

**HATFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
WORKSHOP MEETING AGENDA
November 9, 2005
7:30 PM**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner President Gerald Andris called the Hatfield Township Board of Commissioner's November 9, 2005 meeting to order at 9:05 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, Chief Mark Toomey, Finance Director John Hall, Parks and Recreation Director Nancy Stock, and Administrative Assistant Melissa Shafer.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

IV. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

Mr. Kuhls reported on the pending ward consolidation petition. He explained that with two new commissioners starting next year, it would most likely be the desire of the new Board to withdraw the ward consolidation petition in January. To save taxpayer money and township resources, Mr. Kuhls recommended that the Board consider withdrawing the petition now.

Commissioner Scott Brown made a motion to withdraw the ward consolidation petition. The motion was seconded by Commissioner John Norman and carried on a 5-0 vote.

V. SPECIAL ITEMS

A. Introduction of Officer Christopher Graham

Chief Toomey introduced Officer Graham, who was sworn into office on Monday, November 7, 2005 by District Justice Deatlehauser.

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Planning and Zoning Committee – Commissioner Brown

1. Planning Commission Meeting Minutes – *October 18, 2005*

Commissioner Brown entered the October 18, 2005 Planning Commission Meeting Minutes into record.

2. J. Monzo Final Minor Land Development – 2020 N. Broad Street – Zoned C

The engineer representing J. Monzo reviewed the plans for the minor land development. There were no questions from the Board of Commissioners.

B. Public Works Committee – Commissioner Norman

C. Parks and Recreation Committee – Commissioner O’Byrne

1. Hatfield Township Parks and Recreation Board Meeting Minutes – *October 3, 2005*

Commissioner O’Byrne entered the October 3, 2005 Hatfield Township Parks and Recreation Board Meeting Minutes into record.

2. Hatfield Township Shade Tree Commission Meeting Minutes – *October 17, 2005*

Commissioner O’Byrne entered the October 17, 2005 Hatfield Township Shade Tree Commission Meeting Minutes into record.

Commissioner O’Byrne reported on recent and upcoming parks and recreation events in the township. He announced that Shade Tree Commission member Maryann Carlson passed away this month. Commissioner Andris asked for a moment of silence to remember Ms. Carlson.

D. Public Safety Committee - Commissioner Norman

1. Monthly Report of Police Activities – *October 2005*

Commissioner Norman entered the October 2005 Monthly Report of Police Activities into record.

2. Discussion of “Slow Down” Sign Program

Chief Toomey provided a report on the implementation of a program to utilize “Slow Down” signs in Hatfield Township. It is his

recommendation that a limited quantity of these signs be utilized in targeted neighborhoods on a rotating basis. The Board authorized that the Chief move forward with this program.

Tara Chavarria of Walnut Street expressed her concerns over speeding on Walnut Street.

E. Finance Committee – Commissioner O’Byrne

F. Hatfield Township Municipal Authority – Commissioner Andris

1. Hatfield Township Municipal Authority Meeting Minutes – *September 14, 2005*

Commissioner Andris entered the September 14, 2005 Hatfield Township Municipal Authority Meeting Minutes into record.

2. Hatfield Township Municipal Authority Monthly Budget Report – *September 2005*

Commissioner Andris entered the September 2005 Hatfield Township Municipal Authority Monthly Budget Report into record.

VII. TOWNSHIP STAFF REPORTS

A. Township Manager’s Report

1. Act 209 Traffic Impact Fee Ordinance

Ms. Shafkowitz reviewed the Act 209 Traffic Impact Fee Ordinance and explained that the Board would have the option of adopting the Traffic Impact Fee by an ordinance at the November 21 action meeting.

B. Solicitor’s Report

1. Funks Road Vacation

Mr. Kuhls explained that with Clemens Road now open, the Board of Commissioners may move forward on vacating Funks Road. A hearing for effectuating this change is scheduled for the November 21, 2005 meeting.

C. Engineer’s Report

1. Escrow Report – *October 2005*

Mr. Nolan entered the October 2005 Escrow Report into record.

VIII. OTHER BUSINESS

A. 2006 Budget Presentation

Ms. Shafkowitz presented the 2006 Budget Highlights in a power point presentation.

Jerry Viglietti of Cabin Road asked about the recycling line item and the police overtime line item. Ms. Shafkowitz answered his questions.

IX. ADJOURN

Commissioner O'Byrne made a motion to adjourn the November 9, 2005 Board of Commissioners meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown and carried on a 5-0 vote. The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 p.m.