

**COUNCIL MEETING  
JANUARY 23, 2017**

In attendance:

**Council**

Deborah Tustin  
Tom Johnson  
Gregory S. Nesbitt  
W. William Whiteside

**Staff**

William T. Walker - Township Manager  
Erik Garton, PE – Engineer

Absent: Mark McCouch, Mary C. Eberle, Esq

President Tustin opened the Council meeting with a Pledge of Allegiance at 7:05 PM in the Township Building, 1025 Horsham Road, Horsham, PA.

Mr. Walker announced the passing of a former Township Council member, James Owens. Mr. Walker talked about Mr. Owens 14 years on Township Council (1989-2003) and his over 30 years of service to the community. President Tustin asked for a moment of silence.

Council recognized the retirement of Police Officer Fred Keevill. Officer Keevill was with the Township for 32 years (1985-2017). He retired on January 27, 2017.

Ms. Tustin asked for questions or comments from the public, there were none.

Ms. Tustin asked for the will of Council concerning the List of Checks. It was moved by Mr. Nesbitt, second by Mr. Whiteside to authorize the List of Checks in all funds in the amount of \$ 385,228.00 and to authorize payment of same. Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Tustin asked for the will of Council concerning the 239 Jefferson Ave (NaBrasa) Costazul LLC, 16-2-S application. It was moved by Mr. Nesbitt, second by Mr. Whiteside to adopt the Resolution as proposed granting preliminary/final approval to the application.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Johnson – Aye  
Ms. Tustin – Aye  
Mr. Nesbitt – Aye  
Mr. Whiteside – Aye

Motion passed unanimously

Township Council reviewed the Zoning Hearing Board applications to be heard in February:

HTZHB 17-3, Ball Aerosol & Specialty Container Inc, 431 Privet Rd; Council will remain neutral to the application with conditions

HTZHB 17-4, 309 AMC Cinema Theater, 1461 Bethlehem Pike; Council will remain neutral to the application with conditions

HTZHB 17-5, The Elements Shopping Center, 301-307 Horsham Rd; Council will remain neutral to the application with conditions

Mr. Kevin Kim at 725 Lawrence Lane asked if the proposed swim school of the Elements Shopping Center (HTZHB 17-5) would interfere with the Simmons Elementary Swimming Programs. Mr. Walker replied that he did not believe it would interfere and the Township cannot base their decisions on competition.

Mr. Walker reviewed the application for a new traffic signal at Dresher Rd and Gibraltar Road. Ms. Tustin asked for the will of Council concerning the application. It was moved by Mr. Nesbitt, second by Mr. Whiteside to adopt the Resolution as proposed approving the PennDOT application for a new traffic signal at Dresher Rd and Gibraltar Road. Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Johnson – Aye  
Ms. Tustin – Aye  
Mr. Nesbitt – Aye  
Mr. Whiteside – Aye

Motion passed unanimously

Mr. Walker discussed the introduction of the proposed Ordinance regulating the use of Medical Marijuana facilities. Mr. Walker explained that the main purpose of introducing the proposed ordinance is to start discussion. Ms. Tustin asked for the will of Council concerning the Ordinance. It was moved by Mr. Nesbitt, second by Mr. Johnson to introduce an Ordinance regulating the use of Medical Marijuana facilities.

Mr. Kevin Kim at 725 Lawrence Lane asked if Council would have enough time to consider the Medical Marijuana Facilities Ordinance. Mr. Walker responded depending on how the discussion goes will dictate if the proposed ordinance will be considered for adoption before the end of March.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 8:05 PM.

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William T. Walker