

The stated meeting of the Public Affairs Committee of the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Abington was held on Wednesday, September 30, 2015 at the Township Administration Building, Abington, PA., with Assistant Director Commissioner Farren presiding.

**CALL TO ORDER:** 7:42 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Present: Commissioners FARREN, SR., SCHREIBER, SANCHEZ, JONES, JR.  
Excused: SPIEGELMAN

Township Manager LEFEVRE  
Assistant Legal Counsel GALLAGHER

Also Present: Commissioners LUKER, MYERS, MARKMAN, GILLESPIE, DIPLACIDO, KALINOSKI, BOWMAN

**MINUTES:** Commissioner Schreiber made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Kalinoski to approve the minutes of the September 2, 2015 Public Affairs Committee Meeting.

MOTION was ADOPTED 4-0.

Ardasley Community Education Center Lease Renewal

Commissioner Farren made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Schreiber to approve the Ardsley Community Education Center's lease with the School District of Abington Township for a term of ten years from September 27, 2015 until September 26, 2025.

Commissioner Farren called on Township Manager LeFevre.

Manager LeFevre said this agreement mirrors the same agreement that has been in place for many years with the School District; however, the only change is the notice provision for the property that the School District currently leases in which they will now provide a ninety (90) day notice if they choose to take the building back.

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

Commissioner Farren asked for any public comments.

Lora Lehmann, 1431 Bryant Lane, commented that it costs \$50,000 a year for the community center.

Commissioner Gillespie clarified that the daycare center has a lease in that building. Is that correct?

Manager LeFevre replied the daycare center offsets the majority of costs associated with the building, but there is some portion that the Township is responsible for.

MOTION was ADOPTED 4-0.

Commissioner Farren asked for any general comments relating to Public Affairs.

Lora Lehmann, 1431 Bryant Lane, expressed concern that she feels the residents in the area of the VNA did not know about this plan and also about the "Township Solicitor putting a plan together for the VNA."

Manager LeFevre replied in no way shape or form did the Township Solicitor suggest that he would prepare a plan for the VNA. Township Solicitor agreed to work with the VNA's attorney in drafting an option agreement if the Board chose to move forward in that direction. Commissioner Spiegelman is in the process of arranging a meeting with reps of VNA and the residents across from that property and, following that meeting, this Board will have more information.

**ADJOURNMENT:** 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael LeFevre, Township Manager

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