

**ABERDEEN TOWNSHIP COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2010**

Present: Gregory Cannon
Owen Drapkin
James Lauro
Margaret Montone
Vincent Vinci
Fred Tagliarini

Absent: Wilhelmina Gumbs

Also Present: Joe Criscuolo, Township Manager
Dan McCarthy, Township Attorney
Diane Dabulas, Township Attorney

Mayor Tagliarini called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and stated that notice of this meeting has been posted and published in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

Planning Board Appointment: As discussed in the previous meeting, Mr. Akin Awofolaju submitted his resume for the unexpired Class IV member seat on the Planning Board expiring on December 31, 2010. A straw poll vote was unanimously in favor of bringing this resolution to tonight's public meeting.

Appropriation Transfer: This is a transfer between the 2009 Budget for Street Lighting in the amount of \$8279.30. A straw poll vote was unanimously in favor of bringing this resolution to tonight's public meeting.

Supporting Senate Bill No. 1 Abolishing COAH: This resolution urges the State Legislature to immediately pass Senate Bill No.1 to help streamline the Township's ability to reasonable assess and meet its mandated affordable housing obligations in a more logical and efficient manner based on the best available data at the local level and in conformance with smart growth and planning principles. A straw poll vote was unanimously in favor of bringing this resolution to tonight's public meeting.

Opposing Amending Time of Decision Rule: The resolution opposes legislation amending the Time of Decision Rule. S-82 and A-437 are intended to modify the Time of Decision rule, which currently allows municipalities to change the zoning regulations during the pendency of an application for development. A straw poll vote was unanimously in favor of bringing this resolution to tonight's public meeting.

Sewer Rate Ordinance: Sewer Rate Study was prepared by Thomas Fallon, Township

Auditor. The Township has been able to keep rates stable over the last five years and withstood large rate increases to the Township by the Bayshore Regional Sewerage Authority and increases in liability insurance costs. A straw poll vote was unanimously in favor of introducing this ordinance at tonight's public meeting.

Joe Criscuolo thanked the Department of Public Works Staff for doing a good job during the past snow storm .

Councilman Lauro stated he received a phone call from a resident, who did not leave a name or phone number regarding sleigh riding at Ross Field. There is a post sticking up that someone can get hurt on. Councilman Lauro contacted Joe Criscuolo, to possibly get hay or some barrier in front of the post, or pull the post out.

Joe Criscuolo stated with the storm there are many phone calls regarding debris and tree limbs, residents should bring the brush and tree limbs to the curb and DPW will pick up.

Dan McCarthy stated we need an executive session before the regular meeting for Contractual/Potential Litigation.

Councilman Drapkin made a motion to go into executive session, seconded by Deputy Mayor Vinci and unanimously concurred by Council.

The workshop meeting reconvened with the same members in attendance.

Councilman Drapkin made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Lauro and unanimously concurred by Council.

Fred Tagliarini, Mayor

Karen Ventura, Municipal Clerk