

**MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
PUBLIC MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 22, 2014**

**PRESENT**

<b>PAT MALLON, CHAIRPERSON</b>	}	
<b>H. GEORGE LEONHAUSER, VICE CHAIR</b>	}	
<b>DREW KREILING, SECRETARY</b>	}	<b>BOARD OF SUPERVISORS</b>
<b>THOMAS GALLAGHER</b>	}	
<b>WILLIAM OETTINGER</b>	}	
<b>STEPHANIE TEOLI KUHLs, TOWNSHIP MANAGER</b>		
<b>JOSEPH PIZZO, ESQ., TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR</b> ( <i>Arrived at 7:40 p.m.</i> )		
<b>FRANK MCKENNA, FORMER CHIEF OF POLICE</b>		

1. Call to order, pledge of allegiance, and roll call.

Mr. Mallon called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Mr. Kreiling called roll. All Supervisors were in attendance along with many interested citizens.

2. Announcements, correspondence, awards and reports.

- a. Next Board of Supervisors Meeting – **Monday, October 20, 2014 @7:30 p.m.**

Mr. Mallon advised that an Executive Session was held prior to the Public Meeting this evening to discuss Personnel matters and no decisions were made.

3. Public Comment. *Non-Agenda Items only.* (Maximum 30 minutes)

Almando Carrasquillo, resident of the Laurel Oaks Development and a member of the Laurel Oaks Home Owners Association provided information concerning a request for a crosswalk at the Laurel Oaks entrance on Langhorne-Yardley Road to the Middletown Township Community Park. Mr. Carrasquillo went into great detail about the safety issues of traversing to the Community Park.

Mr. Carrasquillo welcomed the new Chief of Police and congratulated him.

Mr. Mallon directed Ms. Teoli Kuhls to check into this issue and get back to Mr. Carrasquillo with information.

4. **Consent Agenda Items.**

- a. Consideration of authorizing payment of September 22, 2014 Bill List in the amount of \$1,710,289.07.
  - b. Consideration of approving the September 8, 2014 Minutes of the Public Meeting of the Middletown Township Board of Supervisors.

- c. Consideration of approving the Big Oak Crossing, K. Hovnanian Homes escrow release in the amount of \$125,722.61.

**ACTION:** MR. KREILING MOVED TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS A THRU C AS LISTED ABOVE. MR. LEONHAUSER SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.

5. Consideration of enacting Resolution #14-25R Intergovernmental Agreement to participate in a Joint RDA Grant application for Towns Against Graffiti.

Ms. Teoli Kuhls advised that each year the Township participates with surrounding municipalities in Towns Against Graffiti. The Township's annual contribution is \$5,000. The proposed resolution authorizes applying to the RDA for the total amount of \$165,000.

**ACTION:** MR. LEONHAUSER MOVED TO ENACT RESOLUTION #14-25R INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT TO PARTICIPATE IN A JOINT RDA GRANT APPLICATION FOR TOWNS AGAINST GRAFFITI. MR. KREILING SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.

6. Consideration of enacting Resolution #14-26R authorizing application to the 2014 PECO Green Region 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Bonus Round Grant for the outdoor classroom at Detective Christopher Jones Memorial Park Project.

Ms. Teoli Kuhls advised that this is a bonus round for the PECO Green Region Grant. The Township has applied for and received this grant in the past. Five (5) grants are going to be award, one per county. The Township is going to apply for a \$9,000 project to partner with the Boy Scout, Cub Scout and Girl Scout troops to install an outdoor classroom and nature trail at the Detective Christopher Jones Memorial Park. There is no match required for this grant.

**ACTION:** MR. LEONHAUSER MOVED TO ENACT RESOLUTION #14-26R AUTHORIZING APPLICATION TO THE 2014 PECO GREEN REGION 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY BONUS ROUND GRANT FOR THE OUTDOOR CLASSROOM AT DETECTIVE CHRISTOPHER JONES MEMORIAL PARK PROJECT. MR. KREILING SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.

7. Consideration of a Preliminary/Final Land Development approval for BAPS Temple building addition, 1561 S. Woodbourne Road, Levittown, PA 19057, TMP 22-055-222, S/LD #14-04.

Himansu N. Patel, P.E., Unitech Engineers, represented the applicant Baps Temple. Mr. Patel advised that BAPS Temple proposes to remove an existing residential building and construct a 7,025 square foot addition to the existing 19,764 square foot temple. The addition includes living quarters, a men's dining hall and a gymnasium. Modifications to the existing basin are also proposed.

**ACTION:** MR. GALLAGHER MOVED TO APPROVE PRELIMINARY AND FINAL LAND DEVELOPMENT APPROVAL FOR APPLICATION S/LD 14-04 TO THE BAPS TEMPLE, FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1561 S. WOODBOURNE ROAD, LEVITTOWN, PA, TAX PARCEL 22-055-222, SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:

1. The Applicant must obtain all necessary approvals of any and all governmental entities with jurisdiction over the property or over this proposed land development not already obtained by the applicant.
2. The Applicant will comply with the determinations and requirements of the Township Engineer, including those set forth in his Engineering Review Letter dated August 26, 2014, and with the determinations and requirements of the Township Traffic Engineer, the Township Solicitor and the Township Zoning Officer, to their satisfaction and in their sole discretion.
3. The Applicant is granted the following waivers from the Township Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance:
  - a. From Section 301.E to allow a concurrent Preliminary and Final Land Development Plan approval, on the condition that the applicant will pay all fees associated with both Preliminary Approval and Final Approval;
  - b. From Section 410.B to not require curb and sidewalk along Woodbourne Road
4. The applicant will comply with the recommendations of the Planning Commission.
5. Applicant will pay a fee in lieu of curb and sidewalk in the amount of \$15,895, as well as all other fees and charges of the Township of any kind that are applicable to the subject property and/or applicable to this proposed land development.

MR. MALLON SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.

8. Consideration of approval of Ordinance #14-05 approving, adopting and enacting the Codification of Township Ordinances. (Duly advertised in the *Bucks County Courier Times* on September 15, 2014; proof of publication has been received.)

Ms. Teoli Kuhls advised that this is a follow up to the Board's authorization to advertise the ordinance and will put into place the codification of the ordinances. The codification will be available on the Township's website and will be fully searchable through eCode.

**ACTION:** MR. MALLON MOVED TO ENACT ORDINANCE #14-05 APPROVING, ADOPTING AND ENACTING THE CODIFICATION OF TOWNSHIP ORDINANCES. MR. OETTINGER SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.

9. Consideration of enacting Resolution #14-27R for Official Sewage Facilities Plan Revision for Wells Fargo Bank at the Lowes Home Center, E. Lincoln Highway, Langhorne, PA 19047, TMP 22-042-016, S/LD #14-05.

Ms. Teoli Kuhls advised that the Board of Supervisors approved in July the Land Development for the Wells Fargo Bank in the Lowes Home Center parking lot. This resolution permits Wells Fargo to apply to DEP for an amendment or revision to our official sewage facilities plan. This resolution formalizes and allows the applicant to submit the module to DEP.

**ACTION: MR. GALLAGHER MOVED TO ENACT RESOLUTION #14-27R FOR OFFICIAL SEWAGE FACILITIES PLAN REVISION FOR WELLS FARGO BANK AT THE LOWES HOME CENTER, E. LINCOLN HIGHWAY, LANGHORNE, PA, TMP #22-042-016, S/LD #14-05. MR. KREILING SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.**

***SWEARING IN OF CHIEF OF POLICE.***

10. Consideration of appointing Joseph Bartorilla as Chief of Police of Middletown Township and executing an Employment Contract to commence September 22, 2014.

Mr. Mallon explained that this was an exhaustive search with over 60 applicants for the position of Chief of Police. This was an extensive process with the culmination of interviews, videos, assessments, work assessments, problems that were presented to all of the applicants where they were graded and judged. Finally there were interviews by the Board.

Mr. Mallon believes that we have found an exceptional individual. One that brings more than 20 years of law enforcement experience with the Philadelphia Police Department. Mr. Bartorilla's career includes 18 years of management and command experience with his most recent position being that of an inspector. Mr. Bartorilla holds a Bachelor's Degree in Public Administration and a Master's of Administration and Science degree from Farleigh Dickinson University. He is also a graduate of the FBI National Academy and Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command and the Police Executive Research Forum Senior Management Institute.

Mr. Mallon welcomed Mr. Bartorilla's wife, Tracey along with his two children, John and Aurora who were in attendance for this special occasion.

**ACTION: MR. MALLON MOVED TO APPOINT JOSEPH BARTORILLA AS CHIEF OF POLICE OF MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP AND EXECUTE AN EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT TO COMMENCED SEPTEMBER 22, 2014. MR. GALLAGHER SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.**

Judge John J. Kelly administered the oath to newly hired Chief Joseph Bartorilla.

Chief Bartorilla said he is honored by this opportunity and acknowledged the men and women of the Middletown Police Department that are in attendance this evening. He stated that he is looking forward to leading the Township's Police Department and working very closely with each and every one of the members of the Police Department.

Chief Bartorilla thanked his beautiful family and friends present to support him. There is no way he would be in this position if it weren't for the support of a lot of the special people, many of whom are present this evening. Chief Bartorilla said he is not the kind of chief that will come in at 8:00 a.m. and go in his office and close the door, he is going to be out in the community. He thanked the Board of Supervisors stating they were the best, most professional body of elected officials he has ever worked with. He has worked with some really good elected officials in Philadelphia, but this is by far the most professional body of elected officials that he has ever worked with.

Chief Bartorilla stated that Stephanie Teoli Kuhls, his new boss, is a consummate professional every step of the way.

Mr. Mallon invited Chief Bartorilla to the first Breakfast with the Board Meeting to be held on October 22, 2014. Mr. Mallon thanked everyone for coming out this evening and stated there are refreshments being served in the lobby immediately following the adjournment of the public meeting.

11. Other Business.

All of the Board members wished Chief Bartorilla well and welcomed him to Middletown Township as the newly hired Chief of Police.

Mr. Pizzo welcomed the Chief also and apologized for arriving late for the meeting as he was at the Welcome Home for the Honor Flight. There were 6 buses of veterans from WWII and Korea that went to Washington, D.C. today and were welcomed home by several hundred residents and family members. The Neshaminy High School Band and the Bensalem High School Band along with the Council Rock Choir were also present.

12. Other public comment. (Only applicable if initial Public Comment period exceeds the 30 minute time limit.)

13. Adjournment.

**ACTION: MR. GALLAGHER MOVED TO ADJOURN THE PUBLIC MEETING OF THE MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AT 8:09 P.M. MR. KREILING SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.**