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ASTON TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MEETING  
FEBRUARY 17, 2016

Transcript of the ASTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF  
COMMISSIONERS MEETING, taken before Lorraine Evans,  
Court Reporter-Notary Public, at the Township  
Building, 5021 Pennell Road, Aston, Pennsylvania  
19014, on Wednesday, February 17, 2016,  
commencing approximately at 7:00 p.m.

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JON FIRLEIN  
MARK T. OSBORN  
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JAMES W. MCGINN

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VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Good evening,  
everybody. I would like to call to order this  
Aston Township Board of Commissioners meeting  
for Wednesday, February 17, 2016. Please all  
rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

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7 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Please remain  
8 standing for a moment of silence for the  
9 following people. Albert A. Blanda. Mr.  
10 Blanda age 88 lived in the Fourth Ward of Aston  
11 for the past 52 years. He served with the U.S.  
12 Army during World War II and was stationed in  
13 the Philippines. I think he was also a  
14 co-worker of Mr. Firlein years back. Josephine  
15 Hellen Aleardi. Mrs. Aleardi was 86 and a  
16 resident of Aston's Fourth Ward for over 53  
17 years. And Margaret Hample was 91 and was a  
18 resident of Aston's First Ward and cousin of  
19 Commissioner Carol Graham. Moment of silence,  
20 please.

21 (Moment of Silence)

22 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Thank you. I  
23 would like to give you a couple of updates.  
24 Commissioner Graham.

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1 COMMISSIONER GRAHAM: Thank you,  
2 Commissioner Higgins. At this time I would  
3 like to update -- give you an update on the  
4 progress of the Aston Mills Bridge. As  
5 Murphy's law would have it, there was a problem  
6 installing the guiderail on the bridge this  
7 afternoon. The explanation from PennDOT was a  
8 gas line was accidentally pierced during the  
9 installation.

10 Our fire company was called as  
11 precautionary measure and remained an hour

12 until PECO addressed the situation. According  
13 to PennDOT, PECO was expected to have the  
14 problem solved sometime this evening. I  
15 noticed they weren't there when I came. I  
16 assume they are done. It is not supposed to  
17 cause a delay on the opening of the bridge by  
18 the weekend. So, we're praying that everything  
19 goes through now like it's supposed to.

20 Secondly, I wanted to give an update on  
21 the Lister House on the corner of Aston Mills  
22 and Mount Roads. While waiting for a grant  
23 submitted to the county in hopes that it would  
24 cover the cost of the demolition of the Lister

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1 House, the township was approached by Iacobucci  
2 Builders with an offer to contract with local  
3 business Opdenaker Demolition and cover the  
4 cost of the demolition. The township intends  
5 to use some of the field stone from the  
6 structure to build a small wall and sign  
7 describing the history of the property and the  
8 village of Aston Mills.

9 We are very grateful for their donation  
10 and to be able to report that entire cost to  
11 the township for this project has been less  
12 than \$400.00; which was for the cost of the  
13 property in filing fees for the county. That's  
14 all I have. Thank you.

15 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Thank you. I  
16 have one announcement about the DCIU. At the

17 January Board of Commissioners meeting, I  
18 reported that the Conditional Use Hearing  
19 originally scheduled for January 28, 2016 to  
20 hear the DCIU application was cancelled. To  
21 date, we have not received a request from the  
22 DCIU's attorney to reschedule the meeting.  
23 When we receive the request to reschedule, we  
24 will advertise the date and time as has been

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1 done in the past. Thank you.  
2 Item three on the agenda, review and  
3 approval of bills and payroll.  
4 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Make a motion to  
5 approve the bills and payroll.  
6 COMMISSIONER FIRLEIN: Second.  
7 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Motion and  
8 second. Any comments or questions? All in  
9 favor signify by saying "aye." Thank you. The  
10 "ayes" have it.  
11 (Whereupon, all Commissioners  
12 present vote "aye.")  
13 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Four, review the  
14 approval of the minutes of the regular meeting  
15 of January 20, 2016.  
16 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Make a motion to  
17 approve the minutes of January 20, 2016.  
18 COMMISSIONER OSBORN: Second.  
19 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Motion and  
20 second. Any comments or questions? All in  
21 favor signify by saying "aye". All opposed?  
22 The "ayes" have it.

23 (Whereupon, all Commissioners  
24 present vote "aye.")

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1 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Item number five,  
2 recognition. Commissioner Link has an  
3 achievement award to provide.

4 COMMISSIONER LINK: Yes. I have a  
5 recognition, Certificate of Achievement to  
6 present to Kate Lannon. I'll read a statement.

7 It gives us great pleasure to acknowledge  
8 and congratulate Kate Lannon on her achievement  
9 of scoring 1,000 points on January 9, 2016 when  
10 the Sun Valley Vanguards defeated Chester 52 to  
11 41.

12 Kate is only the second player in Sun  
13 Valley High School history to secure 1,000  
14 points before her senior year. Kate has played  
15 youth basketball in Aston Township, St.  
16 Joseph's CYO team, and for Northley Middle  
17 School.

18 Over the past two years Kate has been a  
19 second team All-Delco selection and she was  
20 selected to the All-Ches-Mont first team.

21 Although the Ches-Mont League is an  
22 extremely competitive League, Kate currently  
23 stands as its leading scorer.

24 Kate plays basketball year round. In the

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1 summer she plays for the Comets, which is an

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Kate and her sister Libby have lived in Aston all their lives. Kate is the daughter of Terri and Mike Lannon and the granddaughter of Frank Marcello.

Aston Township Board of Commissioners hereby recognizes Kate Lannon this 17th day of February, 2016.

(Applause)

COMMISSIONER LINK: Present this to you. This is your achievement.

VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Okay, congratulations Kate. Next, item six, Committee Reports. Commissioner Firlein.

COMMISSIONER FIRLEIN: Thank you. Public works road performance report activity. Normal pick up all trash, reported streetlight issues to Lenni Electric, replace and repair street signs throughout the township, maintain all parks in the township, pick up branches, trash, leaves, et cetera, removed stored all the holiday decorations and also began completing Christmas tree pick up, all completed.

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Completed revised streetlight for the township, cleaned the carpet in the room here, installed foundation wall and prepped site for new welcome sign on Concord Road and Cherry Tree Road, serviced all the lighting and replaced ceiling tiles in the administration building, cut the road banks on Crozerville Road and

8 Mount Road, repaired all trucks for the winter  
9 storm, prepped and primed and painted fencing  
10 for the Easter, Christmas displays, purchased  
11 installed new hand dryer for Community Center's  
12 bathrooms, replaced spinner motor on truck #9,  
13 rented a stump grinder and started grinding  
14 stumps in Collins Park, Woodbrook Park, Valley  
15 View Park and North Lamp Post Park, total of 58  
16 stumps completed. Cleaned the bridge at North  
17 Lamp Post and Opdenakers, salted and plowed  
18 heavy snow from this past January, cleaned the  
19 crosswalks, worked on the backhoe, battery  
20 cable issues on that, replaced starter on truck  
21 nine and began making brine again for next  
22 winter storm and welded plow on frame truck on  
23 truck five that needed repair. That's all,  
24 thank you.

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1 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Read the one for  
2 the permits and licenses.  
3 COMMISSIONER FIRLEIN: Permits and  
4 licenses report. This is Building and Codes  
5 Department. Following is a report for the  
6 permits and licenses issued for the month of  
7 January, 2016. Total income from building  
8 permits and general contractor licenses,  
9 \$16,440. Total electrical, \$6,745.00, total  
10 plumbing and heating, \$12,487. Income from  
11 Board of Health licenses, \$14,175, income from  
12 Commercial Life Safety Inspections, \$300.00,

13 income from Certificates of Occupancy, \$8,700,  
14 income from rental licenses, \$2,250, total  
15 revenue collected \$61,097. Totals for 2016,  
16 \$61,097 compared to the same period January  
17 2015, \$23,406. Thank you.

18 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Thank you,  
19 Commissioner. Commissioner Osborn.

20 COMMISSIONER OSBORN: Thank you.  
21 Financial report for February 2016 from 1/1/16  
22 to 2/12/16. Cash on hand as of 1/1/16,  
23 \$1,525,350.65, receipts, \$1,226,498.84,  
24 expenditures, actual payments, \$1,500,537.99.

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1 Cash on hand as of 2/12/16, \$1,206,165.83. TD  
2 liquid fuel account, \$121,356.55. Should be  
3 noted we have an adjustment to the Capital  
4 account due to a typo on the January report.  
5 It should have read \$1,212,526.91, not  
6 \$12,212,526.91. We wish it would have read 12.  
7 The TD Bank total capital reserve,  
8 \$1,230,130.47.

9 Treasurer's report for January. Beginning  
10 balance 1/1/16, \$1,525,350.65, total revenue,  
11 \$613,534.36, less expenditures of \$739,955.23  
12 less payroll of \$355,739.21, for a closing  
13 balance on 1/31/16 of \$1,053,190.57. The  
14 liquid fuel account, closing balance, is  
15 \$121 -- which I think I read already,  
16 \$121,356.55 and the TD Reserve stays at  
17 \$1,230,130.47. As I always say, I have all the  
18 smaller accounts, escrow, maintenance, etc, if

19 anyone cares to see them. That's all I have.

20 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Thank you. while  
21 we are on the treasurer's report I need a  
22 motion to approve the treasurer's report.

23 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Make a motion to  
24 approve the treasurer's report.

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1 COMMISSIONER FIRLEIN: Second.

2 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: We have a motion  
3 and a second. All in favor signify by saying  
4 "aye". All against? The "ayes" have it.

5 (whereupon, all Commissioners  
6 present vote "aye.")

7 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Commissioner  
8 Graham.

9 COMMISSIONER GRAHAM: Thank you.  
10 Commissioner. Aston Township Fire Department  
11 Fire and EMS report for January 2016. Fire  
12 calls 39, EMS calls 104, total month calls 143,  
13 average manpower per fire incident 11.

14 I also wanted to mention the second  
15 meeting to discuss the site for the new fire  
16 house location is scheduled for Thursday,  
17 March 3rd, seven p.m. at the Community Center.  
18 An informational letter is being sent to all  
19 residents and businesses. Everyone should be  
20 receiving them starting this weekend.

21 I also wanted to mention in our Parks and  
22 Rec, the township Easter egg hunt will be held  
23 on Saturday, March 19 at the Community Center

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1 immediately following the egg hunt. Rain date  
2 is Saturday, March 26, 10:30 a.m. at the same  
3 location and free pictures with the bunny and  
4 little crafts and just a good time. That's all  
5 I have. Thank you.

6 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Commissioner  
7 McGinn.

8 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Yes, police report  
9 from December. Incidents handled 525, accident  
10 investigations 40, criminal investigations 38.  
11 Clearance Rate Part I Crimes 8 percent,  
12 Clearance Rate Part II, 31 percent.

13 Police report for January, incidents  
14 handled 691, accident investigations 40,  
15 Criminal investigations 36, Clearance Rate Part  
16 I 44 percent, Clearance Rate Part II, 81  
17 percent. That's all I have.

18 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Thank you  
19 Commissioner. Item number 8, open to the  
20 public for agenda items only, one half hour.  
21 If you would like to speak come on up and give  
22 us your name and address.

23 A VOICE: Victor Kushto, 900 Ford Avenue.  
24 You have on the agenda about the meeting. I

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1 assume I can speak about that.

2 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Yes.

3 MR. KUSHTO: I think, in my opinion, you

4 ought to table the whole idea. I don't think  
5 you're really prepared enough to deal with  
6 this. I don't think Green Ridge Firehouse is a  
7 very viable option and I don't think this  
8 location is a very viable option. I think  
9 maybe you ought to have a study done and come  
10 up with a better plan. This seems to me to be  
11 heading in a bad direction. For example, the  
12 Green Ridge is in your ward, is it not?

13 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Yes, it is.

14 MR. KUSHTO: Puts you in a tough spot,  
15 doesn't it?

16 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: I am a big boy.  
17 I realize the ramifications of it being in the  
18 Seventh ward, which is my ward, and I realize  
19 the ramifications of it being in any other ward  
20 but, Mr. Kushto, the reason we are having the  
21 meetings is to get input from the residents.

22 MR. KUSHTO: I don't think you're going to  
23 get a fair input from the residents if you're  
24 going to have people who are going to come down

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1 and raise a lot of noise and intimidate people  
2 and keep them from speaking. A lot of people  
3 don't like to get up in public and speak to  
4 start with. So the public meeting the way it's  
5 going so far, you're going to hear the squeaky  
6 wheel. That's it.

7 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Mr. Kushto,  
8 everyone has an opportunity to come up and

9 speak. We have received nothing in writing  
10 from anyone saying they're for or against.  
11 This is an opportunity. It's a very informal  
12 setting and it's up to an individual to come up  
13 and speak and say what they want to say. We  
14 have had studies done.

15 MR. KUSHTO: That's all I wanted to say  
16 about it. I don't think it's headed in the  
17 right direction.

18 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: I respect your  
19 opinion. Thank you. Anyone else like to come  
20 up?

21 A VOICE: My name is Robert Ford. I live  
22 at 427 Garden Lane in Aston, and I called the  
23 Code Department two different times about a  
24 vehicle being parked on the lawn, and it's a

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1 big giant camper, motorized camper, 30, 40 foot  
2 long. About 15-foot of it is on the front lawn  
3 and when I talked to the Code Enforcer he said  
4 he can't back it up anymore and obviously he  
5 wasn't going to do anything about it. I kind  
6 of wanted to know why. Is he a friend of this  
7 guy? The address is 429 Garden Lane.

8 And I want the trailer moved. Every time  
9 I look out my picture window that's all I see.  
10 I brought pictures on my phone if you would  
11 like to see it. It is in violation. Even the  
12 police said it's in violation. No one will do  
13 anything about it.

14 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Mr. McGinn would

15           like to address your concerns, although we do  
16           have pictures already.

17           COMMISSIONER MCGINN: I know right where  
18           you're talking about and I talked to Code  
19           Enforcement. He said it's fine. It fits  
20           within all codes. He says that's fine with  
21           him. I will look at it this week.

22           MR. FORD: It is?

23           COMMISSIONER MCGINN: I am telling you  
24           what he said. I will look at it personally.

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1           MR. FORD: You will look at it personally?

2           COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Yes.

3           MR. FORD: And give me a call?

4           COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Yes.

5           MR. FORD: Do you want my number?

6           COMMISSIONER MCGINN: You can give it to  
7           me after the meeting.

8           MR. FORD: Okay, thanks.

9           VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Thank you, Mr.  
10          Ford. Anyone else have any questions or  
11          comments? Seeing none, move on, okay, new  
12          business, Item A, announce intent to adopt an  
13          ordinance amending the Aston Township Pension  
14          Plan Ordinance. Commissioner McGinn.

15          COMMISSIONER MCGINN: I would like to  
16          announce the intent to adopt an ordinance  
17          amending Aston Township Pension Plan to modify  
18          the service increment fee to \$300. This  
19          amendment will amend the Pension Plan to

20 coincide with the amount provided in the Police  
21 Collective Bargaining Agreement, form of a  
22 motion. Oh, it's an intent. That's all.

23 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Item B, Announce  
24 intent to amend the zoning ordinance Chapter

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1 1274.02G, daycare facilities. Commissioner  
2 Firlein.

3 COMMISSIONER FIRLEIN: Like to announce  
4 the intent to amend zoning ordinance Chapter  
5 1274.02G to correctly establish the use  
6 regulations for daycare facilities in the SC  
7 Shopping Center zoning district in the form of  
8 a motion.

9 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: It's an intent.  
10 Item C under new business, announce intent to  
11 consider an ordinance amending the agreement  
12 with the Delaware County Solid waste Authority.  
13 Commissioner Firlein.

14 COMMISSIONER FIRLEIN: I would like to  
15 announce the intent to consider an ordinance  
16 amending the agreement with the Delaware County  
17 Solid waste Authority for the regulation of the  
18 disposal of a municipal solid waste by  
19 extending Aston's participation in the program  
20 for an additional 25 years.

21 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Thank you. Item  
22 D, consider a motion to authorize the proper  
23 officers to execute the guaranteed savings  
24 agreement with Johnson Controls. Commissioner

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1 Osborn.  
2 COMMISSIONER OSBORN: I make a motion to  
3 authorize the proper officers to execute the  
4 guaranteed savings agreement with Johnson  
5 Controls Incorporated for the replacement of  
6 the remaining Aston streetlights to LED's. The  
7 program will be financed through a lease  
8 agreement with Pennsef with a payback period of  
9 less than eight years. Over the 20 year period  
10 Aston will save in excess of \$800,000, form of  
11 a motion.

12 COMMISSIONER GRAHAM: Second.

13 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Motion and  
14 second. All in favor signify by saying "aye."  
15 All against? The "ayes" have it.

16 (Whereupon, all Commissioners  
17 present vote "aye.")

18 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Item E, announce  
19 an award of a grant from the Pennsylvania  
20 Department of Conservation and Natural  
21 Resources. Commissioner Graham.

22 COMMISSIONER GRAHAM: Thank you,  
23 Commissioner Higgins. I would like to announce  
24 an award of grant from the Pennsylvania

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1 Department of Conservation and Natural  
2 Resources in the amount of \$164,000 to renovate  
3 valley view Park. The township match is  
4 50 percent, which will be provided in part from

5 cash and in part from volunteer efforts of the  
6 Boy Scout Troop 225 and donations from local  
7 businesses. Thank you.

8 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Item F, consider  
9 a motion to authorize the bidding of the 2016  
10 road program. Commissioner Firlein.

11 COMMISSIONER FIRLEIN: Thank you. I make  
12 a motion to authorize the bidding of the 2016  
13 road program, in the form of a motion.

14 COMMISSIONER OSBORN: Second.

15 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Motion and  
16 second. All in favor signify by saying "aye".  
17 All against? The "ayes" have it.

18 (Whereupon, all Commissioners  
19 present vote "aye.")

20 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Item G, consider  
21 a motion to adopt a resolution granting  
22 preliminary final approval for GEM property  
23 management. Commissioner Graham.

24 COMMISSIONER GRAHAM: Thank you. I am

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1 going to read the resolution. Township of  
2 Aston, Delaware County, Pennsylvania,  
3 preliminary final plan approval for GEM  
4 Property Management LLC.

5 whereas, a preliminary final plan has been  
6 submitted for a parcel of ground located on the  
7 south side of Crozerville Road approximately  
8 250 feet west of Mt. Pleasant Drive.

9 whereas, a formal plan dated the 11th day  
10 of December 2015 with storm water management

11 calculations dated the 22nd day of December  
12 2015 prepared by G.D. Houtman and Son, Inc.,  
13 Aston Township File 2015-008 has been presented  
14 to the Board of Commissioners.

15 Now, therefore, be it resolved that the  
16 Board of Commissioners recommends final  
17 approval subject to the following: Compliance  
18 with Pennoni Associates letter of January 25,  
19 2016, compliance with Aston Township Planning  
20 Commission comments of January 27, 2016,  
21 compliance with Delaware County Planning  
22 Commission letter of January 21, 2016, and  
23 compliance with the Zoning Hearing Board  
24 decision of October 27, 2015. The applicant is

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1 further required to install curbing along  
2 Birney Highway and agree to install sidewalks  
3 along Birney Highway if needed in the future.

4 Duly adopted this 17th day of February,  
5 2016, Township of Aston, James M. Stigale,  
6 President, Board of Commissioners, attested to  
7 by Richard D. Lehr, secretary manager in the  
8 form of a motion.

9 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Second.

10 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: We have a motion  
11 and second. All in favor signify by saying  
12 "aye." Opposed? The "ayes" have it.

13 (Whereupon, all Commissioners  
14 present vote "aye.")

15 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Item H, consider

16 a resolution which would authorize submission  
17 of an application to Delaware County for liquid  
18 fuel tax. Commissioner Firlein.

19 COMMISSIONER FIRLEIN: Consider a  
20 resolution authorize the submission of an  
21 application to Delaware County for  
22 participation in the Delaware County liquid  
23 fuel tax program, in form of a motion.

24 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Second.

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1 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Motion and  
2 second. All in favor signify by saying "aye".  
3 Opposed? The "ayes" have it.

4 (whereupon, all Commissioners  
5 present vote "aye.")

6 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Next item, I,  
7 consider a motion which will authorize the  
8 auction of township equipment. Commissioner  
9 Osborn.

10 COMMISSIONER OSBORN: Thank you. Consider  
11 a motion to authorize the auction of the  
12 following equipment: 1999 Chevrolet 3500  
13 ambulance swat vehicle, V8 gasoline, A/C not  
14 working, Vin number 1GBJC34J4XF089180, title #  
15 55051079703. Additionally 2014 Dodge Charger,  
16 Vin number 2C30XAT5EH252529, title number  
17 73435714601, in the form of a motion.

18 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Second.

19 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Motion and  
20 second. Comments or questions? All in favor  
21 signify by saying "aye". All opposed? The

22 "ayes" have it.

23 (Whereupon, all Commissioners

24 present vote "aye.")

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1 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Item J, announce  
2 public hearing for the proposed fire station.  
3 Commissioner Graham.

4 COMMISSIONER GRAHAM: Thank you. I would  
5 like to announce a public hearing of the  
6 location of the proposed firehouse to be held  
7 at the Community Center on March 3rd, 2016,  
8 7:00 p.m.

9 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Thank you. Item  
10 K, consider a motion to approve the acquisition  
11 of a folio on Concord Road. Commissioner  
12 Graham.

13 COMMISSIONER GRAHAM: Thank you. I make a  
14 motion to approve the acquisition of folio  
15 02-00-00400-01 on Concord Road from the  
16 PennDelco School District, in the form of a  
17 motion.

18 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Second.

19 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Motion and  
20 second. Any comments or questions? All in  
21 favor signify by saying "aye". Opposed? The  
22 "ayes" have it.

23 (Whereupon, all Commissioners

24 present vote "aye.")

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1 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Item L, consider  
2 a refund in the amount of \$150.00 for duplicate  
3 fee. Commissioner Firlein.

4 COMMISSIONER FIRLEIN: Make a motion to  
5 refund \$150.00 for receipt number 003736 to Suk  
6 Ling Chung, 219 North 10th Street,  
7 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19107 for refund of  
8 a duplicate fee for a rental license, form of a  
9 motion.

10 COMMISSIONER OSBORN: Second.

11 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Motion and  
12 second. Any comments or questions? All in  
13 favor signify by saying "aye". Opposed? The  
14 "ayes" have it.

15 (Whereupon, all Commissioners  
16 present vote "aye.")

17 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Item number 10,  
18 escrow releases. Commissioner Firlein, be my  
19 guest.

20 COMMISSIONER FIRLEIN: Thank you.  
21 whereas, Ordinance 240 and Ordinance 360  
22 provide for escrow funds for completion of  
23 improvements; and

24 whereas, the township engineer and the New  
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1 Construction Committee has approved a request  
2 for escrow funds transferred from sub account  
3 7763507026 to sub account 7763506325.

4 Now, therefore, be it resolved that Aston  
5 Township execute such action as required by the  
6 township secretary and the President of the

7 Board of Commissioners to transfer the sum of  
8 \$27.09 for FedEx Tracking Number 802996475623.

9 Duly adopted the 17th day of February,  
10 2016, Township of Aston by James M. Stigale,  
11 President, Board of Commissioners, attested to  
12 by Richard D. Lehr, township secretary. Aston  
13 Township -- form of a motion.

14 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Second.

15 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Motion and  
16 second. Any comments or questions? All in  
17 favor signify by saying "aye". All opposed?  
18 The "ayes" have it.

19 (Whereupon, all Commissioners  
20 present vote "aye.").

21 COMMISSIONER FIRLEIN: Whereas, Ordinance  
22 240 and Ordinance 360 provide for escrow funds  
23 for completion of improvements, and

24 Whereas, the township engineer and New  
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1 Construction Committee has approved the request  
2 for escrows released to Jane Meeley, folio  
3 2786-95, sub account 7763507266.

4 Now, therefore, be it resolved that Aston  
5 Township execute such action as required by the  
6 township secretary and the President of the  
7 Board of Commissioners to release the sum of  
8 \$11,066.67 to Jane Meeley.

9 Duly adopted this 17th of February, 2016,  
10 Township of Aston, James M. Stigale, President,  
11 Board of Commissioners, attested Richard D.

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12 Lehr, township secretary, form of a motion.

13 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Second.

14 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Motion and  
15 second. Any comments or questions? All in  
16 favor signify by saying "aye". Motion carries.

17 (Whereupon, all Commissioners  
18 present vote "aye.")

19 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Next one.

20 COMMISSIONER FIRLEIN: Whereas, the  
21 township engineer and New Construction  
22 Committee has approved a request for escrow  
23 funds released for Benbrooke Dutton, L.P.,  
24 folio 1472-00, sub account 7763507026.

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1 Now, therefore, be it resolved that Aston  
2 Township execute such action as required to  
3 release the sum of \$3,616.00 to Benbrooke  
4 Dutton, L.P., in the form of a motion.

5 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Second.

6 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Motion and  
7 second. Any comments or questions? All in  
8 favor signify by saying "aye". All opposed?  
9 The "ayes" have it.

10 (Whereupon, all Commissioners  
11 present vote "aye.")

12 COMMISSIONER FIRLEIN: Once again, funds  
13 released to Erin McKenney, folio 0786-00, sub  
14 account 7763507208, to release the sum of  
15 \$3,500.00 to Erin McKenney, form of a motion.

16 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Second.

17 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Motion and

18 second. Any comments or questions? All in  
19 favor signify by saying "aye". Opposed? The  
20 "ayes" have it.

21 (Whereupon, all Commissioners  
22 present vote "aye.")

23 COMMISSIONER FIRLEIN: Once again funds  
24 released to Patrick R. Lynch, folio 1096-00,  
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1 sub account 7763506820, to release the sum of  
2 \$972.66 to Patrick R. Lynch, in the form of a  
3 motion.

4 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Second.

5 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Motion and  
6 second. Any comments or questions? All in  
7 favor signify by saying "aye". Opposed? The  
8 "ayes" have it.

9 (Whereupon, all Commissioners  
10 present vote "aye.")

11 COMMISSIONER FIRLEIN: Funds released to  
12 Erin McKenney, folio 0786-00, sub account  
13 77635071259, to release the sum of \$309.00 to  
14 Erin McKenney, form of a motion.

15 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Second.

16 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Motion and  
17 second. Any comments or questions? All in  
18 favor signify by saying "aye". Opposed? The  
19 "ayes" have it.

20 (Whereupon, all Commissioners  
21 present vote "aye.")

22 COMMISSIONER FIRLEIN: Following escrows

24 Associates for the month of February. The

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1 Falls, \$805.00, The Falls, \$632.50,  
2 Delcora/SWDCMA, \$307.25, 44 Neeld Lane,  
3 \$193.25, Wawa Enclosure, \$153.50, Pizza Hut  
4 Subdivision, \$118.00, 419 Marianville Road,  
5 \$111.00 in the form of a motion.

6 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Second.

7 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Motion and  
8 second. Any comments or questions? All in  
9 favor signify by saying "aye". Opposed? The  
10 "ayes" have it.

11 (Whereupon, all Commissioners  
12 present vote "aye.")

13 COMMISSIONER FIRLEIN: Following escrows  
14 are payable to Aston Township due to the  
15 general fund for Cirilli Associates. Bills for  
16 the month of February. 745 Goodale Road,  
17 \$402.50, 2209 N. Lee Lane, \$373.75, 305 Hidden  
18 Valley Road, \$172.50, 1 Worth Hill, \$115.00 in  
19 the form of a motion.

20 COMMISSIONER LINK: Second.

21 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Motion and  
22 second. Questions or comments? All in favor  
23 signify by saying "aye." Opposed? The "ayes"  
24 have it.

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1 (Whereupon, all Commissioners  
2 present vote "aye.")



8 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Mrs. Petlikowski,  
9 I have seen correspondence that went out.  
10 Solicitor, can you help us.  
11 MS. NAUGHTON-BECK: I know we sent  
12 correspondence in response to the appeal that  
13 you filed in the hearing.  
14 MS. PETLIKOWSKI: Could you resend that  
15 because we didn't get anything.  
16 MS. NAUGHTON-BECK: Regular mail and  
17 e-mail, neither one came back.  
18 MS. PETLIKOWSKI: We didn't get an e-mail  
19 on it. We haven't gotten anything. I don't  
20 know if that had the wrong address.  
21 MS. NAUGHTON-BECK: I hit Reply to your  
22 e-mail, but I am happy to send it back.  
23 MS. PETLIKOWSKI: I think this is the  
24 first time we are asking. We don't have

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1 anything. Send it to us. Do you have a copy  
2 tonight?  
3 MS. NAUGHTON-BECK: I don't have it, no.  
4 MS. PETLIKOWSKI: And I am wondering if  
5 our permit wasn't reinstated from that meeting,  
6 is there an appeal process or what the next  
7 step is?  
8 MS. NAUGHTON-BECK: It's in the letter.  
9 MS. PETLIKOWSKI: That's all included in  
10 there? That's good. I just have a question.  
11 Who oversees the township? You'll have that?  
12 That will be included in the directions?  
13 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: What was the

14 question?

15 MS. PETLIKOWSKI: Who would oversee that  
16 appeal? You said it would be included with the  
17 determination that you send.

18 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: The appeal was  
19 made to the Board of Commissioners and we gave  
20 you some options to choose from.

21 MS. PETLIKOWSKI: Within that?

22 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: It was in the  
23 letter and there was some stipulations in there  
24 all explained in the letter what you folks

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1 needed to do to do what you're requesting.  
2 It's all in the letter. I don't have it with  
3 me tonight. I am familiar with it.

4 MS. PETLIKOWSKI: Send that by mail and  
5 forward to us again?

6 MS. NAUGHTON-BECK: Sure.

7 MS. PETLIKOWSKI: Want to check our e-mail  
8 address? I can give it to you now.

9 MS. NAUGHTON-BECK: You want to do it out  
10 in public? You can give it to me later.

11 MS. PETLIKOWSKI: Sure.

12 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Thank you.  
13 Stephen.

14 A VOICE: Stephen Sarazin, 730 14th  
15 Avenue, Prospect Park. I'm the director of the  
16 Aston Public Library here to give my brief  
17 monthly report.

18 We are hosting the PALS for Reading,

19 Reading to Dogs program again in March,  
20 sponsored by the Glenn Riddle Rotary Club.  
21 This program helps shy children gain comfort  
22 reading allowed by practicing with trained  
23 therapy dogs.

24 The Friends of the Library are raffling a

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1 great Easter basket to enjoy or as a gift to a  
2 friend. You can get one ticket for \$2.00,  
3 three for \$5.00 or seven for \$10.00. The prize  
4 drawing is March 24.

5 Do you have some gently used books  
6 published in the last 10 years? Donate them to  
7 the Friends of the Library for the upcoming  
8 sale. There will be a special drop in event on  
9 March the 5th and March the 12th from 10:00 to  
10 2:00. Bring your donations to the library  
11 service desk where the Friends will be able to  
12 help you moving large boxes from your car.

13 The library Lego Kids Club is on  
14 wednesdays 4:00 p.m. It's a great way for your  
15 child to learn about science and making things  
16 while having fun. The kids will be making a  
17 Lego story at the next program.

18 wednesday, March 15 at 5:00 p.m. Hempstead  
19 Stage presents the Ancient gods, Greek  
20 mytholody for kids. Your children can learn  
21 about the ideas and culture that shaped western  
22 civilization as we know it today, including the  
23 adventures of the Greek gods and ancient super  
24 heroes like Agamemnon and Hercules.

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1           You can now check out a Kindle Fire from  
2           the library for a week's free use. They come  
3           pre-loaded with free books and you can use them  
4           to get on-line, listen to the library's  
5           collection of digital music or watch the  
6           library's collection of Kindle movies.

7           Wednesday, March the 1st, 5:00 p.m. we'll  
8           be having a family block party. A block party  
9           is a 45 minute to an hour long pre-play  
10          session, a set of universal blocks, people,  
11          vehicles, animals, scarves and other materials  
12          where families with young children have the  
13          freedom to build and play as they wish. The  
14          program is funded through a grant from the  
15          state library.

16          For more information and registration for  
17          all of our programs go to the calendar at [www](http://www.aastonlibrary.org)  
18          dot Aston Library dot org. Any questions for  
19          me? Thank you.

20          VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Thank you very  
21          much.

22          A VOICE: My name's Joanne Rosenbaum. I  
23          am a neighbor, one Church Road in Middletown  
24          Township. Actually I work at Red Hill Farm in

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1           Aston. It's nice to be here this evening. I  
2           spoke to Mr. Granger, e-mailed earlier, and  
3           really I am here representing a local community

4 group, grass roots community group called  
5 Transition Town Media, which expands into all  
6 of Delaware county. I am on the energy  
7 committee. We are working on a more  
8 sustainable future, more energy resilient  
9 future.

10 We were very fortunate to be able to  
11 partner with Delaware Valley Regional Planning  
12 Commission and the Delaware County Planning  
13 Department and offer a program called Solarized  
14 Greater Media. That program spans out five  
15 miles from Media. It's a program that's  
16 offered to 250 communities throughout the  
17 United States, supported by the Energy  
18 Department. And basically it's a group buy  
19 program for discount solar panels.

20 We have gone out and been able to get a  
21 discount price for that and we are offering  
22 community sessions to give the community  
23 information about solar, why it's beneficial.  
24 The price has gone down a lot in the past 10

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1 years and it's a really great viable energy  
2 source.

3 So we have some community programs. The  
4 next one is in Media and one in Marple and  
5 right here at Our Lady of Angels, Saturday  
6 April 2nd. Just inviting everybody to let you  
7 know, in case you get a run on installations,  
8 that you have to do your zoning and permitting,  
9 more of an FYI. I will leave some of these up

10 here. And if you have any questions you can  
11 reach us on our e-mail us.

12 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Thank you for  
13 bringing that to our attention.

14 A VOICE: Good evening. Joe Hart, 143  
15 Gerald Drive, Aston. I see we picked up a new  
16 piece of ground in Aston that the school  
17 district -- we made a deal. According to the  
18 information on the township cable, it's  
19 17 acres of ground?

20 MR. VISCUSO: Yes.

21 MR. HART: Does that include the north  
22 side woods? How far?

23 MR. VISCUSO: All the way to the back of  
24 --

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1 MR. HART: The properties in the back?

2 MR. VISCUSO: Right.

3 MR. HART: That includes the whole  
4 parking lot and all that good stuff?

5 MR. VISCUSO: Field.

6 MR. HART: We got that for a dollar?  
7 This is going to be a deeded property to Aston  
8 Township. It's not going to be a letter that  
9 Aston Valley put up with from the school  
10 district for a 100 years and then they took it  
11 back?

12 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: That's correct.  
13 We haven't been to settlement yet.

14 MR. HART: That will be a deeded piece of

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15 property?

16 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Yes.

17 MR. HART: That's including the  
18 buildings?

19 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: The buildings,  
20 and a footprint around those today are Aston  
21 Township property, a little bit of the parking  
22 lot, I believe. That whole complex is  
23 currently divided.

24 MR. HART: Okay, with that 17 acres is

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1 that another viable spot for a fire house?

2 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: I don't believe  
3 so. We have not been considering it. It's a  
4 community venue up there.

5 MR. HART: Seventeen acres of ground.

6 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: We have a lot of  
7 interest in here.

8 MR. HART: Okay, thank you.

9 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Mr. Kushto,  
10 welcome back.

11 MR. KUSHTO: Thank you. I guess everyone  
12 got their newsletter from the Sewer Authority.  
13 If not I want to read you a portion of it.

14 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Was that with the  
15 last bill?

16 MR. KUSHTO: Yes. There was a question  
17 presented to the Sewer Authority, wanted to  
18 know why their sewer bill was so much higher  
19 than that of a home in another township. I am  
20 the troublemaker that asked that question. And

21 I was comparing it to Chichester, which is in  
22 the -- not the Delaware County Authority. And  
23 the answers they gave me, I want to read just a  
24 couple of them. You can't compare other sewer

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1 bills. One of the differences would be the  
2 difference in lifestyles and the amount of  
3 water that's used, like the public's laundry  
4 and showers and so forth.

5 That might be a true statement but doesn't  
6 pertain to what I am doing here. My bill is  
7 not based on the water bill. I have a well.  
8 So the Commonwealth come up with a figure  
9 that's supposed to be an average of everybody.  
10 These people I am comparing to are probably an  
11 average.

12 They also said that DELCORA charged  
13 different rates. And I talked to the people  
14 down at DELCORA, three different people. They  
15 all told me they charge the same rate to every  
16 municipality for the same services. I don't  
17 know if they offer other services. I can't  
18 find that out. That didn't kind of fit in  
19 there either.

20 They also said they couldn't make that  
21 comparison because the Sewer Authority in  
22 Chichester might be subsidized by the township,  
23 maybe the township taxes pay for the  
24 maintenance and stuff. Well, it doesn't. I

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1 talked to them. The sewer bill pays for  
2 everything we are paying for. So I am not  
3 getting an answer to why our bills are so much  
4 higher.

5 I talked to Mr. Osborn and he told me that  
6 there is a savings that occurred to us because  
7 they got out of the deal with Middletown. I  
8 didn't get a dollar figure on that. I have to  
9 assume it's quite a bit or why go through all  
10 that trouble.

11 I can tell by looking at the budgets for  
12 the last couple of years we are saving almost  
13 two and a half million dollars on wages and  
14 benefits that we are not paying for people to  
15 run this treatment plant and the maintenance,  
16 and also realize certain portions will have to  
17 pay for the people who are going to do the  
18 maintenance.

19 Seems to me if we are not doing better, a  
20 lot better than we were, what was the point of  
21 changing all of this? I do see the bottom line  
22 is a little bit better this year than it has  
23 been in previous years. It just isn't enough  
24 for me. You're going to have to help me

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1 understand this better. There's a big  
2 difference here, from what I can see.

3 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Mr. Osborn?

4 COMMISSIONER OSBORN: We talked about this  
5 before. The answer remains the same. I went

6 back to the Sewer Authority. Over time this is  
7 going to go back down. What we have is  
8 basically three things. We did realize  
9 savings. The front end portion, the reason we  
10 went to DELCORA is we were going to have to  
11 incur more debt. They didn't have a ceiling.  
12 I believe that number, and Nancy's in the back,  
13 was like twenty two million dollars that we  
14 would have to incur if we were going to  
15 continue to treat our own water. So we got out  
16 of that business and went to DELCORA.

17 So even though it's not shown in the bill,  
18 the bills would have gone up because we were  
19 going to have to borrow twenty two million  
20 dollars. The other portion of it is, we are  
21 paying, to the best of my knowledge, DELCORA  
22 charges the same rate for the same services.  
23 What all services we have from the Sewer  
24 Authority I don't know. I will get an answer

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1 on that.

2 The two other things we have, we still  
3 have some existing administrative expenses. We  
4 have people down there, we continue to do our  
5 own bills and do all that stuff, and the third  
6 major portion is the history and the debt  
7 service we currently have.

8 Over time we are paying that down and that  
9 should go away, which should, over time, and I  
10 think I have a number of years in mind but I

11 don't want to say it out loud because I might  
12 be misinformed. They're paying the debt down.

13 MR. KUSHTO: It appears they were paying  
14 close to a million dollars a year towards that  
15 debt, which is nine million dollars. If we  
16 have so much extra money that should come down  
17 even quicker.

18 COMMISSIONER OSBORN: It should go down  
19 quicker. I lost my train of thought, but the  
20 bottom line, it came back, the I&I, we are  
21 working, and that's the other cause of the  
22 bill. We have, at the last meeting that I was  
23 at, we now have accurate figures of the amount  
24 of I&I, which is rain water, drainage water

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1 that is going into our system, over 30 percent.  
2 So we are working on an ordinance right now to  
3 try to alleviate some of that I&I. If it all  
4 went away, which it won't, but if we got that  
5 down, that would, and Nancy, correct me if I am  
6 wrong, but I think the figure is \$186.00 a year  
7 that each household would save if we eliminated  
8 all the I&I. That's drainage going into the  
9 air vents that go from the house to the road --

10 MR. KUSHTO: All due respect, I understand  
11 that. And I'm sure all of the Sewer  
12 Authorities have the same problems with rain  
13 water. Can you get a dollar figure how much we  
14 are saving by being out of the contract that  
15 involved Middletown? That was one of the main  
16 reasons all this supposedly took place.

17           COMMISSIONER OSBORN: Don't know the  
18           answer. We were subsidizing them. We are no  
19           longer subsidizing them, so I don't know the  
20           answer to that. I will try to get it for you.  
21           I don't know if it's out there. That was  
22           nineteen -- Jimmy, you may know the answer to  
23           that, 1970 some contract we entered into, and  
24           it would have gone three more years. We got

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1           out of it early by going to DELCORA. I'll get  
2           back to you. What you ought to do is come down  
3           to the Sewer Authority when you and I are both  
4           there.

5           MR. KUSHTO: The bills are close to  
6           double.

7           COMMISSIONER OSBORN: Of what, Chichester?

8           MR. KUSHTO: Yes.

9           COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Part of that goes to  
10          Delaware, not all to DELCORA. Part of  
11          Chichester goes to the sewer plants in  
12          Delaware, in the state of Delaware.

13          COMMISSIONER OSBORN: They're separate  
14          billing.

15          VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Not everyone has  
16          the same debt, so it isn't relative.

17          MR. KUSHTO: I understand that.  
18          Chichester doesn't have a debt. They have got  
19          theirs paid off, they're in better shape. But  
20          compared to where we were several years ago and  
21          where we are now, the rates keep going up. We

22 are not saving a little bit. We got another  
23 increase.

24 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: It's only been a  
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1 year. Give us sometime. Things don't happen  
2 overnight. Someone else like to come up? Mr.  
3 Ford.

4 MR. FORD: I got another question. How  
5 long are you allowed to have your house ripped  
6 apart outside before you put it together? My  
7 neighbor's house has been under construction  
8 for at least 10 years.

9 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Excuse me. He's  
10 doing all the work himself and he stays within  
11 the permits, all the work being performed.

12 MR. FORD: It can go on for 20 years or 30  
13 years?

14 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Yes.

15 MR. FORD: Are you allowed to have 250  
16 gallon oil tanks out back in different areas  
17 that you have fuel in?

18 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Mr. Ford, I said I  
19 am going to go down and look at the situation.

20 MR. FORD: I didn't let you know about the  
21 oil tanks.

22 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: I'll see about it.

23 COMMISSIONER OSBORN: Same place? I  
24 didn't know that.

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1 MR. FORD: It's a mess, dragging

2 everyone's price down.

3 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Commissioner  
4 McGinn will come down. Anybody else have any  
5 questions for this township? Seeing none, move  
6 on. Other business, Commissioner Link.

7 COMMISSIONER LINK: Nothing. I have  
8 nothing.

9 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Commissioner  
10 Firlein.

11 COMMISSIONER FIRLEIN: Thank you. Anyway,  
12 Kate Lannon, congratulations on your  
13 achievements. And again, Lister House is down,  
14 Carol is ecstatic about that. Three more items  
15 on the escrow, 3333 Dutton Mill Road, \$28.46,  
16 2939 Mill Road, \$25.84 and 745 Goodale Drive,  
17 \$25.84, in the form of a motion.

18 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Second.

19 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Motion and  
20 second. Any comments or questions? All in  
21 favor signify by saying "aye". Opposed? The  
22 "ayes" have it.

23 (Whereupon, all Commissioners  
24 present vote "aye.")

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1 COMMISSIONER FIRLEIN: Thank you.

2 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Commissioner  
3 Osborn.

4 COMMISSIONER OSBORN: Quickly I would like  
5 to take a moment to thank both the Aston Fire  
6 Department and the Aston Police Department and

7 all the other fire companies that responded to  
8 the house fire on 25 Jennifer Lane the other  
9 night. Everybody did a great job. It was a  
10 tragedy for the family. But everything was  
11 very well professional, very well done. I  
12 would like to congratulate all involved. Thank  
13 you.

14 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Thank you.  
15 Commissioner Graham.

16 COMMISSIONER GRAHAM: Thank you  
17 Commissioner. I wanted to congratulate Kate  
18 also and Stephen, I just like to thank you and  
19 the trustees and Friends for all you do for the  
20 library. I don't think people realize but you  
21 do a great job and thank you very much.

22 I wanted to also mention about the Second  
23 Ward Easter egg hunt, which will be held on  
24 Sunday, March 20, at the Aston Vo-Tech field,

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1 2:00 and the rain date is Saturday, March 26 at  
2 2:00 p.m. And I think that's all I have.

3 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Thank you.  
4 Commissioner McGinn.

5 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: I have nothing.

6 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Thank you. Mr.  
7 Granger?

8 MR. GRANGER: Nothing.

9 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Ms.  
10 Naughton-Beck.

11 MS. NAUGHTON-BECK: Nothing.

12 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Mr. Viscuso, I

13 know you have some things you'd like to say.

14 MR. VISCUSO: I have to give an update for  
15 the year three MS4. Read this into the record.  
16 Township's MS-4 permit was renewed on May 2nd,  
17 2013. Year three of the permit ends on May  
18 1st, 2016. The permit, the current permit,  
19 expires on April 30th, 2018.

20 Some of the things that the township has  
21 done, partnered with the Chester Ridley Crum  
22 Watershed, CRC Association, to educate various  
23 audiences in the township about responsible  
24 storm water management.

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1 Storm water information is also available  
2 on the township website. All storm water  
3 outfalls in the township are required to be  
4 screened once before the permit expires.  
5 Upcoming public participation opportunities,  
6 CRC annual spring stream clean up occurs on  
7 April 30th. CRC spring meeting occurs on April  
8 10th. CRC, Penn State lecture, Backyard  
9 solutions for Healthy Streams, will be  
10 presented by Maggie Dunn from the Philadelphia  
11 Water Department. That is -- the target  
12 audience for that is homeowners on February 28,  
13 and if you want more details on that I'm sure  
14 it's on the CRC website. Thank you.

15 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Thank you, Mr.  
16 viscuso. I have a little bit to say.  
17 Congratulations to Kate Lannon also for

18 thousand points. Also, as you probably know,  
19 we received a grant for around a million  
20 dollars from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
21 for streetscaping on Pennell Road. Between now  
22 and Labor Day you should start to see some  
23 changes in the look of Pennell Road.

24 The new traffic signals should start in

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1 about a month or so, the streetlights sometime  
2 around May, decorative street lights, and the  
3 rest of the work during the summer, hopefully  
4 done by Labor Day. So you should look forward  
5 to seeing the changes on Pennell Road in the  
6 business district. Since we're done here,  
7 motion to adjourn.

8 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: So move.

9 COMMISSIONER LINK: Second.

10 VICE-PRESIDENT HIGGINS: Thank you  
11 everybody.

12 (Whereupon, the meeting is  
13 concluded at 8:00 p.m.)

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