

**ABERDEEN TOWNSHIP COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING  
TUESDAY, JULY 19, 2005**

Present:               Wilhelmina Gumbs  
                          Thomas Perry  
                          Joseph Raymond  
                          Vincent Vinci  
                          Owen Drapkin  
                          David G. Sobel

Absent:                Nicholas Minutolo

Also Present:        Mark Coren, Township Manager  
                          Colleen Paterson, Township Attorney

Mayor Sobel 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.

Amendment to the 2005 Municipal Budget: This is an amendment to the introduced 2005 Municipal Budget. Mr. Coren thanked Susan Bass Levin, Senator Lesniak and Daniel McCarthy, Township Attorney for securing \$100,000 in aid for the first time in the history of Aberdeen Township. The amendment reflects the adding of \$100,000 in Extraordinary Municipal Aid, it increases surplus anticipated and decreases miscellaneous revenues by \$475,000. Mr. Coren stated it is recommended to introduce this amendment this evening and a public hearing be held at a special meeting on Monday, July 25, 2005. A straw poll vote was unanimously in favor of introducing this resolution at tonight's public meeting.

Sale of Undersize Township Lots: This ordinance lists the two (2) undersized lots in Aberdeen Township that are owned by the Township and are not need for public use and will be authorized to be sold. A straw poll vote was unanimously in favor of introducing this ordinance at tonight's public meeting.

Public Auction for Buildable Lots: The Township owns Block 75, Lot 7.02, Oakshade Avenue which will be sold at a public auction on Thursday, August 18, 2005 for not less than the minimum price of \$150,000. A straw poll vote was unanimously in favor of bringing this resolution to tonight's public meeting.

Engineering Services for Environmental Remediation, former Wastewater Plant: There is a need for engineering services for the Environmental Remediation, Former Wastewater Plant. CME Associates submitted a proposal dated May 24, 2005 for a cost not to exceed the sum of \$28,400. A straw poll vote was unanimously in favor of bringing this resolution to tonight's public meeting.

Tax Court Settlement Agreement: This is a settlement agreement between RCK Holdings Enterprises, LLC v. Township of Aberdeen in accordance with the Stipulations of Settlement for Dockets Nos. 002294-2004 & 0017672-2005. A straw poll vote was unanimously in favor of bringing this resolution to tonight's public meeting.

Release of Performance Bonds: Monmouth Neighborhood Housing, Inc. (Manna House) has requested the release of performance guarantees for Block 303, Lots 10,11,12, 640 Cliffwood Avenue. In a letter dated April 27, 2005, CME Associates recommends said release subject to the payment of outstanding inspection and professional fees and concurrence by the Township Manager and Attorney. A straw poll vote was unanimously in favor of bringing this resolution to tonight's public meeting.

Award of Contract for Vacuum Operated Street Sweeper: Bids were received on June 29, 2005 for the above stated. Municipal and Contractor Supplies of Huntingdon, PA was the lone bidder. In a memo dated July 1, 2005, James Lauro, Public Works Director recommends we accept the bid from Municipal and Contractor Supplies in the amount of \$149,504.00. A straw poll vote was unanimously in favor of bringing this resolution to tonight's public meeting.

Zoning Board Appointment: Thomas Bucco was presented to replace the unexpired term of Bobby Jones which expires on December 31, 2007 as a regular member of the Aberdeen Township Zoning Board of Adjustment.

Mayor Sobel stated he is appointing Elliot Kraus to the Library Board.

Councilman Raymond made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Vinci and unanimously concurred by Council.

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David G. Sobel, Mayor

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Karen Ventura, Municipal Clerk