

**TOWNSHIP OF NORTH HUNTINGDON, BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING, WEDNESDAY, JULY 20, 2016, 7:00 P.M.
11279 Center Highway, North Huntingdon, PA 15642
Presiding Officer – Tony Martino, President, Board of Commissioners**

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Commissioner Herold	Present	Also Present:
Commissioner Haigis	Present	John Shepherd
Commissioner Bertani	Absent	Michael Turley
Commissioner Gray	Present	Solicitor Craig Alexander
Commissioner Faccenda	Present	Andrew Blenko
Commissioner Kucera	Present	Rich Albert
Commissioner Martino	Present	Dan Miller
		Lieutenant Mahinske

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

OPENING PRAYER

The opening prayer was given by Reverend Terry Erwin from Norwin Christian Church.

CITIZENS' INPUT

1. Bob Stone ó 808 Colonial Manor Road ó states Parker Drive is on the agenda but he wants to talk about the truck / tri axle traffic on Colonial Manor Road. It seems it is a cut through from Route 30 to Lincoln Way. In working with George Dunbar, the road was posted by the State, but he was told it would be up to the Township to post Parker Drive. The trucks could be up to seventy to eighty thousand pounds when full. Five trucks from the company named Fawcett came down the road at the same time. He feels something needs to be done about the truck traffic and the speed they travel.
2. John Watson ó 10409 Washington Avenue ó states he wants to know from the Board whether they have decided to meet with the police officers who have filed a suit against the Township for the military pay dispute.

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3. Wayne Maddock ó 2021 Thomas Drive, White Oak 15131 ó states he is here with several of his neighbors in attempt to get them recognized as North Huntingdon 15642 instead of White Oak 15131. He states the White Oak zip code causing them numerous issues. He states they pay their taxes to North Huntingdon, school taxes to Norwin, and pay Westmoreland County taxes, however they do not enjoy the same things in the Township. They pay seven percent sales tax on a major purchases and their insurance premiums are higher for car and homeowner insurance. They get called for Allegheny jury duty. The Pennsaver costs them fifty two dollars a year, where Township residents get it for free. The Greensburg Tribune will no longer deliver the newspaper and they cannot even get pizza delivered from North Huntingdon because it is a White Oak address. He states his neighbors with young children have to prove with tax receipts from Westmoreland County for their kids to play sports in North Huntingdon or to go to Stewartsville school or to join the Norwin Public Library. He knows this has been attempted in the past with no success, but they feel things have changed since the last attempt in 2001. The McKeesport and Irwin Postmaster both felt this was a doable thing, but the Postmaster in Pittsburgh shut it down in 2000. When Bartley Court was developed, they were given 15642 with a North Huntingdon address. He hopes the Board will support them with setting up a meeting with the post office as was done in 2000.

4. Dan McDonald ó 2071 Thomas Drive ó states their taxes are paid to North Huntingdon, but their mail comes out of McKeesport. He spoke with Tim Murphy's office two years ago leading him to believe their concern was the McKeesport post office would lose a mailing route and North Huntingdon would gain that route. He feels there are several options. He shares a letter from Tim Murphy's office from John Phelan, the District Manager for the Western Pennsylvania post office and he advised Tim Murphy that it would be far too costly to adjust the zip codes based on the area, municipal collections, real estate and other non-regulated reasons. The neighbors mainly want the zip code corrected for the mailing address. One solution would be for them to be 15642 but change the last four codes to make it something specific for that area regardless of what post office delivers the mail.

5. Chad Lantz ó 1250 Clay Pike ó states he is having issues as far as his profession. His profession requires him to bring home a flatbed wrecker responding to calls on the Pennsylvania Turnpike. He states he is getting bothered because anything over one ton is prohibited, but is there a permit for a certain price to be purchased allowing to bring home these vehicles for his profession. He states he has lived in the Township for a long time and wants to remain here, but his job requires the wrecker and he will either be out of job or move out of the Township. He has seen other vehicles over one ton in residential areas which are visible whereas his vehicle is not.

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6. Gerry Moran ó 13510 St. Clair Drive ó states he is here on behalf of the Penns Woods area and the increase of drug use in the parks, particularly in the Campbells Court Park which is a private park. Just last week, kids killed a rabbit in the park and were using illegal drugs. He states there were witnesses to this. They reached out to the police to increase patrols more and are looking for help from the Township.
7. Eric Gass ó 13633 Ormsby Drive ó states he has been noticing a lot of vehicle break-ins. Within four weeks, he had his Cadillac broken into, an attempt on his house, and now his Camaro. Can officers sit in unmarked cars at night, not during business hours.

RESPONSE TO CITIZENS INPUT

1. Bob Stone ó Commissioner Martino states this item will be discussed at a later time in the meeting.
2. John Watson ó Commissioner Martino states there is meeting set up for August 29, 2016 with the officers.
3. Zip Code changes ó Commissioner Gray thanks the residents for coming to the meeting and understands the inconveniences and problems this has created. He states that he and Manager Shepherd have discussed this and also supplied Mr. Maddock with the entire file from 2001 and says they had gone through great efforts meeting with reps from Tim Murphy's office, residents and the postal office. After the meeting, it looked like it was going to go somewhere. The post office stated "the zip codes were created to facilitate the delivery of mail. The fact that they have grown legs of their own and people used them for purposes for which they were not designed, is not our problem." A lot of time was invested in it, but it's been fifteen years, so maybe it's time to try again.

Manager Shepherd states he feels it is an uphill battle, unfortunately, but understands the concerns. The Township has written letters for residents buying cars verifying they live in North Huntingdon, but it is inconvenient. The idea of the separate designation with the last four digits is an interesting option.

Mr. McDonald states lets work out the hows and whys so it is not automatically shot down again.

Manager Shepherd states the key is trying to get someone to speak with them, then try to present as many things as possible, but he will try on behalf of the Board.

Mr. McDonald states it is understanding that it's just the mail that's an issue.

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Manager Shepherd states he and Mr. Blenko met with the post office about new developments in North Huntingdon and the new developments are serviced by cluster mailboxes, not individual boxes. The rules are so restrictive from the Federal Government they can never be changed once made.

4. Flatbed wrecker ó Manager Shepherd states the issue is a Zoning restriction. There is no provision in the Zoning Ordinance that allows a permit exemption. The Board would have to revise that restriction allowing in residential areas. He states they are in the process of revising the Zoning Ordinance and would be the time to consider revising that restriction.

Mr. Blenko states that in the last year, they have seen residents bringing crane trucks, dump trucks, diesel service trucks and tow trucks that are changing the character of some neighborhoods. In section 8:20.2 of the zoning ordinance, it states no commercial vehicles larger than one ton shall be parked in a residential area. Heavy trucks such as but not limited to tractors, tractor trailers, hi lifts and similar vehicles shall not be parked in residential districts except where they are being used as part of a construction project on a temporary basis. He feels it either needs to be applied or not.

Commissioner Herold asks what are they doing with the other residents that have over one ton vehicles.

Mr. Blenko states they are working on it, but there is a long list and will be awhile before they are under control. They send a notice, follow up, try to find alternative places for them to park and if not resolved, goes to the Magistrate.

Commissioner Herold asks if there is any reason Mr. Lantz is being singled out.

Mr. Blenko states only because it's a large flatbed truck that wasn't there previously.

Manager Shepherd states a lot of these are complaint driven.

Commissioner Martino states he feels it makes it difficult for people that their profession require these vehicles. There are no other places to park in the Township.

Mr. Blenko states there are two places that rent out space for commercial trucks. The purpose of zoning is to protect the character of a neighborhood.

Mr. Shepherd states Home Occupation permits are required to not change the outside of your home.

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Mr. Lantz states as Mr. Blenko stated of places to rent space, so you mean that he has to pay to work in the Township in addition to paying taxes and now have to drive half way across the Township to get to his wrecker. He has been doing this for years and now being singled out.

Manager Shepherd states Mr. Blenko made it clear that that's not what they are doing.

Mr. Lantz states he is being cited for making a living and providing for his family.

Manager Shepherd states this is something the Board may want to look at in the zoning ordinance, but until then, residents have to comply with the Zoning Ordinance because it's already in place.

Solicitor Alexander agrees and states these types of Ordinances are common place. The Board will look at this, but the zoning provision is in the Ordinance and the Township must enforce their ordinances.

Commissioner Martino states he understands Mr. Lantz's issue, but right now the issue cannot be solved, but in the meantime residents have to follow the zoning rules.

Commissioner Herold asks Mr. Lantz how much his vehicle weighs empty.

Mr. Lantz states fourteen thousand pounds.

Mr. Blenko states it is based on the carrying capacity. The Board has to decide. There are some communities that do not have zoning at all. The purpose is to protect neighborhoods.

5. Gerry Morand & Eric Gass – Lieutenant Mahinske states they are aware of both incidents. The incident at Campbells Court is still under investigation and the Niagara Drive car incidents unfortunately are occurring all over the Township. The NHTPD have been sending Nixle messages out reminding residents to lock their cars. Patrol checks will be made up on the two areas. Lieutenant Mahinske asks that if residents hear any noise at Campbells Court to please call the police right away and if you see a suspicious vehicle, to again call the police right away.

Eric Gass states his Cadillac door was ajar and saw the glove box and center consol were open. He feels the thieves are working quickly, not closing anything and now getting bold trying to get into his house.

Lieutenant Mahinske states there have been hand guns stolen from unlocked cars and whatever they can take. It is fueled by one thing, drugs. North Huntingdon is not an alone community and it's happening all over, moving from one community to the next.

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Mr. Gass states the night his car was broken into, police dispatch already had twelve vehicles broken into on Ormsby Drive. It seems this is happening around 4 A.M. He is asking the Board and NHTPD that the Detectives be put in plain clothes, in unmarked cars, to patrol.

Lieutenant Mahinske states they have caught different groups already and will take Mr. Gassørequest under advisement and talk to the Chief.

Commissioner Kucera states even though Campbells Court is private, a letter can be sent to the person involved forbidding him to be on park property. If they continue to go there, could be arrested for defying trespassing.

Lieutenant Mahinske asks that if letters are sent, that the NHTPD get a coy.

Commissioner Kucera asks if there are sign posted on when the park closes.

6. Mike Bartalack ó Downing Place ó states he is in favor of the canoe / kayak launch at Turner Valley. He and alot of his friends enjoy canoeing and fishing on the Yough River, but the closest place is in Smithon. He is interested and in favor of the launch.

There are no further Board comments.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion: Commissioner Haigis Motion to approve. (Public Hearing ó 6/9/16)
Second: Commissioner Faccenda

Motion Carried 6 ó 0 ó 0

Motion: Commissioner Kucera Motion to approve. (Special Meeting ó 6/9/16)
Second: Commissioner Haigis

Motion carried 6 ó 0 ó 0

Motion: Commissioner Haigis Motion to approve. (Regular Meeting ó 6/15/16)
Second: Commissioner Herold

Motion carried 6 ó 0 ó 0

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PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion: Commissioner Haigis I make a motion we pay Voucher No. 72499 through
Second: Commissioner Herold Voucher No. 72589.

Motion Carried 6 ó 0 ó 0

STAFF REPORTS

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

Commissioner Faccenda asks if the road paving prep work is finished.

Mr. Albert states yes, all the prep work is finished as well as the paving is completed. There are still some punchlist items to complete and the backfilling, but mostly is complete.

Commissioner Faccenda asks about the bucket truck and if it will be used to remove the shutters.

Mr. Albert states they will be using the bucket truck to remove the shutters from the high parts of the building. He also states the project on Ardara Road is occurring and will reconstruct and pave the road.

No further comments.

PARKS AND RECREATION REPORT

Commissioner Faccenda asks if the proposed fishing dock will be handicap accessible.

Mr. Miller states the dock will not be handicap accessible with respect to ADA requirements because the dock will be more of a natural dock as opposed to a man made dock. Mr. Miller also thanks the Board for their continued support of the eight part time summer help employees. They are very busy getting the punchlist completed along with other projects.

POLICE REPORT

Commissioner Faccenda compliments the officer who stopped at a lemonade stand to talk to several children and their parents.

There are no further Board comments.

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EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT

There are no Board comments.

PLANNING AND ENGINEERING REPORT

FIRE OFFICIAL'S REPORT

There are no Board comments.

SUBDIVISION & LAND DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION REPORT

1) SP-02-2016 & Subdivision 4 of 2016: Huntingdon Marketplace Development

Action to adopt a Resolution for final approval of the Huntingdon Marketplace Development on Mills Drive.

Mr. Blenko reports at last month's meeting was granted conditional use approval. He reports they have worked out all the engineering issues, a very workable traffic circulation plan, a much nicer looking building and landscaping. It is up for final approval for both the subdivision and strip mall. It will be a seventy five thousand seven hundred seventy five square foot strip mall and a three lot subdivision. It does approve several waivers requested by the developer and include ten conditions. Mr. Blenko recommends final approval.

Motion: Commissioner Haigis
Second: Commissioner Faccenda

Motion to approve.

Motion carried 6 ó 0 ó 0

2) SP-07-2016: Walmart Store # 5241

Action to adopt a Resolution which approves SP-07-2016, Walmart Store # 5241 Grocery Pickup Site Plan.

Mr. Blenko reports this is an online grocery pickup area which proposes a fifteen hundred square foot modular building and fifteen hundred thirty square foot canopy will be located on the north side of the building and allow people to come in to pick up their groceries. All the conditions and revisions to the drawing have been done. Mr. Blenko recommends approval.

Motion: Commissioner Haigis
Second: Commissioner Kucera

Motion to approve.

Motion carried 6 ó 0 ó 0

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been posted with a weight limit by PADot. The Township will be responsible for posting signs on Parker Drive. The resident's previous comments about Colonial Manor being a cut thru from Lincoln Way, possibly McKeesport or White Oak, is one hundred percent valid. Manager Shepherd recommends the Board to adopt this Ordinance.

Commissioner Kucera states the trucks are taking a toll on the road. He would also add to deal with Allegheny County in posting signs coming off of Lincoln Way.

Manager Shepherd states he is working on it.

Commissioner Haigis states he is ok to draft something and present at next month's meeting.

Commissioner Martino agrees.

- 7) Proposed Civil Service Commission Rules and Regulations ó discussion.
(Note: the proposed and existing rules are included in the binder).

Manager Shepherd states that Bill Gamble is here to discuss the proposed Civil Service Commission Rules and Regulations. He gives a brief background that earlier this year, the Civil Service Commission, which is a three member appointed Board, all volunteers of North Huntingdon, spent a significant amount of time revising their current rules and regulations with the thought of needing to do a hiring list for the police department. There are some new members on the Board and asked Mr. Gamble to provide some technical assistance.

Mr. Gamble states the Civil Service law for many years hadn't changed, but in 2012-2013, there were major changes to the Borough Code and the First Class Township Code. The document is designed to be easier to read in regards to the structure of it and starts with the requirements, commissions, hiring of police officers (all the components and qualifications), promotions and discharge.

Manager Shepherd states that prior to updating the Civil Service Rules, Mr. Gamble conducted a three hour training session with the Civil Service Commission, Manager Shepherd and Commissioner Kucera.

Mr. Gamble states that a lot of the times the Civil Service does not have a good frame of reference on the rules. He has been doing statewide training the last fifteen years. He feels the training session was good. He does not write the rules, he basically sits down and goes over the rules with everyone so they have an understanding of them.

Commissioner Martino asks why the physical agility test was taken out.

Mr. Gamble states the reason the physical agility test was taken out is because it's an ever-moving area. He recommends the agility test because it can change. There are two major physical agility tests: 1) The Standard Physical Agility where you have the body drag, two person carry, trigger pull and quarter mile run. 2) The Cooper Standards which is much more comprehensive in that there is a quarter mile run with sit-ups, push-ups, and also a mile run. The reason he does not put

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them in there is because the tests can change, but states they clearly should be identified at the time the applicant comes in for the application.

Manager Shepherd states the intent was to still have a physical agility test, but not spell out the specific four or five components of it in the rules and regulations.

Mr. Gamble states that by law, you have to have a physical agility test which is another major change that took place in 2012 even though a lot of municipalities still had the physical agility test, it became mandatory at that time. Another major change is for police officers, in that they were not allowed to run for office. It was grounds for discipline and discharge. That has now been changed and they can now run for magistrate, school board, etc as long as to not do so in uniform. However, there is a strong stipulation in that they cannot run for an elected position within the Township.

Commissioner Kucera states the requirements for the physical agility test is on Page Fifteen, it just doesn't stipulate what the test is.

Commissioner Martino states that is what his concern is. He feels it should be in there. If there are two different tests, that both of the tests be put in.

Manager Shepherd states they went through that issue because he was more familiar with the older regulations where you see the specific four or five items. It is not specified what test will be given and will give authority to choose what test.

Commissioner Martino states he feels it needs to be in there.

Mr. Gamble states it is referenced that the candidate shall be advised as to what the physical agility test is at the time they pick up the application.

Commissioner Martino states it needs to be in the rules

Mr. Gamble states he understands, but in all the rules he writes, they have not been included for that purpose in they are forever changing.

Solicitor Alexander recommends to go with what the expert would say. He states he understands the challenges to the physical agility and that physical agility is now required by State Law, so you have to do it whether it's spelled out in the Rules and Regulations as one particular test. The Civil Service Commission will decide what test will be administered and will consult with Mr. Gamble anyway and appoint him as the administrator of the examination.

Commissioner Kucera states if they put in there that there will be a two by two window, then you're locked into that. When the applicant picks up the application, they will know what the rules are.

Commissioner Herold asks why wouldn't the applicants be given the written test first before the agility test.

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Commissioner Haigis asks if Manager Shepherd is satisfied with the proposed draft other than the physical agility test that Commissioner Martino wants and also asks what physical agility test does he want on there.

Manager Shepherd asks Mr. Gamble what he would recommend if it is actually written in the rules.

Mr. Gamble states he does not recommend putting the physical agility test in and refers it back to the police department and the police chief to determine which he feels is best for the department.

Manager Shepherd states in the past there were four or five components included.

Solicitor Alexander asks if it is possible to put something into the rules and regulations like was done with the Civil Service Commission having the discretion to change when necessary.

Commissioner Martino states he wants a designated test.

Mr. Gamble states the section will be amended. The Cooper Standards test is generally age and gender norm. There are so many different variables is why he will not recommend one or the other and feels it should left to the police chief in what is best for his department.

Commissioner Martino states he wants something in black or white on what test is being used.

Mr. Gamble states that what should be put in is what the police chief feels is best and he will not recommend a specific test.

Manager Shepherd states if the Board wants to revert back to what is currently in place and send it to the Civil Service Commission for their consideration or ask Chief Lisiecki his opinion then consider it and discuss it at the next meeting. That would take an additional two to three months before adopting.

Commissioner Haigis states under the current draft when advertising for open positions, at that time would the Board have input on what physical agility test would be given.

Manager Shepherd states the Board could provide some information but not sure how involved they would want to get. He suggests leaving it up to the Civil Service Commission. If the Board would like to get the Chief's input and spend a little more time on this or if they would like to maintain what already is there, can send back to Civil Service Commission for their consideration.

Mr. Gamble states they can go back to the original rules.

Commissioner Martino states he is comfortable with something in there on the agility test and doesn't want to leave it open. He states he wants something more specific.

Manager Shepherd asks Commissioner Martino if he wants something from the Chief or something from the Civil Service Commission on specific testing.

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Commissioner Martino states he just wants something specific on the agility test.

Commissioner Kucera states putting the current agility test in and give it to the Civil Service Commission.

Mr. Gamble asks if the Board wants him to make a draft or just discuss with Civil Service.

Manager Shepherd states the Board will address the Civil Service Commission.

Commissioner Herold asks what it means under the definition Chief of Police states a sworn officer heading the police department who may be appointed with or without Civil Service status.

Mr. Gamble states that when a police chief is hired that they can be hired either under Civil Service or not. Every full time police officer in Pennsylvania has a due process right except a police chief that is hired in a borough or first class Township not under Civil Service.

Solicitor Alexander clarifies that if they are not under Civil Service, they do not have a separate contract that defines how they can be disciplined, it's basically an at will employee.

Mr. Gamble states for Civil Service that in hiring a police chief that is a discretion of the elected officials. They can hire one with or without Civil Service. If they hire by Civil Service, they would submit that person to the Civil Service Commission for a non-competitive test which is basically an interview and all the code says is that the Civil Service Commission shall determine whether that person is qualified or not. Then they advise the elected officials who then will take official action to hire the police chief under Civil Service.

Solicitor Alexander states that once the name is submitted to the Civil Service Commission, they hold the interview and the non-competitive Civil Service exam, then the Civil Service Commission determines the candidate is qualified to hold the position, then hired under Civil Service.

Manager Shepherd adds that it comes to the Board regardless and can even certify someone after they already are here.

There are no further Board comments.

8) Strategic Plan - update from John Trant.

Manager Shepherd introduces John Trant in developing the Township's first strategic plan.

Mr. Trant, President of Strategic Solutions, provides the Board with what he is working on with key issues and topics to be addressed. He gives his presentation about the initiatives.

Manager Shepherd states what the Board is going to see are initiatives from each department and what is important to them. It's also important to determine the best way to engage the public and their opinions.

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Mr. Trant states ideally there is a process in which public engagement is collected with many tools such as surveys, door to door and public meetings.

Commissioner Faccenda states surveys are the life blood of an industry and a great way to gage success.

Commissioner Kucera asks if surveys would be mailed or going to a civic organizations for seniors.

Mr. Trant states there are different types of public engagement. Survey Monkey is also a popular online survey.

Mr. Turley states the Township has used Survey Monkey and already have an online business survey.

Commissioner Herold states we have a lot of older residents that do not use computers and asks how we can reach them.

Manager Shepherd states technology is important, however we still have older residents that depend on paper and telephones.

Commissioner Martino asks if Mr. Trant has spoken to the department staff in addition to the department heads.

Mr. Trant states he has not spoken to the department staff yet.

Manager Shepherd states that Mr. Trant's direction was to speak with the department heads to see where their departments are going.

Commissioner Faccenda recommends employee surveys.

Mr. Trant asks the Board to identify what issues need to be addressed and discuss at the next meeting on August 24, 2016.

There are no further Board comments.

9) Parks Development Plan ó discussion.

Manager Shepherd provided a memo as a follow up from the June meeting relating to improvements to various parks in the Township. If significant park improvements are going to be made, then strategic planning would be helpful. After further review and discussing with Dan Miller, for a lot of these projects the Board really needs to think them through before moving forward without more thought. Manager Shepherd states putting in a playground at Indian Lake is not a problem, it is the bigger projects. Citizen engagement is important to hear what the citizens want. A plan and a budget is important to move forward in an organized fashion, but unfortunately will take time.

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Commissioner Martino asks that if he wants to move forward with Markvue Manor park, is he to get the residents together with John or Dan.

Manager Shepherd states that is what he recommends along with a consultant.

Commissioner Martino asks when should the meeting be set up.

Manager Shepherd states if the Board likes the ideas of how to progress, then they should discuss with Mr. Trant for a strategic plan.

Commissioner Haigis states these ideas should be included in the five year plan.

Manager Shepherd states everyone's request cannot be accommodated, however strategic planning will help.

Commissioner Kucera adds to reach out to the residents to come to the meeting with their needs.

Mr. Miller states an improvement was made to Lions Park years ago with the ballfield. The ballfield is no longer there and thousands of dollars was spent to improve it and nobody is missing it. Feasibility plus practicality will equal a vision.

Commissioner Faccenda states there is a drug problem here, but the kids have nothing to do in the parks. He states Dan may need help in running the parks in addition to all the events.

Manager Shepherd states that is a good topic for strategic planning.

Commissioner Kucera states there is a drug problem, even in Campbells Court where there are basketball hoops and deck hockey.

Manager Shepherd states recreation may assist with delinquency but also trying to attract other people into the parks for various activities such as walking or ride a bike.

Commissioner Kucera states kids would love a deck hockey, but there is only so much we can provide.

Commissioner Faccenda states that Round Hill Park in Allegheny County has outdoor adult exercise equipment next to the swings and yoga stations.

Mr. Miller states that Round Hill is a County park funded by County dollars which is much more and with respect to the yoga stations, Mr. Miller states that outdoor yoga classes are offered at Indian Lake in the Fall.

Manager Shepherd states this is a good discussion to start with.

Commissioner Herold asks Dan if there is any vision for the vacant building at the Nike Site location.

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Mr. Miller states the YMCA was private and he does not think the church has anything planned for that location.

FURTHER BOARD COMMENTS

1. Commissioner Haigis states the Rescue 8 meeting was held and Shane Spielvogle sent out an email to the Board for a future opportunity.

Commissioner Martino states he read the email and is up to Shane's decision.

Commissioner Haigis states he is not comfortable with the original proposal and financial figures.

Commissioner Martino states as long as our residents are not impacted.

Commissioner Herold states Rescue 8 is moving in a positive direction but as long as our residents are not affected with them going outside the Township.

Commissioner Gray states this is the first the Board has discussed this in public, but to let the audience know what this is about.

Commissioner Haigis states for the audience that Trafford Borough is disbanding their EMS department and put it out for bid for other agencies to be their EMS service. Rescue 8 was entertaining the idea along with Penn Township of having a joint venture.

2. Commissioner Gray states he found a house was condemned on Mercer Drive and asks what the situation is.

Manager Shepherd recommends to discuss in private because it is a legal matter.

3. Commissioner Gray states five months ago a detective came to the meeting and talked about an alleged theft of millings. That was in February, then a private investigator was hired, the results were in March, then it was turned over to the County, State Attorney General and State Police. A resident asked in May about the results and Manager Shepherd answered it is an ongoing investigation. Commissioner Gray states we are five months into this and there has been no response from anyone. He suggests the Board direct John to follow up on the investigation and find out the status of the investigation.

Commissioner Haigis states he feels the Board should reach out to all the agencies.

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Manager Shepherd states he will send an inquiry on behalf of the Board with the help of the solicitor.

Commissioner Gray asks if the letter can be sent by Friday.

Manager Shepherd states he can get it out by Friday and copy the Board.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1) Mark your calendars for the 2016 Summer Celebration at Oak Hollow Park on Friday, August 26 and Saturday, August 27 starting at 4PM both days.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Commissioner Haigis

Motion to adjourn. (9:30 P.M.)

Second: Commissioner Gray

Motion Carried 6 ó 0 ó 0

- Regular Meeting Minutes of July 20, 2016 were approved by the Board of Commissioners on _____

Tony Martino, President

John M. Shepherd, Township Secretary
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