

LOWER POTTS GROVE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**July 20, 2017**

The Board of Commissioners of Lower Pottsgrove Township held its regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, July 20, 2017 at the Lower Pottsgrove Township Municipal Building, 2199 Buchert Road, Pottstown, Pennsylvania. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The following were in attendance:

Board of Commissioners: Bruce L. Foltz, President; Stephen M. Klotz, Vice President; Earl E. Swavely, Jr., Raymond W. Lopez and Robert Mohollen.

Charles Garner, Solicitor, Edward C. Wagner, Manager and Sharon Colletti, Secretary were also present.

Commissioner Foltz stated the meeting will be recorded.

Solicitor Garner announced that prior to the meeting the Board met in Executive Session beginning at 6:00 p.m. to discuss acquisition of real estate. No action was taken.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE JULY 6, 2017 MEETING

Commissioner Klotz made the motion to approve the July 6, 2017 minutes. Commissioner Swavely seconded the motion; all in favor (5-0)

COMMENTS BY VISITORS:

None

INFORMATION:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

Commissioner Klotz made the motion to advertise Ordinance 338 establishing Noise Regulations. Commissioner Mohollen seconded the motion; all in favor (5-0)

SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT:

Mr. Garner explained that there had been a staff meeting on Monday, July 17th in which the two parties met to resolve several issues that had come up in the previous Commissioners Meeting. He stated that the meeting was very productive and felt that a mutually favorable agreement had been reached. The agreement contained a provision which guaranteed that a Commercial component had to be permitted, or financially guaranteed, before a second residential component could begin.

Commissioner Klotz made the motion to adopt Resolution 1138-17 granting Preliminary Plan Approval for Sanatoga Green, to construct a 60,000 sq. ft. medical office building, a 108 room hotel, 17 multi-family apartment buildings with a total of 343 units, a clubhouse and 147 townhomes. Commissioner Mohollen seconded the motion; Commissioner Lopez opposed the motion (4-1)

The Applicant expressed their thanks to the Board and staff for their efforts and approval.

NEW BUSINESS:

Commissioner Lopez made the motion to accept the resignation of Patricia Bleakley as a member of the Park and Rec Board. Commissioner Swavely seconded the motion.

Commissioner Klotz opposed the motion (4-1)

RESOLUTION AND ORDINANCE:

Commissioner Klotz made the motion to execute Resolution 1138-17 authorizing the flasher permit application for St. Aloysius School. Commissioner Mohollen seconded the motion; all in favor (5-0)

Commissioner Mohollen made the motion to approve Warrant #862 for the month of June 2017. Commissioner Lopez seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved (5-0)

Commissioner Mohollen motioned to accept the Treasurer's Report for June 2017. Commissioner Lopez seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved (5-0)

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS:

Commissioner Mohollen had no comment

Commissioner Lopez had no comment

Commissioner Swavely questioned the correspondence in regards speed limit change proposed on Charlotte Street between Mervine Street and School Lane. Mr. Wagner stated that it was a request by Upper Pottsgrove in conjunction with the proposed trail connection at Turnbury Farms.

Commissioner Klotz stated that was really great to see professional teams come together to work out such successful results. He reiterated how business friendly the Township tries to be, how professional Sanatoga Green is and how dedicated they are to bring this project, along with commercial, to the township. He feels we did a great job with the negotiations and that we didn't back down. He feels the result is a win-win for everyone. He stated that as a township we wanted to ensure a commercial component would get built and with the financial piece in place, he believes they did that. He is happy to see the project moving along, but they have a long way to go.

Commissioner Foltz thanked the staff for their efforts at the staff meeting earlier in the week to work through challenges that had been presented so that Preliminary Approval could be reached tonight.

Mr. Wagner felt that the adoption of this resolution was a great team effort and thanked Commissioner Foltz and Commissioner Klotz for taking the time to be a part of the negotiations.

Solicitor Garner had no comment.

There being no further business, the public meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m. The next meeting will be held on **Monday, August 7, 2017** at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sharon Colletti".

Sharon Colletti
Township Secretary