

**REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING
JUNE 5, 2017**

- MEMBERS PRESENT** Thomas Nolan, Vice-President
Malissa Davis, Commissioner
Kim Jenkins, Commissioner
- MEMBERS ABSENT** Michael Hudak, President
Pat Breslin, Commissioner
- OTHERS PRESENT** James Broughal, Township Solicitor
Melissa Shafer, Township Manager
Doug Bruce, Assistant Township Manager
Nathan Jones, Planning Director
- CALL TO ORDER** President Hudak called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m., and led those in attendance in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.
- COURTESY OF THE FLOOR** There were no comments or questions during Courtesy of the Floor.
- APPROVAL OF MINUTES** Upon motion (Davis-Jenkins), the Board of Commissioners voted by voice vote to approve the minutes of the May 15, 2017 regular public meeting as presented. Mr. Hudak and Mr. Breslin were absent.
- PUBLIC HEARINGS**
- ORDINANCE NO. 05-17** **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 252, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, ARTICLE II, TRAFFIC, AND SECTION 252-25, STOP INTERSECTIONS, OF THE CODE OF CODIFIED ORDINANCES TO PROVIDE CHANGES TO THE STOP INTERSECTIONS LOCATED WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF BETHLEHEM**
- Upon motion (Jenkins-Davis), the Board of Commissioners unanimously voted by voice vote to adopt Ordinance No. 05-17 amending Chapter 252, Vehicles and Traffic, Article II, Traffic, and Section 252-25, Stop Intersections, of the Code of Codified Ordinances to provide changes to the stop intersections located within the Township of Bethlehem. Mr. Hudak and Mr. Breslin were absent.
- ORDINANCE NO. 06-17** **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE FINANCING OF CERTAIN COSTS FOR THE BRODHEAD ROAD REHABILITATION PROJECT, BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY CENTER REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY CENTER IMPROVEMENTS, ARCHIBALD JOHNSTON MANSION STABILIZATION AND RENOVATION PROJECT, AND PURCHASE OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND FIRE RESCUE EQUIPMENT FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF BETHLEHEM, NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, BY THE ISSUE OF A GENERAL OBLIGATION NOTE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,000,000; FIXING THE FORM, NUMBER, DATE, INTEREST, AND MATURITY THEREOF; MAKING A COVENANT FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE DEBT SERVICE ON THE NOTES; PROVIDING**

FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A SINKING FUND DEPOSITORY FOR NOTES; AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION, SALE, AND DELIVERY THEREOF

Upon motion (Davis-Jenkins), the Board of Commissioners unanimously voted by voice vote to adopt Ordinance No. 06-17 authorizing the financing of certain costs for the Brodhead Road Rehabilitation Project, Bethlehem Township Community Center Repairs and Improvement Project, Bethlehem Township Community Center improvements, Archibald Johnston Mansion Stabilization and Renovation Project, and purchase of public safety and fire rescue equipment for the Township of Bethlehem, Northampton County, Pennsylvania, by the issue of a general obligation note in the amount of \$5,000,000; fixing the form, number, date, interest, and maturity thereof; making a covenant for the payment of the debt service on the notes; providing for the appointment of a sinking fund depository for notes; and authorizing execution, sale, and delivery thereof. Mr. Hudak and Mr. Breslin were absent.

CONDITIONAL USE HEARING

RESOLUTION R047-17 A RESOLUTION GRANTING THE CONDITIONAL USE AND CONDITIONAL SITE PLAN APPROVAL OF QUADCO LLC MEDICAL MARIJUANA DISPENSARY

Upon motion (Davis-Jenkins), the Board of Commissioners unanimously voted by voice vote to approve Resolution R047-17 granting the conditional use and conditional site plan approval of Quadco LLC medical marijuana dispensary. Mr. Hudak and Mr. Breslin were absent.

SUBDIVISIONS & LAND DEVELOPMENT

RESOLUTION R051-17 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TRAFFIC PLANNING & DESIGN INC. TO FILE AN APPLICATION FOR HIGHWAY OCCUPANCY PERMIT WITH THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ON BEHALF OF BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP RELATED TO THE ANNUNCIATION HELLENIC ORTHODOX CHURCH PROJECT

Upon motion (Jenkins-Davis), the Board of Commissioners unanimously voted by voice vote to approve Resolution R051-17 authorizing Traffic Planning & Design Inc. to file an Application for Highway Occupancy Permit with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation on behalf of Bethlehem Township related to the Annunciation Hellenic Orthodox Church project. Mr. Hudak and Mr. Breslin were absent.

RESOLUTION R052-17 A RESOLUTION GRANTING A ONE-YEAR EXTENSION TO THE FREEMANSBURG SQUARE LAND DEVELOPMENT PRELIMINARY/FINAL PLAN APPROVAL

Upon motion (Davis-Nolan), the Board of Commissioners voted by voice vote to approve Resolution R052-17 granting a one-year extension to complete the conditions to the Freemansburg Square Land Development Preliminary/Final Plan approval. The motion passed 2-1. Mrs. Jenkins opposed. Mr. Hudak and Mr.

Breslin were absent.

**RESOLUTIONS OF THE
BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS**

**RESOLUTION R048-17 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION FOR THE
BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP DUI ENFORCEMENT PROJECT GRANT
FROM THE PENNSYLVANIA BUREAU OF HIGHWAY SAFETY AND
TRAFFIC ENGINEERING AND AUTHORIZING SERGEANT DARYL
LAPOINTE AS PROJECT DIRECTOR**

Upon motion (Jenkins-Davis), the Board of Commissioners unanimously voted by voice vote to approve Resolution R048-17 authorizing an application for the Bethlehem Township DUI Enforcement Project grant from the Pennsylvania Bureau of Highway Safety and Traffic Engineering and authorizing Sergeant Daryl LaPointe as project director. Mr. Hudak and Mr. Breslin were absent.

**RESOLUTION R049-17 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ATTENDANCE OF
INVESTIGATOR EDWARD FOX AT A CRIME SCENE PHOTOGRAPHY
COURSE JUNE 12-16, 2017, IN HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA**

Upon motion (Davis-Jenkins), the Board of Commissioners unanimously voted by voice vote to approve Resolution R049-17 authorizing the attendance of Investigator Edward Fox at a crime scene photography course June 12-16, 2017, in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. Mr. Hudak and Mr. Breslin were absent.

**RESOLUTION R050-17 A RESOLUTION AWARDED THE CONTRACT FOR THE BRODHEAD
ROAD REHABILITATION PROJECT**

Upon motion (Jenkins-Davis), the Board of Commissioners unanimously voted by voice vote to approve Resolution R050-17 awarding the contract for the Brodhead Road Rehabilitation Project to the H & K Group, Inc., for an amount of \$2,350,018.58. Mr. Hudak and Mr. Breslin were absent.

**APPROVAL OF
PURCHASE ORDERS PO 20171214 – BRIAN’S PROFESSIONAL CLEANING – PPIS – \$2,200.00
PO 20171215 – BRIAN’S PROFESSIONAL CLEANING – PPIS – \$2,300.00
PO 20171216 – CDW GOVERNMENT INC. – PPIS – \$2,660.59
PO 20171217 – STEPHEN SONDSHEIM THEATRE – BTCC – \$2,960.00**

Upon motion (Jenkins-Davis), the Board of Commissioners unanimously voted by voice vote to approve Purchase Orders PO 20171214, PO 20171215, PO 20171216, and PO 20171217 as presented. Mr. Hudak and Mr. Breslin were absent.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

BTCC MEMBERSHIPS Mrs. Shafer explained that the community center serves the residents and the community and would like to extend a level of discount to township employees as well as to the volunteers of the fire companies. Mr. Nolan commented that this is an excellent recommendation. Mrs. Jenkins stated that this is a wonderful idea and the many companies today have similar incentives. Mrs. Davis agreed.

Upon motion (Jenkins-Davis), the Board of Commissioners unanimously voted by

voice vote to direct the Township Manager and Township Solicitor to create a policy. Mr. Hudak and Mr. Breslin were absent.

**POTENTIAL
LEGISLATION
RELATED TO ATV
USE**

Mr. Nolan said he met with resident Susan Snyder and saw first-hand her situation. He said Lower Saucon Township has an ordinance which restricts the use of ATV vehicles within 100 feet from the property line, enforceable by the police department. He said the key is distance and believes there should be some level of control and enforcement. Mrs. Snyder said she has lived in her home for 27 years and the ATV's are driven 15 feet away from her home. The noise and dust caused by them makes it unbearable for her to grill and watch television.

Upon motion (Davis-Jenkins), the Board of Commissioners unanimously voted by voice vote to direct the Township Manager and Township Solicitor to create an ordinance for ATV usage within Bethlehem Township. Mr. Hudak and Mr. Breslin were absent.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, upon motion (Davis-Jenkins), the Board of Commissioners unanimously voted by voice vote to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m. Mr. Hudak and Mr. Breslin were absent.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Zapata
Recording Secretary