



Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes  
Monday, July 25, 2016, 7:30 P.M.

**Attendees:** Supervisors – Ricki Stumpo, Elaine DiMonte; Mark Knightly, Director Public Works.

**Absent:** Alice J. Balsama, Supervisor.

**Public in attendance:** 8

1. **Call to Order:** Stumpo called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. **Sunshine Announcement:** Board met on July 21<sup>st</sup> regarding a personnel matter.
3. **Announcements:** Stumpo announced that the Emergency Services Task Force is in receipt of the consultant's multi-municipal/boro study regarding fire and ambulance services. The Task Force will meet in August to begin the analysis of the data and the proposal to replace the current funding system and governance system.
4. **Public Comment Non-Agenda Items:** Brad Peiper, Township Representative to the Kennett Library Board, commented that the letter outlining the VPP "visioning" grant must be signed-off by the Township by August 1<sup>st</sup>. Stumpo noted that the letter is subject of Correspondence on the agenda. Peiper also commented that the Library approved a new name and logo and that a recent fundraising raffle for the Library Adult Literacy Program netted \$650 with the winning ticket purchased by a graduate of the Program who chose to donate the gift basket prize back to the Library.
5. **Founders Day Committee Event Update:** MOTION: DiMonte moved, Stumpo seconded, to approve the text of the postcard mailer as reviewed and edited; motion carried. Board will list approval of the budget for the August 15<sup>th</sup> public meeting.
6. **Public Works Report:** Knightly reported that road shoulder stabilization work continues throughout the Township. The Wayne Drive pipe replacement project is complete and the road surface will be prepared for paving.
7. **Barnard House:** Randy Mims provided written comments regarding the reported dialogue during the July 11<sup>th</sup> public meeting concerning the Kennett Underground Railroad Center (KURC) lease of space in the Barnard House. The substance of the comments include, but are not limited to, recognizing and thanking the Board for their work to improve the environment of public meetings, preservation of the Barnard House, and the onerous list of restrictions on use of the property as outlined in recorded documents and the effect such restrictions have on the Township and the residents. Mims noted conflicts of interest existing in the make-up of the Barnard House Steering Committee tasked early on by the previous Board to oversee a path forward for the Barnard House. He proposed four recommendations that included replacing the current lease with KURC, create a new, equitable lease, appoint residents to a commission tasked with objectively providing a path forward, and initiate discussions with all agencies for a potential sale of the Barnard House to KURC. He made the suggestion that KURC would have the qualifications necessary to allow them greater opportunities to apply for foundation and grant money than that of a municipality. Sean Rafferty supported Mims' statements and asked the Board how

payments were received from KURC for their leased space which was constructed during the Park Grant Project. John O'Neal, KURC Board President and Treasurer, indicated that KURC has the funds for the Township as referenced in the lease and that KURC made direct payments to outfit the leased space. Board will review the Park Grant Project finances with the Treasurer. Stumpo noted that the lease was vetted by legal counsel for both sides and that she had negotiated for a 5-year term rather than the 15-year term originally proposed. She acknowledged that the lease lacks reference to a timeline for completion. Sarah Mims commented that the current signed lease lacks certain protections for both parties with regard to liability and other legal components. She stated that redoing the lease would be an opportunity to include significant missing contract terms. DiMonte acknowledged receipt of a letter dated July 22, 2016 from KURC outlining concerns raised by KURC. She noted that the Board received the letter on Friday, July 22<sup>nd</sup> which did not allow adequate time for a response. DiMonte asked and Knightly answered that installation of the security system began today and should be completed by the end of the month.

8. **Zoning/Code Official Report:** no report submitted.
9. **Planning Commission (PC) Report:** no report submitted.
10. **Old Business:**
  - a. Cabin Club Wall Reconstruction – Township Engineer noted receipt of DEP/GP-11 permit for the reconstruction of an in-kind replacement of an existing wall for the Cabin Club Association. No issues have been found with the proposed wall reconstruction pending the submission of wall plans by the consultant for Cabin Club Association. No action required by the Board at this time.
  - b. Emergency Management Coordinator Nomination – Stumpo noted that Jim Knightly and Kevin Gosselin have expressed interest in the nomination. The Board agreed to interview both candidates prior to the next public meeting on August 15<sup>th</sup>.
11. **New Business:**
  - a. Marshalton Triathlon Contract for use of Bragg Hill Road/Trail: MOTION: DiMonte moved, Stumpo seconded, to approve and sign the Special Event Form and Hold Harmless Agreement with West Bradford Fire Company for the October 2, 2016 Marshalton Triathlon; motion carried. Public Works Department will provide access to the trail the day of the Triathlon.
12. **Correspondence:** Board approved signing the contract signature sheets for the Kennett Area Community Facility Vision Partnership Program as requested by Kennett Township for the multi-facility study that includes the Kennett Library.
13. **Treasurer's Warrants:** DiMonte moved, Stumpo seconded, to approve the Bill Payment Lists for July 12-25, 2016 recommended for payment by the Treasurer; General Fund: 23 bills paid totaling \$255,487.20; 1 debit card charge for \$8.47; Highway Aid: 2 bills paid totaling \$5,649.34; Facilities: 1 bill paid for \$2,000.00; motion approved.
14. **Approval of Meeting Minutes:** DiMonte moved, Stumpo seconded, to approve the Minutes of July 11, 2016 as reviewed and amended; motion approved.
15. **Adjournment:** 8:05 P.M. DiMonte moved, Stumpo seconded, to adjourn the meeting; motion approved.

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Susan Simone, Administrative Secretary

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Ricki Stumpo, Chairman