation and subdued the subject and had him restrained in handcuffs in a matter of seconds despite the fact that the individual was twice her size; and whereas, for her remarkable bravery and outstanding performance, Officer Malarick received an award from the Philadelphia Crime Commission; now, therefore be it resolved, that the Supervisors of the Township of East Fallowfield honors Officer Malarick for her heroism on November 2, 2017, congratulates her for being awarded the Philadelphia Crime Commission award and duly thanks her for making East Fallowfield a better place to live, work, and raise a family." Chief Porter thanked South Coatesville's Police Chief Pierce for nominating Officer Malarick for the award. Chief Porter thanked and congratulated Officer Malarick and presented her with a framed Resolution of Commendation.

MOTION: Chairman Herzog made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-17, to honor East Fallowfield Township Police Officer Gina Malarick. Supervisor Joe Heffern seconded.

VOTE: 4-0

B. Park & Recreation Committee – Interview Applicant – Township Resident Frederick C. Weiss.

Chairman Herzog thanked Township resident Frederick Weiss for applying for the Park & Recreation Committee. He spoke about the Park & Recreation Committee's functions and goals. Township resident Mr. Weiss stated he wants to volunteer because he would like to help the Park & Recreation Committee. He stated he has a background as a former golf course superintendent. Township resident Mr. Weiss stated he has no problem attending two meetings a month. Supervisor Heffern asked Mr. Weiss what he would like to see for the park's future. Supervisor Heffern stated the Township has been discussing organizing a farmers market and the Township recently applied for a grant to build a public bathroom. Township resident Mr. Weiss said he is in favor of both. Mr. Weiss also said he was an experienced bass fisher and he spoke about the condition of the bass in the park's pond. Supervisor DiRado said the Township is interested in organizing more events in the future and she discussed the possibility of doing a horse show. Township resident Mr. Weiss also discussed his involvement as a Boy Scout Troop Master.

MOTION: Chairman Herzog made a motion to appoint Frederick C. Weiss to the Park & Recreation Committee. Supervisor Wilson Lambert seconded.

VOTE: 3-0 (Supervisor DiRado abstained.)

C. Western Chester County Regional Uniform Commercial Code Board of Appeals – Include City of Coatesville.

Chairman Herzog stated the Board of Supervisors have received confirmation that the dues will not change and there is no change in the structure of how the organization works by adding the City of Coatesville.

MOTION: Chairman Herzog made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-13, to allow the City of Coatesville to join the Western Chester County Regional UCC Board of Appeals. Supervisor Lambert seconded.

VOTE: 4-0

D. Bronson Subdivision.

1) Stormwater Management Agreement – Bronson Subdivision.

MOTION: Chairman Herzog moved that the Township execute the Stormwater Management Agreement for the Bronson Subdivision, in the form as presented. Supervisor Lambert seconded.

VOTE: 4-0

2) Release of Bronson Subdivision Plans for Recording.

MOTION: Chairman Herzog moved that, pursuant to DEP approval, the Township approve the release of the Bronson Subdivision plans for recording. Supervisor Lambert seconded.

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS:

- a) Township Property Owner Sarah Bronson stated she submitted an email requesting the township recreation fee in lieu of be waived until the time of building permit application for both lots. The Board of Supervisors discussed Ms. Bronson's fee in lieu of waiver request. Township Manager Swichar stated the he spoke to Solicitor Crotty who is fine with the Board of Supervisors granting the Bronson's waiver request. Township Manager Swichar also said that this is a minor 2-lot subdivision and it would be easy to track when building permit applications are received in order to collect the fee in lieu of at that time.

VOTE: 4-0

3) Township Recreation Fee in Lieu of Payment.

Supervisor Heffern asked if the Board needed to make a decision at this time regarding the Bronson's request to defer the township recreation fee in lieu. Township property owner Ron Bronson stated they were trying to have the buyer of the second lot pay their own fee in lieu of. Township property owner Ms. Bronson stated they plan to build within one year and the buyer of the second lot plans to build sooner. The settlement is next Tuesday for the sale of the second lot. Township property owner Ms. Bronson stated they would like to have this decision made tonight. Chairman Herzog asked Township Manager Swichar if Solicitor Crotty had any concerns regarding setting a precedence by approving the Bronson's request. Township Manager Swichar stated Solicitor Crotty had no concerns about setting precedence.

MOTION: Chairman Herzog moved to allow the township recreation fee in lieu of for the Bronson subdivision of \$1,500 per lot individually to be paid at time of building permit for each lot or in one year, whichever is sooner. Supervisor Heffern seconded.

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS:

- 1) Township Property Owner Sarah Bronson stated that in her letter she requested a waiver of up to two years, but if the Board is more comfortable with one year, than one year is acceptable. Supervisor DiRado stated one year is reasonable.

VOTE: 4-0

There was a discussion regarding the Stormwater Management Agreement signature and notarization requirements.

E. PennDOT Winter Traffic Services Agreement.

Chairman Herzog stated the PennDOT Winter Traffic Services Agreement is the annual agreement, with a list of State owned roads, which the Township will plow and PennDOT will reimburse the Township for. Township Manager Swichar reported last year's payment was \$26,930.89 and this year is \$33,377.12.

MOTION: Chairman Herzog made a motion to approve the 2018/2019 Winter Services Agreement from PennDOT. Supervisor Lambert seconded.

VOTE: 4-0

F. New Business.

- 1) On Street Parking Restrictions in Branford Village.

Township Manager Swichar discussed a concern recently raised by a resident regarding on-street parking in Branford Village. The Township Ordinance prohibiting on street parking is not being enforced in Branford Village. Township Manager Swichar reported he discussed this issue with Police Chief Porter and Modena Fire Chief Frank Dowlin and neither of them felt there was a safety problem with on street parking. Chief Porter also had said that the parking restrictions are hard to enforce in Branford Village because there is no overflow parking option. Chairman Herzog stated the main problem occurs during the winter because on street parking causes problems with snow plowing. Chairman Herzog recommended Township Manager Swichar talk to Public Works Foreman Tag Gathercole about snow plowing problems associated with on street parking. Township Manager Swichar said the options are to leave the ordinance alone or discuss revising the ordinance to allow parking on one side of the street. Supervisor Heffern stated he is in favor of revisiting the ordinance. Supervisor Lambert asked Planning Commission Chairman Dennis Crook if the Planning Commission could spearhead reviewing the parking ordinance. Planning Commission Chairman Crook stated the Planning Commission has been discussing this issue and will look into revising the parking ordinance.

3. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Chairman Herzog made a motion to adjourn the Board of Supervisors meeting at 7:17 pm.
Supervisor Lambert seconded.

VOTE: 4-0

Respectfully Submitted,



Lisa Valaitis,
Township Secretary