

The stated meeting of the Public Works Committee of the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Abington was held on Wednesday, October 28, 2015 at the Township Administration Building., Abington, PA., with Commissioner Bowman presiding.

CALL TO ORDER: 7:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present: Commissioners BOWMAN, KALINOSKI, SPIEGELMAN, ZAPPONE,
Excused: HECKER

Township Manager LEFEVRE
Township Solicitor CLARKE
Township Engineer POWERS
Director of Code Enforcement MATTEO
Director of Public Works MICCIOLO
Director of W.W.T.P. WRIGLEY
Community Director STROTHER

Also Present: Commissioners LUKER, KLINE, SANCHEZ, DiPLACIDO, MYERS, GILLESPIE, SCHREIBER, JONES

MINUTES: Commissioner Bowman made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Kalinoski to approve the minutes of the September 28, 2015 Public Works Committee Meeting.

MOTION was ADOPTED 4-0.

Resolution No. 15-034 – Setting Fees for the Collection of Refuse and Recyclable Materials from Multifamily, Commercial, Retail and Industrial Establishments

Commissioner Bowman made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Kalinoski to approve Resolution No. 15-034 setting fees for the Collection of Refuse and Recyclable Materials from Multifamily, Commercial, Retail and Industrial Establishments.

Manager LeFevre explained this is setting fees for nonresidential properties that the Township currently collects.

Commissioner Bowman asked for any comments from Commissioners. There were none.

Commissioner Bowman asked for any public comments. There were none.

MOTION was ADOPTED 4-0.

Fees for Large Item Pick Up

Commissioner Bowman made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Kalinoski to set the fees for Large Item Pick Up as per attached document.

Commissioner Bowman noted there has been no increase in fees for large item pick up since it was implemented in the early 1990's, and there is a schedule of large items available for the public.

Commissioner Bowman asked for any comments from Commissioners. There were none.

Commissioner Bowman asked for any public comments. There were none.

MOTION was ADOPTED 4-0.

Bid for Processing, Marketing and Running our Recycling Transfer Facility

Commissioner Bowman made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Spiegelman to enter into a contract with J.P. Mascaro, Inc. for the Processing, Marketing and Running the Transfer Facility on Fitzwatertown Road as per bid specifications.

Mr. Micciolo said the bid was put out by Upper Dublin Township on behalf of the consortium in which six communities take part in. All materials are transferred to the local transfer station owned by those communities located on Fitzwatertown Road. It was decided to get a new contract, so bids were sent out and J.P. Mascaro was the lowest responsible bidder.

Commissioner Bowman asked for any comments from Commissioners. There were none.

Commissioner Bowman asked for any public comments. There were none.

MOTION was ADOPTED 4-0.

Commissioner Bowman asked for any general comments relating to Public Works.

Rita Stevens, Chairperson of the Shade Tree Commission, commented that in regards to the stormwater management design for Edge Hill/Tyson reconstruction project as it pertains to the Ardsley Wildlife Sanctuary; since the last Public Works meeting, the Shade Tree Commission has continued its commitment to work with Pennoni Associates.

We met in the field and surveyed over 300 trees and provided detailed GIS (Graphic Information System) data to the Pennoni team. We are now waiting for feedback on the STC's alignment that we are recommending for a natural channel that is completely inside Township property, and it is our position not to add cost or delay the project.

Commissioner Zappone thanked Ms. Stevens and her staff for planting all of the trees at the Ardsley Wildlife Sanctuary last Saturday. He commended Ms. Stevens and her staff for doing an excellent job.

Lora Lehmann, 1431 Bryant Lane, said she would like to understand more about the “wastewater treatment plant and sewage system being part of the fund balance.”

Commissioner Kline clarified that the sewer fund is not part of the fund balance. Is that correct?

Manager LeFevre replied that is correct. The Sewer and Refuse have separate funds and are not part of the fund balance/general fund.

Commissioner Kline added that the Township does not operate its Sewer Fund or Refuse Fund from fund balance. They have their own separate funds that have revenues and expenditures that offset each other and are balanced each year.

Manager LeFevre replied that is correct.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael LeFevre, Township Manager

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