



# TOWNSHIP OF BALDWIN

10 Community Park Drive  
Pittsburgh, PA 15234

## MINUTES of the Public Meeting of the Township Board of Commissioners

May 2, 2023, 7:00 pm

**\*\* The May 2, 2023, Meeting of the Township Commissioners was held both IN-PERSON at the Township Administration Building AND via ZOOM. Meeting ID: 381 904 7124, Password: 15234**

Commissioner Frisoli called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and asked that the group stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call found Commissioners Downey, Fredrick, Frisoli, McCabe and Pellegrino present. Also present were Manager Nina Belcastro, Engineer Glenn Jonnet and Solicitor Thomas McDermott

### Remarks from audience:

Ray Benvenuti from Dewalt Drive came to express his concern over the state of the roads – specifically Dewalt and Pearce. Mr. Downey explained that while we understand that it is frustrating, the work that is being done is extremely necessary and is being done by the gas company and the water company. That said, we have been in constant communication with both companies and even have our own officers doing the traffic detail (it was noted that the utility companies ARE reimbursing the Township for all costs associated with traffic control). Both companies are hopeful that the roads will be repaved within the next four (4) weeks. Solicitor McDermott explained that the utility companies do have to follow our road ordinance and are required to re-pave all roads that they are working on curb-to-curb. This means that the Township will essentially be able to rearrange our road program and prioritize other roads or projects that were maybe further down on the list of re-paving.

Joy Day from ALCOSAN came to introduce or reintroduce himself to the commissioners and residents of Baldwin Township. Mr. Day shared information of a few non-engineering programs that are currently being sponsored by ALCOSAN and are open to the public. He will leave information with the Township Manager. ALCOSAN is hosting an open house on September 16, 2023, starting at 9:00 am – all are invited to attend.

Mr. Jonnet commended and thanked Mr. Day for his hard work and dedication to Baldwin Township. Mr. Jonnet stated that because of Joe and ALCOSAN, Baldwin Township has moved from a red to a light blue standard, which is exceptional. The Board, Solicitor and Manager also thanked Mr. Day.

## **Committee Reports:**

1. **Administration & Finance – Ms. Frisoli, Chairperson** - Mr. Frisoli reported that she read over everything for the month of April and everything falls into place.
2. **Public Safety – Mr. Downey, Chairperson** – Mr. Downey read the report
3. **Public Works – Mr. Pellegrino, Chairperson** – Mr. Pellegrino read the report.
4. **Sanitary Sewers & Storm Water Management/MS4– Ms. McCabe, Chairperson** – Ms. McCabe deferred to Mr. Jonnet. Mr. Jonnet reported that he is currently working with PWSA on the TMDL credit project. We are trying to set up an in-person meeting with the DEP. Solicitor DeLorenzo is working on a call to the DEP to discuss same.
5. **Parks & Recreation – Ms. Fredrick, Ms. McCabe & Ms. Frisoli , co-chairs** – Ms. Frisoli reported that the newsletter went out last week. Armstrong Park improvements are upcoming.
6. **Event Planning – Ms. Fredrick, Chairperson** - We have a new, resident-based, committee that will help to plan events. We are currently in the recruitment stage.
7. **Lights & Transportation – Mr. Downey Chairperson** – Mr. Downey – Nothing to report.
8. **SHACOG – Ms. Fredrick & Ms. Frisoli, co-Chairs** – Ms. Frisoli reported that there was more discussion about salt storage due to an extremely mild winter. The Township has plenty of room in the salt shed for the final salt order and will thus avoid paying the storage fees.
9. **Fire Company - Ms. Fredrick, Chairperson** – Ms. Fredrick reported that there were two calls to Baldwin Township in April. CSVFD is happy to announce that they have added 4 new members to their roster and are continuously, actively recruiting. The ladies flea is upcoming and tables are sold out! Carnival will take place in July.
10. **MRTSA – Mr. Downey & Mr. Pellegrino, Co-Chairs;** Mr. Downey reported that MRTSA is re-bidding for ambulances. The previous RFP brought in bids that were much higher than anticipated. There are ongoing discussions regarding switching over to a fee based structure versus community assessment.

## **Treasurer's Report:**

Jordan Tax Service will be in the Township Community room on 6/27 and 6/29 for in-person collections.

## **Engineer's Report:**

Engineer reported that the ad for the Robertson Road and Hillside Remediation RFP is going out tomorrow. It will be a soil nailing and road repair project. The flow isolation study was completed with great results. All flow results were 1200 GPMID and lower. That report will go to ACHD implementation. The Township's flow rates are so good, we might not actually have 10% flow to reduce.

## **Solicitor's Report:**

Solicitor has prepared an updated peddlers ordinance allowing residents to be on a no solicitation list and also allows enforcement of anyone who violates said ordinance. The Robertson Road RFP will be advertised on 5/7 and 5/14 – a mandatory RFP meeting is scheduled to take place on 5/24. Solicitor received pre-application sketches for YSWPCS. They would like to do minor updates to the parking area. They will present their plans to the Planning Commission prior to the next pre-agenda meeting. Lastly, the IFC Ordinance updates will be advertised on 5/22 for consideration at the next regular meeting. In regard to the fireworks ordinance, state law does handle regulations regarding the setting off and sales of fireworks. Solicitor suggested that it might

be redundant to include that information in our own Code of Ordinances. Bianca of Edgeridge Drive asked how the fireworks ordinance is enforced. Solicitor McDermott explained that a resident can file a complaint (anonymously if they would like) by calling 9-1-1, which will dispatch the police.

**New Business:**

1. Upon Motion by Pellegrino and second by Downey  
Resolved to approve the April 2023 payroll and bill vouchers 26123 through 26155 and ACH payments both inclusive for \$118,076.41
2. Upon Motion by Downey and second by Pellegrino  
Resolved to approve the Summary Sheet of the April 2023 Secretary's Reports.
3. Upon Motion by McCabe and second by Fredrick  
Resolved to approve the April 4, 2023, Board Minutes.
4. Motion to adjourn at 8:15 pm.

***End of minutes***

***Nina Belcastro***

***Secretary/Manager***