



Township of Northampton

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Supervisor

December 8, 2004

The regular business meeting of the Northampton Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 8:00 p.m.

Members of the Board of Supervisors present were:

Dr. Arthur Friedman
John E. Long Jr.
Peter F. Palestina
James E. Kinney
George F. Komelasky

Others present were:

D. Bruce Townsend, Township Manager
David W. Connell, Township Engineer
Edward Rudolph, Township Solicitor

The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was led by Dr. Friedman.

A. FIRE SAFETY ESSAY AWARDS – Chairman Friedman presented the Fire Safety Essay Awards to the following individuals who won the Annual Philadelphia Chapter of CPCU Fire Safety in the Home Contest:

1. Kathryn Ferretti– 1st Place – Grade 1 and 2 Category
2. Matteo Cariola – 2nd Place – Grade 1 and 2 Category
3. Camille Smith – 3rd Place – Grade 1 and 2 Category
4. Anna DiDonato – Most Creative – Grade 1 and 2 Category
5. Lauren Griffin – 1st place – Grade 3 and 4 Category
6. Taylor Scull – 2nd Place – Grade 3 and 4 Category
7. Lindsey Norden – 3rd Place – Grade 3 and 4 Category
8. James McCarron – Most Creative – Grade 3 and 4 Category
9. Lauren Alper – 1st Place – Grade 5 and 6 Category
10. Dmitriy Proshlyakov – 2nd Place – Grade 5 and 6 Category
11. Becky Harrington – 3rd Place – Grade 5 and 6 Category
12. Jake Magida – Most Creative – Grade 5 and 6 Category

B. CITIZENS CONCERNS -

1. Tony Albano and Betty Falcone requested the Board of Supervisors to consider a resolution supporting the location of the National Veterans Cemetery in Upper Makefield, Bucks County. After discussion amongst Board members, by unanimous vote, a motion (Palestina-Kinney) was passed supporting the location of the National Veterans Cemetery to be located in Upper Makefield, Bucks County.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The minutes of the business meeting of November 17, 2004 were accepted by unanimous vote, as presented.

D. CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC HEARING – PROPOSED ORDINANCES (3) – STORMWATER MANAGEMENT – After a brief presentation by Dave Connell, Township Engineer, motions were passed (Friedman-Komelasky) adopting Ordinance No. 499, an ordinance amending the Code of the Township of Northampton by creating a new Chapter 113, entitled Stormwater Management and Grading including; definitions, permitting and reviewing procedures and performance standards for stormwater planning and management, grading, stormwater best management practices operations and maintenance requirements, design criteria and requirements, inspections and right-of-entry, fees and expenses, prohibitions and enforcement and penalties and, Ordinance 500, an ordinance amending the Northampton Township Zoning Ordinance Chapter 140 by officially recognizing the updated soil survey of Bucks County and revising the definitions of floodplain or flood hazard area (or district) and undevelopable, adding a definition for floodplain soils and deleting the definition of alluvial soil and, Ordinance 501, an ordinance amending the Northampton Township Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance Chapter 118, Article II, definitions, by deleting the definition of alluvial soil, adding a definition of floodplain soil and revising the definition of floodplain or flood hazard area (or district), Article III procedures and plan requirements to require BMP operations, and VII entitled standards and specifications, to add additional standards for street trees and to require stormwater management facilities and grading to be designed and installed in accordance with Chapter 113, Stormwater Management and Grading.

E. INTERNAL AFFAIRS REPORT (Mr. Komelasky)

1. Extensions to Development Agreements - The following development agreement extensions were authorized:
 - a. By unanimous vote (Komelasky-Palestina) Northampton Gate Phases 1&2, Phases 3&4 and Phase 4 to October 31, 2005
 - b. By unanimous vote (Komelasky-Kinney) Northampton Hunt Phase 3 to October 31, 2005

- c. By unanimous vote (Komelasky-Long) Woods @ Northampton to November 20, 2005
2. Tax Anticipation Note – After a discussion amongst the Board, a motion (Komelasky-Palestina) was passed by unanimous vote, adopting Resolution R-04-25 a resolution accepting a proposal submitted to Northampton Township from Citizens Bank for a \$3,000,000 Tax Anticipation Note.

F. PUBLIC WORKS REPORT (Mr. Long)

1. Bids for Snow Removal Contractors – By unanimous vote, a motion (Long-Komelasky) was passed by unanimous vote, rejecting all bids received by Northampton Township for rented equipment for the 2004-2005 winter season that were received on November 30, 2004, based upon the determination that none of the bids are in the best interest of the Township and further, that the Administration be authorized to proceed with a re-bid for these services at such time that the Administration determines it is most appropriate with specifications to be determined by the Administration.

G. COMMUNITY FACILITIES AND SERVICES AND TREASURER'S REPORT
(Mr. Kinney)

1. Accounts Payable - The accounts payable listing of December 8, 2004 was approved by unanimous consent.
2. Winter Park and Recreation Programs – Mr. Kinney commended the Park and Recreation Department for the various programs that are available to all Northampton Township residents.
3. Library Construction – Mr. Kinney announced to the public that the renovations and addition to the library are underway and apologized for any inconvenience to the public.

H. PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT (Mr. Palestina)

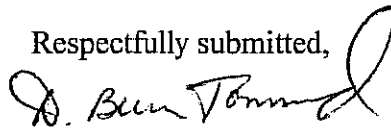
1. Blue Light Ceremony – Mr. Palestina announced that the Blue Light Ceremony honoring those who have paid the ultimate price in defense of their community would be held Wednesday, December 15, 2004.

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There being no further business, Chairman Friedman adjourned the meeting at 9:10pm.

Respectfully submitted,



D. Bruce Townsend
Township Manager

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