

**LOWER PAXTON TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Minutes of Board Meeting held on August 18, 2020

A meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Lower Paxton Township was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Chairman Lowman S. Henry, on the above date in the Lower Paxton Township, Municipal Center, 425 Prince Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Supervisors present in addition to Mr. Henry were Robin Lindsey, Chris Judd, and Norman Zoumas. Also in attendance was Bradley Gotshall, Township Manager, and Steve Stine, Township Solicitor.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Mr. Judd led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of Minutes**

Ms. Lindsey made a motion to approve the minutes of June 16, 2020. Mr. Zoumas seconded the motion. Mr. Henry called for a voice vote, and a unanimous vote followed.

**Announcements**

Mr. Henry announced that the Board of Supervisors met in Executive Session before the meeting to receive information from the Township staff. They would resume in that meeting after the board meeting.

**Public Comment**

There was none.

**Chairman and Board Member's Comments**

Ms. Lindsey announced that she and Mr. Zoumas attended the Capitol Region Council of Government meeting on Monday, August 17, 2020.

Ms. Lindsey noted that Representative Sheryl Delozier was the guest speaker at the meeting, and she spoke about the State Budget, COVID-19 Pandemic, Radar Bill, and school funding.

### **Manager's Report**

Mr. Gotshall reported on the Township's self-response rate for the U.S. Census. This rate is the rate at which the Township's residents have responded to the U.S. Census. As of Thursday, August 13, 2020, that rate is at 74.9%; in 2010, the self-response rate was 77.3%.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

There was none.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### Action on Ordinance 20-08; Authorizing the incurring of Non- Electoral Debt by the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds – for Refinancing of 2014 and 2016 Go Bonds

Tom Smida, Mette, Evans & Woodside, reported that the Board authorized Jay Wenger of Susquehanna Group Advisors and Lou Verdelli, Royal Bank of Canada (RBC), to move forward with the partial refunding of the General Obligation Bonds Series 2014 and 2016. Mr. Smida noted that he had advertised the preadoption of this Ordinance on Thursday, August 13, 2020. The debt is set at the maximum principal amount of \$40,000,000, and it may not be that high, but the amount is established in the Ordinance for parameters. The Ordinance sets forth the substantial form of the Bonds, and the proposal before the Board is for RBC to purchase the Bonds; after the sale is finalized, there would be a subsequent addendum. The Township Authority already subsidizes most of this debt, and there will be a Subsidy Agreement for this debt. The Bonds are not taxable; therefore, there is no federal income tax consequence.

Mr. Henry clarified that the Ordinance would refinance existing debt that would ultimately save the Township and Authority money; it is not new debt.

Mr. Zoumas made a motion to approve Ordinance 20-08 Authorizing the incurring of Non- Electoral Debt by the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds for Refinancing of 2014 and 2016 Go Bonds. Mr. Judd seconded the motion. Mr. Henry called for a voice vote, and a unanimous vote of approval followed.

Action on Resolutions 20-21-01 to 20-21-07 endorsing and authorizing the submission of Dauphin County Local Share Grant Applications

The Township is a co-applicant to each of the following requests. The Supervisors ranked the projects in the order of priority as follows:

1. Lower Paxton Township Police Body Cameras and Mobile Vehicle Recorders
2. Central Dauphin School District Panther Ram Foundation Nutripack Program
3. Linglestown Baseball Association Fencing and Dugout Improvement Project
4. The Campus of the Jewish Home of Greater Harrisburg Renovation Project
5. CASA's Field Improvement Project
6. Devon Manor Pool Facility Upgrade Project
7. The Colonial Park Fire Company Electronic Message Board

Ms. Lindsey made a motion to approve Resolutions 20-21-01 to 20-21-07, endorsing, and authorizing the submission of Dauphin County Local Share Grant Applications. Mr. Judd seconded the motion. Mr. Henry called for a voice vote, and a unanimous vote followed.

Action on Resolution 20-23; Approving PennDOT's Municipal Winter Traffic Services Agreement

Mr. Zoumas made a motion to approve Resolution 20-23, approving PennDOT's Municipal Winter Traffic Services Agreement beginning 2021 through 2025. Ms. Lindsey seconded the motion. Mr. Henry called for a voice vote, and a unanimous vote of approval followed.

Action on Resolution 20-24; Authorizing the submission of  
the 2020 Dauphin County Cares Act Municipal Grant Program Application

Mr. Gotshall reported on Resolution 20-24, which formally authorizes the submission of the Township's request for funding from the Dauphin County Cares Act Municipal Grant Program. This federal funding source, the Cares Act funding, was distributed to counties within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The County of Dauphin has received this funding. Each Municipality is eligible to apply for this funding to receive reimbursements for expenditures related explicitly to the COVID-19 Pandemic, and the Township requested \$2,609,043.

Ms. Lindsey made a motion to approve Resolution 20-24, authorizing the submission of the 2020 Dauphin County Cares Act Municipal Grant Program Application. Mr. Zoumas seconded the motion. Mr. Henry called for a voice vote, and a unanimous vote followed.

Action on Application for Payment #1 for the  
Friendship Center HVAC Roof Top Unit Upgrades, Phase 2 Project

Mr. Zoumas Lindsey made a motion to approve Application for Payment #1 for \$23,419.83 to the contractor Hosler Enterprise for the Friendship Center HVAC Roof Top Unit Upgrades, Phase 2 Project. Mr. Judd seconded the motion. Mr. Henry called for a voice vote, and a unanimous vote of approval followed.

**Subdivision and Land Development**

Action on a Preliminary/Final Subdivision Plan  
for 122 Deaven Rd, Phase 2m Lot 41 of Mindy Meadows (Plan #20-10)

Amanda Zerbe, Community Development Manager, summarized the plan before the Board of Supervisors.

Robert Saber was present to answer questions about the Preliminary/Final Subdivision Plan for 122 Deaven Rd, Phase 2m Lot 41 of Mindy Meadows (Plan #20-10).

Mr. Judd made a motion to approve the Preliminary/Final Subdivision Plan for 122 Deaven Rd, Phase 2m Lot 41 of Mindy Meadows (Plan #20-10). Mr. Zoumas and Ms. Lindsey seconded the motion. Mr. Henry called for a voice vote, and a unanimous vote of approval followed.

Action on a Preliminary/Final Subdivision & Lot Addition Plan of Matthew & Rebecca Small and Christopher Carr (Plan #20-11)

Amanda Zerbe, Community Development Manager, summarized the plan before the Board of Supervisors.

Joe Burget, Jr., Burget Associates, Inc., was present to answer questions about the Preliminary/Final Subdivision & Lot Addition Plan of Matthew & Rebecca Small and Christopher Carr (Plan #20-11).

Mr. Judd made a motion to approve the Preliminary/Final Subdivision & Lot Addition Plan of Matthew & Rebecca Small and Christopher Carr (Plan #20-11). Mr. Zoumas seconded the motion. Mr. Henry called for a voice vote, and a unanimous vote followed.

Improvement Guarantees

Ms. Lindsey motioned to approve the Improvement Guarantees for Chelsey Falls, Phase one. Mr. Zoumas seconded the motion. Mr. Henry called for a voice vote, and a unanimous vote of approval followed.

Payment of Bills – Lower Paxton Township & Lower Paxton Township Authority

Mr. Zoumas made a motion to pay the bills for the Township and Authority. Mr. Lindsey seconded the motion. Mr. Henry called for a voice vote, and a unanimous vote of approval followed.

**Announcements**

Mr. Henry announced that the next Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 1, 2020, beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Center. The Supervisors will appoint a Supervisor to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Gary Crissman.

Mr. Gotshall noted that the deadline to submit a letter of interest or resume to the Township Manager is Friday, August 21, 2020.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, Mr. Zoumas motioned, to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Lindsey seconded the motion. Mr. Henry adjourned the meeting for the Lower Paxton Township at 7:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Shellie R. Smith  
Recording Secretary

Approved by,



Chris Judd,  
Secretary