

TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON

(4) PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

**September 6, 2017
7:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

**ROLL CALL: SPIEGELMAN - BOWMAN - SCHREIBER - ROTHMAN -
KALINOSKI**

**Township Manager MANFREDI
Township Solicitor CLARKE**

MINUTES:

**Motion to approve the minutes of the July 5, 2017 Public Affairs
Committee Meeting.**

**PA1. Ordinance No. 2141, Amending Chapter 8, "Economic
Development Committee," Section 2, "Membership"**

**Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2141, Amending Chapter 8,
"Economic Development Committee," Section 2, "Membership."**

Note: Unfinished Business:

**As previously discussed and directed by the Board of
Commissioners the following agenda item will be on the
Thursday, September 14, 2017 regular public meeting:**

**Consider motion to appoint Michael Markman to the Township
Economic Development Committee to fill the term expiring
December 31, 2018.**

PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

BOARD ACTION REQUEST

September 6, 2017

DATE

PA1

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER

DEPARTMENT

AGENDA ITEM

TOWNSHIP MANAGER

Administration

Ordinance No. 2141
Amending Chapter 8 –
“Economic Development Committee,”
At Section 2 – “Membership”

Richard J. Manfredi

PREVIOUS ACTIONS

RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTION

Motion to adopt Ordinance No 2141 amending Chapter 8, “Economic Development Committee,” at Section 2, “Membership”

COMMENTS

**TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

ORDINANCE NO. 2141

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 8 – “ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE,” AT SECTION 2 – “MEMBERSHIP”**

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, the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Abington has determined that Chapter 8 – “Economic Development Committee.” should be amended at Section 2 – “Membership.” 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 8 – “Economic Development Committee.” Section 2 – “Membership.” shall be amended to read as follows, with the underlined text indicating the revised portions of the code, and the stricken text indicating the deleted text:

“The Abington Township Economic Development Committee shall not exceed 16 individual members, each of whom shall be a resident of the Township, and/or the owner of a business located in the Township, and/or a representative of such business. At least 50% of the Committee membership shall at all times be comprised of business owners or business representatives. Five membership seats shall be reserved for one representative from each of the following major institutions in the Township: Abington Memorial Hospital, Abington Penn State, the Abington School District, the Eastern Montgomery County Chamber of

Commerce, ~~the Greater Glenside Chamber of Commerce,~~ and the Abington Art Center. All appointed members shall be voting members of the Committee. In addition, a Board of Commissioners Liaison, who may be a voting member, and a Committee Secretary, who shall be a nonvoting member, shall be appointed. The number of Committee members and/or the composition of the Committee may hereafter be altered by the Board of Commissioners of Abington Township.”

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 _____ day of _____, 2017.

TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Attest:

By: _____

Richard J. Manfredi, Secretary

Wayne C. Luker, President

The stated meeting of the Public Affairs Committee of the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Abington was held on Wednesday, July 5, 2017 at the Township Administration Building, Abington, PA., with Commissioner Spiegelman presiding.

CALL TO ORDER: 7:53 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present: Commissioners SPIEGELMAN, SCHREIBER, ROTHMAN, KALINOSKI
Excused: BOWMAN

Township Manager MANFREDI
Township Solicitor CLARKE
Director of Community Development STROTHER
Director of Library HAMMEKE-MARSHALL

Also Present: Commissioners LUKER, HECKER, MYERS, SANCHEZ, MARKMAN, DiPLACIDO, ZAPPONE, GILLESPIE

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Commissioner Schreiber announced that the Summer Youth Meal Program has been ongoing and continues to grow. She thanked Mr. Van Strother for his hard work as well as Commissioners Kalinoski and Myers. The program is held Monday through Friday from 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. until August 18th at Crestmont Pool area.

MINUTES:

Commissioner Spiegelman made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Rothman to approve the minutes of the May 31, 2017 Public Affairs Committee Meeting.

MOTION was ADOPTED 4-0.

Resolution No. 17-020 - One Year Action Plan and Community Development Block Grant Budget

Commissioner Spiegelman made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Kalinoski to adopt Resolution No. 17-020 approving Abington Township's 2017 One-Year Action Plan and Community Development Block Grant Budget.

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

Commissioner Spiegelman asked for any public comments.

Lora Lehmann, 1431 Bryant Lane, commented that she feels “HUD monies are intended for the needy and should not be used for public works projects.”

MOTION was ADOPTED 4-0.

Abington Free Library Condenser Replacement Project

Commissioner Spiegelman made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Kalinoski to accept bid from Hirschberg Mechanical, LLC in the amount of \$102,545. \$84,000 expense to come from Account No. 07-23-071-7494 with the additional expense to come from permanent improvement fund balance.

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

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

MOTION was ADOPTED 4-0.

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

Lora Lehmann, 1431 Bryant Lane, expressed concern that she feels “lawyers go to court on our behalf with a great deal of taxpayers’ money,” and she asked for a list of court dates.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard J. Manfredi, Township Manager/Secretary

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