

RICHLAND TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

November 26, 2007

PUBLIC MEETING

The Richland Township Board of Supervisors meeting held at the municipal building on Monday, November 26, 2007 was called to order at 7:00 PM. by Vice Chairman Kendrick. There were three people present in the audience. The Officials present were:

Raymond P. Kendrick, Vice Chairman
George P. Allen, Supervisor
Brian M. O'Malley, Supervisor
John A. Pasquinelli, Supervisor

Dean E. Bastianini, Township Secretary
Tina L. Shaw, Recording Secretary
Charles Means, Esquire

Mr. Allen made a motion to approve the minutes from the Public Meeting of November 7, 2007. Mr. O'Malley seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

The Secretary read the Treasurer's report for the period ending October 31, 2007.

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| General Fund | \$355,778 | N.H. Sobriety Checkpoint | \$ 90.00 |
| Street Light Tax Fund | 906 | Municipal Bldg Capital Fund | 215,475 |
| Municipal Impact Fee TSA #1 | 107,948 | Hwy Capital Improvement Reserve | 195,438 |
| Municipal Impact Fee TSA #2 | 1,220,849 | General Capital Reserve | 511,661 |
| Sewer Fund | 292,819 | Sewer Capital Reserve | 1,651,954 |
| 2003 Bond Issue | 1,492,687 | Highway Aid Fund | 208 |
| 2007 General Obligation Bond | 3,060,228 | Municipal Pension Fund | 719,638 |

Mr. Allen made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Mr. O'Malley seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Mr. Allen made a motion to approve the bills payable. Mr. O'Malley seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

CORRESPONDENCE

Wendy Macik, Summit Street Representative

A letter of complaint with regards to Vogel Disposal emptying the municipal building dumpsters after business hours, and requesting the Township to amend the waste contract requiring garbage collection in a residential neighborhood to be conducted during business hours.

The Secretary said that Vogel can be requested to comply with Ms. Macik's request, however, the Township cannot make them, since Township regulations permit commercial collections between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m.

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Allegheny County Boroughs Association

An announcement that the Association's annual banquet will be held on February 2, 2007 at the Westin Convention Center in Pittsburgh.

Mr. Allen made a motion authorizing the Supervisors to attend the banquet with the Township meeting the expense. Mr. O'Malley seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Robert Bergdahl, 224 Elmhurst Circle

A letter stating that he is interested in purchasing two doors from the former sergeant's offices.

There was a consensus among the Supervisors that they did not want to dispose of items on a piece meal basis.

Clifford Elms, Real Estate Tax Collector

A letter of resignation from his position as Richland Township Real Estate Tax Collector effective January 1, 2008.

Mr. Allen made a motion to accept Mr. Elms' resignation effective January 1, 2008. Mr. O'Malley seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

The Secretary and Solicitor are investigating procedures for appointing a replacement.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Allen made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 425 amending Chapter 24, of the Codified Code by restating Part 1, "Emergency Municipal Services Tax", imposing a "Local Services Tax" and authorizing rules for the administration and collection of such tax. Mr. O'Malley seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Mr. Means explained that State law mandates that the Township do this. There will be two major changes: 1) the exemption threshold will be raised to \$12,000; and 2) the amount of the tax (\$52.00) will be taken out of employee pay checks weekly.

Mr. Allen made a motion adopting the tax rules and regulations for the administration of the Local Services Tax, including procedures and official forms for claiming exemptions and refunds. Mr. O'Malley seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Mr. Allen made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 21 of 2007 ratifying the action of the Northern Regional Police Board relative to the 2008 employee contribution to the Police Pension Plan. Mr. Pasquinelli seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Mr. Allen made a motion to condition acceptance of the conservation parcel in the Grandview Crossing Plan, as recommended by the Planning Commission, upon the developer agreeing to pay for the planting of two thirds of an acre of new native, diverse trees, and eleven shade trees along the western side of Grandview Crossings Drive. The location and types of trees shall be determined by an arborist with experience and expertise in re-vegetation, and the reforestation plan shall be subject to acceptance by the Township. The developer shall also bond or otherwise guarantee the survival of all trees for a period of four years. Mr. O'Malley seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Mr. Kendrick asked the Solicitor what the Township can do to clean up the Pittsburgh Cut Flower property.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina L. Shaw
Recording Secretary