

The stated meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Abington was held on Thursday, September 8, 2016 at the Township Administration Building, Abington, PA., with President Luker presiding.

**CALL TO ORDER:** 7:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Present: Commissioners ZAPPONE, SPIEGELMAN, SANCHEZ, ROTHMAN, MYERS, MARKMAN, SCHREIBER, BOWMAN, DiPLACIDO, HECKER, KALINOSKI, KLINE, LUKER  
Excused: FARREN, GILLESPIE

Township Manager LEFEVRE  
Assistant Township Manager WEHMEYER  
Township Tax Collector BLUMENTHAL  
Finance Director BARRON  
Township Solicitor CLARKE  
Chief of Police KELLY  
Township Engineer POWERS  
Director of Code Enforcement MATTEO  
Planning & Zoning Official PENECALE  
Director of Parks and Recreation WENDELL  
Director of W.W.T.P. WRIGLEY  
Fire Marshal CLARK

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**PRESENTATION:**

**SWEARING IN OF NEW OFFICERS by District Justice John Kessler:**

Chief Kelly said tonight, three new recruit officers will be sworn into the Abington Township Police Department.

New Recruit Officer Joseph Marrero was hired by the Philadelphia Police Department in November 2008 and graduated from the Police Academy in 2009. He was assigned to the 17<sup>th</sup> District South Division where he won numerous awards and commendations for his work and service.

New Recruit Officer Robert Steck completed an internship with the Abington Township Police Department in 2013. He received a Bachelors of Science Degree in Criminal Justice from Gwynedd Mercy University in May 2014. In June 2014, he completed the Montgomery County Municipal Police Academy and was employed as a Police Officer for the Philadelphia Housing Authority prior to being hired by the Abington Township Police Department.

New Recruit Officer Charles Nicholas, Jr. received a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Alvernia University in May 2011, and on December 14, 2011, Charles graduated from the Baltimore County Police Academy and was employed as Deputy Sheriff with Cecil County Sheriff's Office in Maryland prior to being hired by the Abington Township Police Department.

District Justice John Kessler administered the Oath of Office to new recruit Police Officers Joseph Marrero, Robert Steck and Charles Nicholas, Jr. before the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Abington on this 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2016.

Presentation of Commendation to Retiree Lieutenant Steven Hochwind:

Chief Kelly said it is a sad moment when one of our longtime members of our Police Department retires, and he introduced Lt. Steven Hochwind to the Board.

On March 1983, Steve Hochwind was sworn in as an Officer of the Abington Township Police Department. He graduated from West Chester in May of that year with a B.S. in Criminal Justice, and in June, he officially launched his career patrolling the streets of Abington. 14 years later, he was promoted to Sergeant, and in 2005, he advanced to the rank of Lieutenant and has been acting Patrol Lieutenant for the "B" Platoon.

In 2008, Steve was assigned to head the Administrative Division to become a Division Commander. As Division Commander, he stepped into a major department project to make a significant percentage of our operations paperless.

He served as the Liaison Officer for Abington's six-member Park Ranger Unit that patrols the Township's park system and was in charge of the Special Police Unit that handles traffic details and special events saving a tremendous amount of money by their volunteer service to the Township. He served as both a Field Training Officer and a D.A.R.E. Officer in Roslyn Elementary and Meadowbrook Schools.

Steve was elected several times to serve in an Officer-capacity with the Abington Township Police Association by fellow members of the Police Association, and for 23 years, he was a highly respected member of our Tactical Team serving as Assistant Commander.

In March 2011, Steve graduated from the FBI National Academy of National Development Program for Law Enforcement Executives, and for the past year, he has been teaching a security operations management course for Abington Penn State. Steve is now the Coordinator of Safety and Student Attendance for Abington School District.

Commissioner Schreiber presented Certificate of Commendation to retiree Lieutenant Steven Hochwind to acknowledge with sincere appreciation of his 33 years of dedicated service to the citizens of Abington Township from March 28, 1983 to September 5, 2016 before the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Abington on this 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2016.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Vice President Kline made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Spiegelman to approve the minutes of the Board of Commissioners meeting of August 11, 2016.

MOTION was ADOPTED 13-0.

**PUBLIC COMMENT (AGENDA ITEMS):**

President Luker asked for any public comments on agenda items. There were none.

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:**

Perfluorochemicals (PFCs) and Drinking Water Update

Commissioner Hecker announced that this item has been deleted from the agenda.

2014 Capital Improvement Program – Demolition of 1004 Irvin Road

Commissioner Hecker made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Kline to approve and enter into contract with Tamco Construction, Inc. for the demolition of 1004 Irvin Road in the amount of \$33,600.00; to be funded by 2014 Bond Issue.

Commissioner Luker asked for any comments from Commissioners or staff. There were none.

MOTION was ADOPTED 13-0.

2015 HUD Program – Tennis Avenue/North Hills Avenue/Fairview Avenue Storm Projects

Commissioner Hecker made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Kline to approve final payment for the Tennis Avenue/North Hills Avenue/Fairview Avenue Storm Sewer Project, to N. Abbonizio Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$11,802.65; to be funded from the 2015 HUD Program.

Commissioner Luker asked for any comments from Commissioners or staff. There were none.

MOTION was ADOPTED 13-0.

Rockwell Road Sidewalk Project

Commissioner Hecker made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Spiegelman to approve final payment for the Rockwell Road Sidewalk Project to Biase Landscaping, LLC in the amount of \$2,300.00; to be funded from Fund Balance.

Commissioner Luker asked for any comments from Commissioners or staff. There were none.

MOTION was ADOPTED 13-0.

Ordinance No. 2124 – Old Welsh Road – Sanitary Sewer Project

Commissioner Hecker made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Kline to adopt Ordinance No. 2124 adding 1908 Paper Mill Road to the Old Welsh Road Sanitary Sewer District.

Commissioner Luker asked for any comments from Commissioners or staff. There were none.

MOTION was ADOPTED 13-0.

**TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2124**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 132 – “SEWERS AND SEWAGE,” OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON, TO AMEND ARTICLE XXXIII, TITLED “OLD WELSH ROAD SEWER DISTRICT,” AMENDING THE DESIGNATION OF PROPERTIES WITHIN THE SEWER DISTRICT IN THE VICINITY OF OLD WELSH ROAD, AND INCLUDING A REPEALER CLAUSE AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

WHEREAS, the Township of Abington is a Township of the First Class, duly organized and existing pursuant to the applicable laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article XXIV, “Sewer and Drains,” of the First Class Township Code of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, 53 P.S. §57401-57445, the Board of Commissioners has the authority to establish and construct a system of sanitary sewers and drainage, and to establish sewer districts, estimate the proportion of the cost of the sewer system and establish an apportionment of said costs to properties within the district;

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Abington enacted Ordinance No. 2116, establishing a new sewer district, known as the Old Welsh Road Sewer District, by the addition of new Article XXXIII in Chapter 132, for the purposes of extending the public sewer system and assessing the associated costs and expenses against the properties to be benefited by such expansion; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has determined that it is necessary and proper to amend Chapter 132, Article XXXIII, Section 132-194, in order to revise Exhibit A-1, referenced in said Section 132-194, to include an additional property within the Old Welsh Road Sewer District.


**NOW, THEREFORE,** the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Abington does hereby **ENACT** and **ORDAIN** as follows:


1. Chapter 132 – “Sewers and Sewage,” is amended to revise Section 132-194 to include in Exhibit A-1 an additional property within the Old Welch Road Sewer District, as set forth in revised Exhibit “A-1” attached hereto and incorporated herein in its entirety as though fully set forth herein.
2. All other ordinances, portions of ordinances, or any section of the Code inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.
3. This Ordinance shall become effective five (5) days after enactment.

**ORDAINED AND ENACTED** this 8th day of September, 2016.

TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Attest:

  
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Michael LeFevre, Secretary

By:   
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Wayne Luker, President

Resolution No. 16-029 – To Apply for a PA Small Water and Sewer Program Grant

Commissioner Hecker made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Kline to adopt Resolution No. 16-029 to authorize the Township of Abington to submit an application formally requesting grant funds from the PA Small Water and Sewer Program for 2016.

Commissioner Luker asked for any comments from Commissioners or staff. There were none.

MOTION was ADOPTED 13-0.

## PA Small Water and Sewer Grant Program

### RESOLUTION NO. 16-029

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FORMALLY REQUESTING A GRANT OF FUNDS FROM THE PA SMALL WATER AND SEWER PROGRAM

**WHEREAS**, Pursuant to Article XVII-A, § 1774.1A, of the Act of April 9, 1929, P.L. 343 as amended the sum of \$22,000,000 was made available to the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development's Office of Business Financing – Commonwealth Financing Authority Programs Division; and

**WHEREAS**, the Commonwealth Financing Authority has authorized water and sewer grants for projects with a cost of not less than \$30,000 and not more than \$500,000; and

**WHEREAS**, eligible applicants for the PA Small Water and Sewer Program must be a Municipality, including townships; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Abington conforms to the eligibility requirements as a township; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** as follows:

That the Township of Abington of Montgomery County, Pennsylvania hereby requests a PA Small Water and Sewer Program grant of \$280,000 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority to be used for the repair or rehabilitation of sanitary sewer systems.

Be it FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Applicant does hereby designate Wayne C. Luker, President and Michael LeFevre, Secretary as the officials to execute all documents and agreements between the Township of Abington and the Commonwealth Financing Authority to facilitate and assist in obtaining the requested grant.

I, Michael LeFevre, duly qualified Secretary of the Township of Abington, of Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, hereby certify that the forgoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by a majority vote of the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Abington at a regular meeting held on September 8, 2016 and said Resolution has been recorded in the Minutes of the Township of Abington and remains in effect as of this date.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, I affix my hand and attach the seal of the Township of  
Abington this 8th day of September, 2016.

*Wayne C. Luker*

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Wayne C. Luker, President Board of Commissioners  
Name of Applicant

Montgomery County

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County

*Michael LeFevre*

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Michael LeFevre  
Secretary

Edge Hill Road/Tyson Avenue Right-of-Way Acquisition Update

Commissioner Hecker announced that this item has been deleted from the agenda.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT AND LAND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:**

Subdivision SD-16-05 – Patrick Deacon – 2661 Mt. Carmel Avenue

Commissioner Sanchez made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Kalinoski to approve the subdivision application of Patrick Deacon, applicant of the property located at 2661 Mount Carmel Avenue, Abington Township. The applicant seeks approval to subdivide the property into two parcels. Lot No. 1 will contain the existing dwelling and is listed at 13,313 square feet. Proposed Lot No. 2 is plotted at 7,500 square feet and the existing barn is marked “To Be Removed.” The properties are zoned in the (R-4) Residential District in Ward No. 6 of the Township of Abington. (This application was submitted as a preliminary final plan; however, due to DEP requirements for either an approved Planning Module or an approved ACT 537 Exemption Application, this application will be reviewed for preliminary approval only.)

This motion is subject to the following conditions:

1. Sanitary sewer service is available for this development. However, flows from this property are through Cheltenham Township and requires their approval. An ACT 537 Exemption Application has been submitted and has been recommended for approval.
2. The items listed within the Staff Review letter dated, July 13, 2016 is to be taken under consideration by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Abington.
3. This recommendation is for preliminary plan approval only. If the Board of Commissioners elects to approve this application as a final plan, a condition must be added to address the Planning Module or ACT 537 Exemption Certificate that is required.

This motion is subject to the following waivers:

1. Waiver from Section 146-11.A – Property Identification Plan – The plan is required to supply the tax parcel information, owners’ name and lot area for all properties within 400 feet of the site involved in this application. Staff supports this waiver.
2. Waiver from Section 146.11B – Existing Features Plan – The plan is required to plot the location of all utilities on the sites and within 400 feet of the properties involved in this application. Staff supports this waiver.
3. Waiver from Section 146-11.C – Propose Layout Plan – The plan is required to plot the location of all existing utilities, to include the size, type and depth of all existing improvements proposed to remain and be removed. Staff supports this waiver.
4. Waiver from Section 146.11.L – Architectural Plan – The applicant has submitted a rendering of the exterior finishes of the proposed alterations. Architectural plans have not been submitted at this time. Staff is in favor of this waiver.
5. Waiver from Section 146-39 – Street Trees – The applicant is required to plant one street tree five feet inside the front property line every 50 feet. The applicant is only requesting that the waiver be granted to allow the tree to be planted within 15 feet of the front property line instead of the required five feet.

Commissioner Luker asked for any comments from Commissioners or staff. There were none.

MOTION was ADOPTED 13-0.

Subdivision and Land Development – LD – 15-06 – Patrick Deacon – 2718 Moreland Road

Commissioner Sanchez made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Spiegelman to approve the Subdivision and Land Development application of Patrick Deacon, applicant for the property located at 2718 Moreland Road. The applicant proposes to subdivide the .64 acre site into two lots. Lot No. 1 will consist of 14,658 square feet and contain the existing single-family dwelling and detached garage. Lot No. 2 is proposed at 13,525 square feet and is proposed for development of a single-family. Both lots comply with the dimensional requirements of Section 304.3 of the Zoning Ordinance. The property is zoned in the (R-4) Residential District in Ward No. 8 of the Township of Abington.

This motion is subject to the following conditions:

1. Sanitary sewer service is available for this development. An ACT 537 Exemption Application is required to be submitted and approved prior to the recording of the final plan.
2. The items listed within the Staff Review letter dated, July 28, 2016 is to be taken under consideration by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Abington.
3. This plan was first submitted as a three-lot plan that required the application to be reviewed as a Land Development. The plan has since been revised to a two-lot plan and has now been reviewed as a subdivision plan only.
4. The Planning Commission recommends that the Township Engineer review the un-improved section of Henry Avenue and determine if an easement is required for the existing utilities.
5. This recommendation is for approval as a preliminary as final plan with the condition that the final plan cannot be recorded and/or any permits issued until such time that the applicant receives DEP approval for the required EDU.

This motion is subject to the following waivers:

1. Waiver from Section 146-11.A – Property Identification Plan – The plan is required to supply the tax parcel information, owners’ name and lot area for all properties within 400 feet of the site involved in this application. Staff supports this waiver.
2. Waiver from Section 146.11B – Existing Features Plan – The plan is required to plot the location of all utilities on the sites and within 400 feet of the properties involved in this application. Staff supports this waiver.
3. Waiver from Section 146-11.C – Proposed Layout Plan – The plan is required to plot the location of all existing utilities, to include the size, type and depth of all existing improvements proposed to remain and be removed. Staff supports this waiver.
4. Waiver from Section 146.11.L – Architectural Plan – The applicant has submitted a rendering of the exterior finishes of the proposed alterations. Architectural plans have not been submitted at this time. Staff is in favor of this waiver.
5. Waiver from Section 146-24.D – Right-of-Way Width – The applicant has requested a waiver to allow the cartway and right-of-way widths to remain as it exists.
6. Waiver from Section 146-27 – Curbing & Sidewalks – The applicant has requested a waiver for the installation of sidewalks. Curbing is already in place.
7. Waiver from Section 146-39 – Street Trees – The applicant is required to plant one street tree five feet inside the front property line every 50 feet. The applicant is only requesting that the waiver be granted to allow the tree to be planted within 15 feet of the front property, instead of the required five feet.

Commissioner Luker asked for any comments from Commissioners or staff. There were none.

MOTION was ADOPTED 13-0.

Subdivision SD-16-03 – Shelley & Nicholas Schorsch – 1580 Warner Road

Commissioner Sanchez made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Kline to approve the subdivision application of Shelley and Nicholas Schorsch, owners of the property located at 1580 Warner Road. The applicant proposes to subdivide an existing parcel of 7.86 acres in size into two parcels. Lot No. 1 has the required lot frontage on Mill Road and is proposed to be reduced to 4.22 acres in total lot area. Lot No. 2 is plotted at 3.64 acres in total lot area and has the required lot frontage on the private portion of Warner Road. The property is zoned in the (R-1) Residential District in Ward No. 1 of the Township of Abington.

This motion is subject to the following conditions:

1. Sanitary sewer service is available for this development. However, no construction is proposed at this time. An ACT 537 Exemption Application is required to be submitted and approved prior to the release of a construction permit.
2. The items listed within the Staff Review letter dated, May 11, 2016 and August 9, 2016 are to be taken under consideration by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Abington.
3. This recommendation is for preliminary as final approval.
4. In the event that one or more of these properties are developed, either together or separately, the development or property owner is required to submit a Land Development Plan to the Township of Abington for review and approval.

This motion is subject to the following waivers:

1. Waiver from Section 146-11.A – Property Identification Plan – The plan is required to supply the tax parcel information, owners’ name and lot area for all properties within 400 feet of the site involved in this application. Staff supports this waiver.
2. Waiver from Section 146.11B – Existing Features Plan – The plan is required to plot the location of all utilities on the sites and within 400 feet of the properties involved in this application. Staff supports this waiver.
3. Waiver from Section 146-11.C – Proposed Layout Plan – The plan is required to plot the location of all existing utilities, to include the size, type and depth of all existing improvements proposed to remain and be removed. Staff supports this waiver.
4. Waiver from Section 146-11.L – Architectural Plan – Architectural plans has not been submitted. No construction is proposed at this time.
5. Waiver from Section 146.24.D – Right-of-Way Width – The applicant has requested a waiver to allow the cartway and right-of-way widths to remain as it exists.

6. Waiver from Section 146-27 – Curbing & Sidewalks – The applicant has requested a waiver for the installation of curb, gutter and sidewalks.

Commissioner Luker asked for any comments from Commissioners or staff. There were none.

MOTION was ADOPTED 13-0.

Subdivision SD-16-06 – Brown Street Associates, LLC -302 Holme Avenue and Vacant Parcel No. 300007900008

Commissioner Sanchez made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner DiPlacido to approve the subdivision application of Brown Associates, LLC, for the property known as 302 Holme Avenue and the vacant property known as Parcel No. 300007900008 fronting on Chancellor Avenue. The applicant proposes to relocate the existing shared property line and transfer 200 square feet of ground from 302 Holme Avenue to the vacant parcel. The lot area of 302 Holme Avenue will be reduced to 15,755.2 square feet and the vacant parcel will be increased to 7,634.2 square feet. Both lots will conform to the dimensional requirements of Section 304.3 of the Zoning Ordinance of the Township of Abington. The vacant parcel of the property is for the development of a single-family dwelling. The properties are zoned in the (R-4) Residential District in Ward No. 4 of the Township of Abington.

This motion is subject to the following conditions:

1. Sanitary sewer service is available for this development. However, flows from this property are through Cheltenham Township. The Planning Module or ACT 537 Exemption Application is required to be submitted and approved by both the Township of Abington and Cheltenham Township prior to being forwarded to DEP for final action.
2. The items listed within the Staff Review letter dated, August 10, 2016 is to be taken under consideration by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Abington.
3. This recommendation is for preliminary approval until such time that DEP has approved the sanitary sewer connection. The Board of Commissioners may also consider final approval with the condition that the final plan not be recorded until DEP has approved the EDU connection.
4. The stormwater management system must be revised as to the satisfaction of the Engineering Department of the Township of Abington.
5. The Abington Planning Commission recommends that the Township Engineer and/or the Township Solicitor review the improvement within the unimproved portion of Chancellor Avenue and determine how these private improvements within the Township right-of-way will be maintained.

This motion is subject to the following waivers:

1. Waiver from Section 146-11.A – Property Identification Plan – The plan is required to supply the tax parcel information, owners’ name and lot area for all properties within 400 feet of the site involved in this application. Staff supports this waiver.
2. Waiver from Section 146.11B – Existing Features Plan – The plan is required to plot the location of all utilities on the sites and within 400 feet of the properties involved in this application. Staff supports this waiver.
3. Waiver from Section 146-11.C – Proposed Layout Plan – The plan is required to plot the location of all existing utilities, to include the size, type and depth of all existing improvements proposed to remain and be removed. Staff supports this waiver.
4. Waiver from Section 146-11.L – Architectural Plan – The applicant has submitted a rendering of the exterior finishes of the proposed alterations. Architectural plans have not been submitted at this time. Staff is in favor of this waiver. .
5. Waiver from Section 146-27 – Curbing & Sidewalks – The applicant has requested a waiver for the installation of curb, gutter and sidewalks.
6. Waiver from Section 146-11-38 – Street Lighting – The applicant has requested a waiver from the installation of additional street lighting.
7. Waiver from Section 146-39 – Street Trees – The applicant is required to plant one street tree five feet inside the front property line every 50 feet.

Commissioner Luker asked for any comments from Commissioners or staff. There were none.

MOTION was ADOPTED 13-0.



**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:**

Ordinance No. 2125 – To Amend Chapter 156 “Vehicles and Traffic” Article II “Traffic Regulations” Section 14 “Stop Intersections and Article III “Parking Regulations” Section 25 “Parking Prohibited At All Times; No Parking Between Signs; No Parking Here To Corner; Parking Prohibited Except Certain Hours; No Stopping Or Standing” Section 28 “Special Purpose Parking Zones”

Commissioner Schreiber made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Kalinoski to adopt Ordinance No. 2125 amending Chapter 156 “Vehicles and Traffic” Article II “Traffic Regulations” Section 14 “Stop Intersections and Article III “Parking Regulations” Section 25 “Parking Prohibited At All Times; No Parking Between Signs; No Parking Here To Corner; Parking Prohibited Except Certain Hours; No Stopping Or Standing” Section 28 “Special Purpose Parking Zones.”

Commissioner Luker asked for any comments from Commissioners or staff. There were none.

MOTION was ADOPTED 13-0.

**TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2125**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 156 – “VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC,”  
ARTICLE II – “TRAFFIC REGULATIONS”  
SECTION 14 – “STOP INTERSECTIONS”  
ARTICLE III – “PARKING REGULATIONS”  
SECTION 25 – “PARKING PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES; NO PARKING BETWEEN  
SIGNS; NO PARKING HERE TO CORNER; PARKING PROHIBITED EXCEPT  
CERTAIN HOURS; NO STOPPING OR STANDING” AND  
SECTION 28 – “SPECIAL PURPOSE PARKING ZONES”**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Abington is a Township of the First Class, duly organized and existing pursuant to the applicable laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to section 1502.44 of the First Class Township Code of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, 53 P.S. §56544, the Board of Commissioners has the authority to enact and amend provisions of the Abington Township Code (“Code”) at any time it deems necessary for the health, safety, morals, general welfare, cleanliness, beauty, convenience and comfort of the Township and the inhabitants thereof; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to section 1502.10 of the First Class Township Code of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, 53 P.S. §56510, the Board of Commissioners has the authority to take all needful means for securing the safety of persons or property within the Township; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to section 1502.49 of the First Class Township Code of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, 53 P.S. §56549, the Board of Commissioners has the authority to regulate parking; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Abington has determined that Chapter 156 – “Vehicles and Traffic,” Article II – “Traffic Regulations,” Section 14 “Stop Intersections” and Article III – “Parking Regulations,” and Section 25 “Parking Prohibited At All

Times; No Parking Between Signs; No Parking Here To Corner; Parking Prohibited Except Certain Hours; No Stopping Or Standing” and 28 “Special Purpose Parking Zones,” should amended for the health, safety, morals, general welfare, cleanliness, beauty, convenience and comfort of the Township and the inhabitants thereof.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Abington does hereby **ENACT** and **ORDAIN** as follows:

1. Chapter 156 – “Vehicles and Traffic,” Article II – “Traffic Regulations,” Section 14 – “Stop Intersections,” shall be amended to **add** the following restrictions:

| <b>Stop Sign On</b> | <b>Direction of Travel</b> | <b>At Intersection Of</b> |
|---------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Roslyn Avenue       | Southbound                 | Ardsley Avenue            |

2. Chapter 156 – “Vehicles and Traffic,” Article III – “Parking Regulations,” Section 25 – “Parking Prohibited At All Times, No Parking Between Signs; No Parking Here To Corner; Parking Prohibited Except Certain Hours,” shall be amended to **add** the following restrictions:

| <b>Name of Highway</b> | <b>Side</b> | <b>Location</b>  |
|------------------------|-------------|--|
| Hilltop Road           | South       | from the entrance to the Jenkintown Day Nursery to Baeder Road |

3. Chapter 156 – “Vehicles and Traffic,” Article III, “Parking Regulations,” Section 28 – “Special Purpose Parking Zones,” shall be amended to **add** the following restriction:

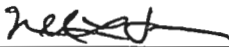
| Name of Highway | Authorized Purpose of Vehicle | Location                            |
|-----------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Shelmire Street | Handicapped Parking           | Side Entrance of<br>301 Church Road |


4. All other ordinances, portions of ordinances, or any section of the Code inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.
5. This Ordinance shall become effective five (5) days after enactment.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED this 8th day of September, 2016.

TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Attest:

  
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Michael LeFevre, Secretary

By:   
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Wayne C. Luker, President

Ordinance No. 2126 – To Amend Chapter 156 “Vehicles and Traffic” Article II “Traffic Regulations” Section 14 “Stop Intersections” and Article III “Parking Regulations” Section 25 “Parking Prohibited At All Times; No Parking Between Signs; No Parking Here To Corner; Parking Prohibited Except Certain Hours; No Stopping Or Standing” Section 28 “Special Purpose Parking Zones”

Commissioner Schreiber made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Kalinoski to advertise Ordinance No. 2126 amending Chapter 156 “Vehicles and Traffic” Article II “Traffic Regulations” Section 14 “Stop Intersections” and Article III “Parking Regulations” Section 25 “Parking Prohibited At All Times; No Parking Between Signs; No Parking Here To Corner; Parking Prohibited Except Certain Hours; No Stopping Or Standing” Section 28 “Special Purpose Parking Zones” for adoption at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Commissioners on October 13, 2016 at 7:30 p.m.

Commissioner Luker asked for any comments from Commissioners or staff. There were none.

MOTION was ADOPTED 13-0.

Sobriety Checkpoint Grant

Commissioner Schreiber made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Spiegelman to authorize Township officials to accept a grant award from the Bureau of Highway Safety and Traffic Engineering in the amount of \$55,000.00 with the Township’s matching portion approximately \$480.00.

Commissioner Luker asked for any comments from Commissioners or staff. There were none.

MOTION was ADOPTED 13-0.

**PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:**

Commissioner Spiegelman announced that the Committee had no business at this time.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE:**

Treasurer’s Report:

Township Treasurer Jay W. Blumenthal reported that monies received from various departments were deposited into Republic Bank for the month of August 2016 in the amount of \$3,740,862 as compared to last year of \$3,788,621 representing a decrease of (\$47,759) over last year. YTD was in the amount of \$51,461,359 as compared to last year of \$48,954,684 representing an increase of \$2,506,675.

Deposits of real estate taxes for the month of August 2016 were in the amount \$41,004; YTD \$25,731,885 leaving a balance to collect in the amount of \$1,031,297. 96% has been collected leaving a balance of 4%.

Investments

Commissioner Kline made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Hecker to approve investments for the month of July as previously circulated to the Board. It was noted that investments for the month totaled \$1,030,000.00. Interest rate yields ranged from 0.0800% to 0.950%.

Commissioner Luker asked for any comments from Commissioners or staff. There were none.

MOTION was ADOPTED 13-0.

Expenditures/Salaries and Wages

Motion to:

- (A) Approve the July expenditures as previously circulated to the Board, in the amount of \$4,388,870.08 and salaries and wages in the amount of \$1,837,934.50.
- (B) Authorize the proper officials to sign vouchers in payment of bills and contracts as they mature through the month of October 2016.

Commissioner Luker asked for any comments from Commissioners or staff. There were none.

Roll call resulted in motion being passed 13-0. Commissioners Farren and Gillespie were absent during roll call.

Training and Conference Expenses

Commissioner Kline made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Hecker to approve the Advance and Travel Expense activity for July 2016 as previously circulated to the Board. Advance and Travel Expense reports were \$0.00 and \$5,155.10, respectively.

Seven-month expenses totaled \$28,863.19.

Commissioner Luker asked for any comments from Commissioners or staff. There were none.

MOTION was ADOPTED 13-0.

Clearing Fund/Deferred Revenue and Expense/Petty Cash

Commissioner Kline made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Hecker to approve the Clearing Fund, the Deferred Revenue/Expense activity and Petty Cash balances for the month of July as previously circulated to the Board.

Clearing fund receipts and disbursements for the month of July 2016 were \$934.98 and (\$3,250.14), respectively.

Deferred Revenue/Expense receipts and disbursements for the month of July 2016 were \$12,669.50 and (\$9,318.00).

Commissioner Luker asked for any comments from Commissioners or staff. There were none.

MOTION was ADOPTED 13-0.

2278 Mount Carmel Avenue To Be Included 100% In The Township of Abington Tax Roll

Commissioner Kline made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Hecker to include Parcel 31-00-08593-00-7 known as 5 South Easton Road in Cheltenham Township to be 100% within the Township of Abington for real estate tax purposes under 53 Pa.C.S.8818.

Commissioner Luker asked for any comments from Commissioners or staff. There were none.

Mr. Blumenthal noted this will bring in extra real estate taxes to Abington and possibly added business taxes.

MOTION was ADOPTED 13-0.

**PENSION COMMITTEE:**

Resolution No. 16-028 – Minimum Municipal Obligation Pension Plans

Commissioner Bowman made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Spiegelman to adopt Resolution No. 16-028 recognizing that the Township's minimum municipal funding obligation for the calendar year 2017 with respect to the Municipal Non-Uniformed Employee, Police and Non-Uniformed Employee Defined Contribution Pension Plans, is \$672,666.00, \$1,136,244.00 and \$10,580.00, respectively.

Commissioner Luker asked for any comments from Commissioners or staff. There were none.

MOTION was ADOPTED 13-0.



**RESOLUTION NO. 16-028**

**MINIMUM MUNICIPAL OBLIGATION**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Abington does maintain three pension plans;

**WHEREAS**, said plans are known as the Township of Abington Municipal Non-Uniformed Employees' Pension Plan, the Township of Abington Police Pension Plan and the Township of Abington Non-Uniformed Employees' Defined Contribution Pension Plan;


**WHEREAS**, Act 205 of 1984 mandates that the governing body of said "plans" recognize their minimum obligation on or before September 30 of a given year;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that based upon the following Actuarial Development of Pension Plan Funding Cost of the Abington Non-Uniformed Employees,' Police and Non-Uniformed Employees' Defined Contribution Pension Plans of the Township of Abington, County of Montgomery, State of Pennsylvania, the Board of Commissioners acknowledges the funding requirements for the above mentioned plans to be \$672,666, \$1,136,244 and \$10,580 respectively. These actuarial costs have been submitted pursuant to an actuarial valuation completed as of January 1, 2016 by AON Consulting.

**THEREFORE**, the Board of Commissioners recognizes these funding requirements and makes provisions for these costs as part of their budget for the year 2017.

**RESOLVED**, at the meeting of the Board of Commissioners this 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2016.

ABINGTON TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

By:   
Wayne C. Luker, President

ATTEST:

  
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Michael LeFevre, Secretary

**PUBLIC COMMENT (NON-AGENDA ITEMS)**

Alfred Scheib, 403 Stewart Avenue, expressed concern about flooding in his neighborhood and also about invasive species in Township's parks.

Raymond Bell, 2076 Parkview Avenue, commented that 15 years ago many people were killed on 9/11, lest we forgot.

**REMARKS OF COMMISSIONERS**

Commissioner Zappone reminded his residents that the Ardsley Family Day event will be held on October 1, 2016 at the Ardsley Community Center from noon-5 p.m.

Commissioner Spiegelman announced that September is Childhood Cancer Awareness Month and tomorrow night will be the Abington/Cheltenham football game at 7 p.m., which is a fundraiser for various childhood cancer charities.

On Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, at noon at the Public Safety Training Center, the Abington Township Fire Department will be hosting a 9/11 remembrance ceremony.

Commissioner Sanchez announced that the bike lanes have been installed on the Fairway and he thanked his fellow Board members who supported it.

Commissioner Rothman announced that on September 25, 2016, there will be two events; he, along with Commissioners DiPlacido and Sanchez will be at Alverthorpe Park for McKinley Civic Association's Picnic at 11:30 a.m. Later that same day, an event known as Jessie's Day will be held from 10-4 p.m. and info can be found by googling Jessie's Day.

Commissioner Myers announced that in the spirit of Lt. Hochwind's retirement, the PAL Food Festival this year will be held on Tuesday, October 18<sup>th</sup> and our honoree will be Chief Bill Kelly and our theme this year is "Hail, To The Chief!" We will also honor Lt. Steve Hochwind as they both, especially Chief Kelly, has done more for PAL than many, many people put together.

Commissioner Schreiber reminded everyone about the upcoming Roslyn Car Show and Festival that will be held on Saturday, September 24, 2016 beginning at 3 p.m. Rain date is September 25<sup>th</sup>.

Commissioner Bowman commented that he has known Lt. Steve Hochwind since 1988, and he is a good man and he will be missed, and he wished him a "Happy Retirement."

Commissioner DiPlacido thanked the motorists who drove through Ward 4 this week as it seemed they were really conscious of back to school time and driving like their kids live here.

Commissioner Hecker announced that one of his residents will be sponsoring a blood drive/donor match event called, "Strong Like Shawn" that will be held on Friday, September 23, 2016, from 3:30-8:30 p.m. at the Super Giant in Willow Grove.

Commissioner Kalinoski announced that CAPT will be hosting an event on Friday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, that will be a drive-in movie night at the Senior High School, which is free, but we are requesting donations. Also, on Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> will be our Annual Motorcycle Run/VFW luncheon.

President Luker announced that the Willow Grove Branch of the NAACP will be having Unity Day on Saturday, September 10, 2016 from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at Crestmont Park.

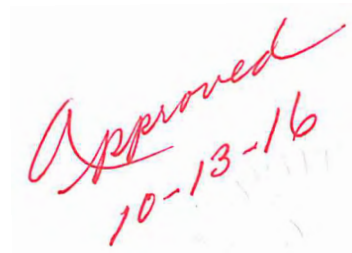
Chief Kelly added that the NAACP and the Abington Township Police Department will be signing a formal agreement that encourages citizens to report any police misconduct to reps of the NAACP.

**ADJOURNMENT:** 8:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael LeFevre, Township Manager

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Approved  
10-13-16