

TOWNSHIP OF NORTH HUNTINGDON, BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL MEETING, THURSDAY, JANUARY 13, 2022, 7:00 P.M.
11279 Center Highway, North Huntingdon, PA 15642
Presiding Officer – Zachary Haigis, President, Board of Commissioners

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Haigis called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Commissioner Stump Present
Commissioner Atwood Present
Commissioner Gray Present
Commissioner Zona Present
Commissioner Wengrzyn Present
Commissioner Gass Present
Commissioner Haigis Present

Also Present:
Mike Turley
Solicitor Dice
Ryan Fonzi

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITIZENS INPUT

None.

Work Sessions Discussion Topics

1) HVAC Warranty - Discussion.

Mike Turley states substantial hvac work is being done in the Town House and a question arose in December from Commissioner Atwood related to extended warranties. A memo was sent with two recommended options, one being a five year parts warranty including compressor and circuit board for three thousand two hundred and fifty dollars. The other option is a five year compressor only warranty for two thousand two hundred dollars. The warranty needs to be in place before it leaves the factory.

Commissioner Gray asks what the normal warranty is.

Mike Turley states the warranty is one year for parts and labor.

Commissioner Gray states he is not a fan of extended warranties.

Commissioner Atwood asks when did the issues with the previous system begin.

Mike Turley states problems began essentially the day it was put in because it was not sized properly and wasn't the right system for the building.

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Commissioner Gass asks Mike to restate what is covered in the five year, three thousand dollar extended warranty option. Mike states it covers parts including the compressor and circuit board. Commissioner Gass asks if anyone has priced the air compressor or circuit board because that might legitimize the extended warranty. Mike states he can look into it. Commissioner Gass states he would be in favor of the three thousand dollar warranty. Commissioner Stump states she would be opposed as well as Commissioner Zona.

2) Opioid Settlement Agreement – discussion.

Mike Turley states there is a draft resolution of the Attorney General's opioid settlement agreement and will put it on next week's agenda for a vote.

3) Waste Management Automated Transition – discussion.

Mike Turley states Jim Queen and Al Pasquarelli from Waste Management are present at this meeting to answer any questions. He states there have been a few issues in rolling out the automated service and thought it would be a good idea for them to give an update on the deliveries of the carts, accounts, etc. Jim Queen states he is the District Manager locally out of the Leger Road location. He states toders have been delivered and have been working at a very fast pace and in a matter of three and a half weeks have delivered twenty six thousands carts. He states they were working off a list from County Hauling that was not accurate and at least four hundred homes were not even listed. He states as of today, there are approximately two hundred residents that wanted to change their carts and changes have been accommodated. He also states they have hired twenty additional drivers and five million dollars worth of new trucks. The call centers have been provided with the specifics of the contract and each truck is provided with tablets to keep the accounts updated.

Commissioner Zona thanks both Jim and Al and states he could not imagine the monumental task in starting the contract. He states from what he has seen and heard, that the transition went farely well and the vast majority of citizens have been served properly.

Jim Queen adds that the drivers have stated how well the residents are adjusting to the automated service and using the proper carts provided from Waste Management.

Commissioner Atwood also thanks Waste Management with issues that came to him being taken care of quickly.

Commissioner Wengrzyn asks if it is the same truck that picks up the trash and recycling. Jim Queen states they are not the same truck and look identical. Commissioner Wengrzyn asks if they are taking all plastics and glass. Jim Queen state plastics #1 - #5, no plastic bags and all glass. He also states the carts must be three feet apart for collection.

Commissioner Stump asks if a senior can put a plastic bag inside a can to avoid animal damage. Jim Queen states they discussed this extensively and the short answer is it cannot be in a can. Commissioner Stump asks if there is an extra bag, what is the policy. Jim Queen states they have to call in advance and is a charge per bag to be pre-paid. Commissioner Stump asks if residents

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have old cans to dispose of, will Waste Management take them. Jim Queen states they will take them as long as they are marked. Commissioner Stump asks what happens if a can is damaged. Jim Queen states they should call in and report the damage and it will be repaired or replaced.

PLANNING / ENGINEERING TOPICS:

1) Kenny Ross Mazda Site Alterations.

Ryan Fonzi states there is an issue in the field and are proposing some changes to get out of the way of a discovered gas line. The gas line runs on a vacated right of way and running in such a way that it's interfering with the curb on the western edge of the parking lot and light poles. The first thing to do would be to eliminate the curb on the western side, move the light poles and shorten some parking spaces. He states they didn't feel this was a big deal as this is an inventory lot and no public or customers will enter onto the lot. Also, there is a small addition being proposed to accommodate compressor equipment that was larger than anticipated. The final item was to install a flag pole. The Planning Commission recommends approval.

2) S-25-2021, Tomasic Consolidation, Woodside Drive, R-4 Zoning
****Proposed consolidation involving two adjoining lots on Woodside Drive.***

Ryan Fonzi states this on Woodside Drive where Denise & Thomas Tomasic reside on a lot just under a half an acre and the large lot next to it is also owned by them. He states they want to consolidate the lots and the resulting lot will be almost nineteen and a half acres. The Planning Commission recommends approval.

FURTHER BOARD COMMENTS

Commissioner Atwood would like to discuss the potential redistricting in the Township and dividing North Huntingdon Township into two separate legislative districts. He states he is opposed to this and feels the Township should be as one. Mike Turley states the letter was already been sent with the Board signing off on it.

ADJOURNMENT


Motion: Commissioner Zona
Second: Commissioner Gray

Motion to adjourn.
Motion carried 7 – 0 – 0 (7:55 P.M.)

- Special Meeting minutes of January 13, 2022 were approved by the Board of Commissioners on February 16, 2022.



Michael Turley, Interim Township Secretary
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Zachary Haigis, President

