

Township of Marple
Board of Commissioners - Joseph A. Rufo, President

MINUTES

Work Session – February 13, 2023 – 6:30 pm

- ◆ President Commissioner Rufo called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:30 pm on Monday, February 13, 2023 and led the pledge of allegiance.

◆ **Present @ Roll Call**

Commissioners: – Joseph Rufo (1st Ward) - Robert Knapp (2nd Ward) - Robert Fortebuono (3rd Ward) - John Lucas (4th Ward) - John Longacre (5th Ward)

Absent/Excused: Michael Molinaro (6th Ward)

Staff: Lawrence Gentile, Township Manager - Sharon Angelaccio, Township Secretary – Adam Matlawski, Township Solicitor – Christine McMenammin, Finance Director - Joseph Mastronardo, Township Engineer and Brandon Graeff, Chief of Police.

- ◆ Executive Session - held prior to the meeting to discuss Personnel, Real Estate and Litigation
Additional Agenda items – Solicitor to attend 2/15 Zoning Meeting to oppose Zoning Application (1 Forrest Lane).

Announcements – N/A

1. **Marple Tree Commission Stewardship Award** – The Delsorto residents for their Asian Persimmon tree

2. Staff Reports

- Joseph Mastronardo, Engineer reported agenda items as well as 23 road program, recycling grant and phcc construction bids.
- Brandon Graeff, Chief of Police reported on a drug bust actually did not happen in our town, but marple hosted announcement. Status for the month and wished Dave Lerro well, he took a job in Florida.
- Larry Gentile, Manager reported Code items, 126 permits to date planning and zoning cases. Ongoing projects new bathrooms, bocce courts and adult exercise area at Vets Park. Township Newsletter out.
- Christine McMenammin, Finance reported disbursement & check register and some house keeping items.

3. Finance:

- a.) Disbursement Report and Check Register #2023-2

4. Administration:

- a.) Board Minutes (1/3/23 Reorg, WS & Regular Mtg 1/20/23 Special Meeting)
- b.) Proposed Resolution – Appointment 7th Ward Commissioner
- c.) Nomination – Vice President, Board of Commissioners
- d.) Proposed Resolution – Civil Service Rules and Regulations (Sect. 304) Amendment
- e.) Escrow release #1 Final – Federal Realty Trust – Lawrence Park (Outparcel)
- f.) Capital Purchase – Resurface hockey rink, Highland Avenue

5. Other Business

6. Adjourn – With no further business for the Board, the Work Session was adjourned at 6:55 pm and began the Regular Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon L. Angelaccio, Township Secretary

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Regular Meeting – February 13, 2023 – 7:00 pm

- ◆ President Commissioner Rufo called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 pm on Monday, February 13, 2023, immediately following the Boards Work Session.

- ◆ **Present @ Roll Call**

Commissioners: – Joseph Rufo (1st ward) - Robert Knapp (2nd ward) - Robert Fortebuono (3rd ward) - John Lucas (4th ward) - John Longacre (5th ward)

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- ◆ Additional Agenda items – Solicitor attend Zoning Meeting to oppose an application.

Announcements – N/A

1. Public Forum

- Diana Breen, Tree Commission updates

- 2. Nomination – Vice President, Board of Commissioners** – On a motion by Commissioner Lucas nominating Commissioner Robert Fortebuono Vice President of the Board of Commissioners for the year 2023.

- 3. Resolution #8003 – Appointment of Seventh Ward Commissioner** – On a motion by Commissioner Lucas, and seconded by Commissioner Longacre to adopt Resolution #8003. Appointing Michael May, Jr. of 3 Guernsey Lane, Media PA Marple Township as Commissioner of the Seventh Ward of Marple Township, County of Delaware, to serve until the first Monday in January of 2024 in compliance with the First-Class Township Code, as amended, the vote being unanimous. (5-0)

- ◆ **Oath of Office– Newly Elected Officials** by the Honorable John P. Capuzzi, Sr., Judge - Court of Common Pleas administered the Oath of Office to Michael May, Jr. – 7th Ward Commissioner. Mike’s wife Christine and children were by his side. Congratulations Mike!!

- 4. Board Minutes (1/3/23 Reorg, WS & Regular Mtg 1/20/23 Special Meeting)** - On a motion by Commissioner Lucas, and seconded by Commissioner Longacre to approve the January 3, 2023, Reorganization, Work Session and Regular Meeting Minutes and further the January 20, 2023, Special Meeting of the Board, the vote being unanimously. (6-0)

- 5. Disbursement Report and Check Register #2023-2** – On a motion by Commissioner Lucas, and seconded by Commissioner Longacre to approve the 2023-2 Disbursement report and check register, the vote being unanimous. (6-0)

6. Resolution #8002 – Civil Service Rules and Regulations (Sect. 304) Amendment

– On a motion by Commissioner Lucas and seconded by Commissioner Longacre to adopt Resolution #8002 amending the Civil Service Commission rules and regulations, specifically section 304, as outlined in said Resolution and as recommended by the Civil Service Commission and Superintendent of Police, the vote being unanimous. (6-0)

7. Escrow Release #1 Final – Federal Realty Investment Trust – Citizens Bank (Out Parcel) \$151,885.53

– On a motion by Commissioner Lucas, and seconded by Commissioner Longacre to approve Escrow Release # 1 Final in the amount of \$151,885.53 to Federal Realty Investment Trust for work completed and as recommended by the Township Engineer, the vote being unanimous. (6-0)

8. Capital purchase – Resurfacing hockey Rink – Highland Avenue

– On a motion by Commissioner Longacre, and seconded by Commissioner Lucas to authorize the proper Township Officials to move forward with the following capital purchases through PA State or Costars Contracts as outlined in said quote to resurface the inline hockey rink on Highland Avenue, price not to exceed 52,605.00, the vote being unanimous. (6-0)

9. Zoning Hearing Meeting – Solicitor Attendance

– On a motion by Commissioner Longacre and seconded by Commissioner Lucas to direct to Township Solicitor to attend and oppose the Zoning Code on application of Father Reiley – Potomac Pastoral Center, Inc. (5 to 7 priest living in a single family dwelling) 1 Forrest Lane, the vote being unanimous. (6-0)

10. Other Business

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11. Adjourn – With no further business for the Board, the Regular Meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon L. Angelaccio, Township Secretary