

HATFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
September 28, 2005
7:30 PM

AGENDA

I. CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner President Gerald Andris called the Hatfield Township Board of Commissioner's September 28, 2005 meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Commissioner Andris asked Ms. Shafkowitz to call the roll. Present at the meeting were Commissioner President Gerald Andris, Commissioner Vice-President Jim O'Byrne, Commissioner John Norman, Commissioner Scott Brown and Commissioner James Bleakly, Jr. Also in attendance were Township Manager Stephanie Teoli Shafkowitz, Solicitor Joseph Kuhls, Township Planner Ken Amey, Engineer Joseph Nolan, Lieutenant Eric Schmitz and Administrative Assistant Melissa Shafer.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner President Andris led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner O'Byrne made a motion to approve the Agenda of the August 24, 2005 Hatfield Township Board of Commissioners meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Norman and carried on a 5-0 vote.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Board of Commissioners Workshop/Regular Meeting – August 24, 2005

Commissioner Bleakly made a motion to approve the August 24, 2005 Board of Commissioners Workshop/Regular Meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Norman and carried on a 5-0 vote.

2. Board of Commissioners Workshop Meeting – September 14, 2005

Commissioner Bleakly made a motion to approve the August 24, 2005 Board of Commissioners Workshop/Regular Meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Norman and carried on a 4-0-1 vote with Commissioner Andris abstaining.

VI. CITIZENS' COMMENTS

Please step forward to the podium and state your name and address for the record.

VII. SPECIAL ITEMS

1. Nature Camp Recognition

Commissioner Andris recognized Philip Services Corporation for sponsoring the Nature Camp program. He also thanked township staff and volunteers for their work in this program. A slide show of the Nature Camp program was shown to the board and residents.

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

**1. Open Space Plan
Resolution #05-34**

Commissioner Brown made a motion to endorse the Hatfield Township Open Space Plan and to authorize township staff to send it to Montgomery County for review. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Norman and carried on a 5-0 vote.

Commissioner Brown said that that Open Space Plan is great for the community. He thanked the staff and Open Space Committee volunteers for their work in developing the plan.

**2. DCNR Community Conservation Partnership Grant – Chestnut Street Trail
Resolution #05-35**

Commissioner Bleakly made a motion to approve Resolution #05-35. The motion was seconded by Commissioner O’Byrne and carried on a 5-0 vote.

3. Stratford Avenue Park

Commissioner O’Byrne made a motion to authorize staff to prepare an Ordinance allowing leashed dogs in Stratford Avenue Park. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Norman and carried on a 5-0 vote.

4. School Road Park Lighting Bid

Commissioner Bleakly made a motion to reject all bids. The motion was seconded by Commissioner O’Byrne and carried on a 5-0 vote.

Ms. Shafkowitz explained that the township only received one bid and it was significantly higher than the amount that was budgeted. The lighting project will be re-bid in early 2006.

5. National Geomatica Agreement

Commissioner Norman made a motion to approve the National Geomatica Agreement. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bleakly and carried on a 5-0 vote.

Commissioner Brown asked if the access issues he raised at the workshop meeting would be considered. Ms. Shafkowitz responded that those and other issues would be ironed out when staff and National Geomatica began to develop the site.

6. Hatfield Borough Pool Agreement

Commissioner Norman made a motion to approve the Hatfield Borough Pool Agreement. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bleakly and carried on a 5-0 vote.

7. Bills Payable

▪ **Paid Bills (September 2005) - \$203,346.12**

Commissioner Norman made a motion to approve the Paid Bills for September in the amount of \$203,346.12. The motion was seconded by Commissioner O'Byrne and carried on a 5-0 vote.

▪ **Bills To Be Paid (September 2005) - \$489,931.07**

Commissioner Norman made a motion to approve the Bills to be Paid for September in the amount of \$489,931.07. The motion was seconded by Commissioner O'Byrne and carried on a 5-0 vote.

8. Treasurer's Report

Commissioner Andris entered the September 2005 Treasurer's Report into record.

IX. OTHER BUSINESS

X. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner O'Byrne made a motion to adjourn the September 28, 2005 Board of Commissioners meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Norman and carried on a 5-0 vote. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.