

Workshop Meeting Activity

March 9, 2020

TITLE

MOTION

SECOND

Approve the February 17, 2020
Legislative Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Richert

Commissioner Haluka

Adjournment

TOWNSHIP OF ALEPPO

WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

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CALL TO ORDER:

Vice President Williams called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and roll call. Those in attendance were Commissioner Amy Richert, Commissioner Judith Haluka, Solicitor Chris Lovato, Manager Gwen Patterson, and Secretary Patty Krecek. President George Jones and Commissioner Daniel Darragh were not in attendance. The meeting was recorded.

MINUTES:

Commissioner Richert made a motion to approve the February 17, 2020 Legislative Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Haluka seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

ZONING ORDINANCE - C-2 DISTRICT PARKING OVERLAY PROCESS UPDATE:

Manager Patterson provided a procedural update. She said there was a Planning Commission meeting last Wednesday, March 4, 2020, however, it was not an official meeting because there was not a quorum. There was a discussion about the parking overlay, there were a couple of tweaks to the design, and it went back to HRG. The next step will be another draft to the Planning Commission for the April 2020 meeting, and they will review it and make a recommendation to the Board. If the Board is okay with the recommendation, then the Board would authorize the advertising, and then there would be an amendment process, which would include a public hearing.

NEW STREET SIGNS:

Manager Patterson said there are two samples of the new street signs in front of the Township building, and each has different levels of reflectivity. She would like everyone to take a look at them at night and provide feedback.

EARTH DAY:

Manager Patterson reminded everyone that Earth Day is Saturday, April 18, 2020, and volunteers should meet at the Township building at 9:00 a.m. Coffee, donuts and t-shirts will be provided for the volunteers.

NEW BUSINESS:

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT UPDATE - CORONAVIRUS:

Commissioner Richert stated that she wanted to have a brief discussion about the Coronavirus to make sure plans are in place, if needed, and to revisit the emergency communications. Commissioner Haluka provided an update of the emergency preparedness. She said the state of Pennsylvania activated their EOC (Emergency Operations Center). Commissioner Haluka also said she is meeting with Masonic because most of the 500 plus residents are the at-risk population because of their age and underlying illnesses. She said she will probably be doing an availability drill within the next week or two, which means she will be doing an activation of the Township EOC, and each person she contacts will need to give her a realistic time of when they can get to the meeting spot. She needs a quorum of the EOC members, and an officer of the Township Commissioners needs to be present to sign the declaration that activates the EOC. Vice President Williams asked Commissioner Haluka to communicate and coordinate with Manager Patterson to determine whether or not this topic goes on future meeting agendas.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:

Resident Chris Grimm who lives on Merriman Road said he was very glad to see additional police officer presence in the area.

Resident Sandy Moore who lives on Redgate Road expressed her concern about the possibility of hearing more back-up beeping noises from the vans if more parking is allowed in the Industrial Park.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned by Vice President Williams at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Krecek
Township Secretary