

TOWN OF PHILADELPHIA
JULY 13, 2016 – BOARD MEETING

Present: Supervisor: Cheryl Horton, Clerk: Cheryl Reed, Hwy. Supt.: Mike Freeman, Council Members: Sandra Carpenter, Deborah LaMora, Bob Watson Sr., Ron Spicer and Assessor: John Kiechle.

Guests: Rod LaMora Jr. and Jack Jones both representing the Philadelphia Volunteer Fire Department and Mark Leeson, representing the Village of Philadelphia.

At 5:30 P.M. Supervisor called meeting to order, followed by prayer and pledge.

Minutes: Were read prior to the meeting. Bob pointed out that in #2 of the Highway Report, it should be Hagen Road Bridge. Sandra mentioned that in #4 of the Highway Report, the word Bacon was entered twice.

Ron made a motion to accept the minutes with these two corrections. Sandra seconded this motion, all were in favor, motion carried.

Financial Report: for the month of June was read aloud by Supervisor. With there being no questions, board members signed the June Financial Report as their approval of said report.

Supervisor asked board members to chose a date to complete the review of the 2015 Town Supervisor's Books. Thursday, August 4th, 2016 @ 9:00 A.M. is the scheduled time.

Clerk Report:

1. Business is steady as usual. Nothing special to report.

Highway Report:

1. Widening Elm Ridge Road and plan to pave in August.
2. Waiting for Verizon to move poles.
3. Work to be done for IRCS Playground in Theresa.
4. Will be working for Jefferson County in August, helping the Town of Leray blacktop County Routes 29 & 30.

Recycling Report:

1. A Load of cardboard ready to go to Carthage Specialty Paper Co.
2. One load of tin was sent out.
3. Public has been very cooperative regarding the use of clear bags.

CEO Report: for the month of June was given to all present.

Cemetery/Park Report:

1. Replaces two infant swings at park.
2. More wood chips will be spread in the playground area.

Buildings Report:

1. Garage siding is being done by Mike Delles.

Assessor Report:

1. Assessor Brown completed and passed the Assessor Orientation Program.

Other old business:

1. Many towns have chosen to stop using Jefferson County for Dog Control due to the County refusing to enter villages for dog control issues. The village population must register/license their dogs through the Town Offices. Monthly fees are sent from each town to Jefferson County for Dog Control. Many feel if the village residents pay for these services, they should be provided.

Supervisor will speak to Daniel Moyer from Gouverneur who is licensed and operates a dog pound. The Town Board feels it is in the best interest of all residents if Supervisor continues talks with Mr. Moyer.

2. Cafeteria Plan Renewal. **(Please see attached resolution)**

At 6:45 P.M. Supervisor called for a 15 minute recess.

At 7:00 P.M. Privilege of the floor was given to Rod LaMora and Jack Jones. The following issues were discussed:

1. Replacing Fire Department Tanker:
 - a. New truck
 - b. New chassis for old truck-\$104,000 for new chassis-\$2,500 for lighting
 - c. Used chassis for old truck- \$117,000
 - d. Used firetruck

The Light Bar also needs replacing and will cost approximately \$2,500.

A total price of not more than \$120,000 was agreed upon by the Town Board. This amount to be divided, \$60,000-Town share and \$60,000-Village share.

At 7:35 P.M. Supervisor asked if there were any further comments or questions. With there being none, a request was made by Supervisor to recess. Sandra made a motion to accept, this was seconded by Ron. All were in favor, meeting recessed.

*Respectfully submitted,
Cheryl Reed, Town Clerk*

**TOWN OF PHILADELPHIA
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The following resolution was offered by Sandra and seconded by Bob who moved its adoption.

RESOLUTION: 2016-40 TOWN OF PHILADELPHIA CAFETERIA PLAN RENEWAL

WHEREAS: The form of the Cafeteria Plan, as authorized under Section 125 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, presented to this meeting is hereby adopted and approved and that the proper officers of the Employer are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver to the Plan Administrator one or more copies of the Plan and

WHEREAS: the Plan year shall be for a period beginning on July 1, 2016 and ending June 30, 2017 and

WHEREAS: employee shall contribute to the Plan amounts sufficient to meets its obligation under the Cafeteria Plan, in accordance with the terms of the Plan Document and shall notify the Plan Administrator to which periods said contributions shall be applied and

WHEREAS: that the proper officers of the Employer shall act as soon as possible to notify employees of the adoption of the Cafeteria Plan by delivering to each employee a copy of the Summary Plan Description presented to this meeting which form is hereby approved and

WHEREAS: The undersigned certifies that attached hereto as Exhibits A and B respectively are true copies of the Plan Document, and Summary Plan Description for the Town of Philadelphia's Flexible Benefits Plan,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that on this date, July 13, 2016, the Philadelphia Town Board did meet and discuss the implementation of the Town of Philadelphia's Flexible Benefits Plan to be effective July 1, 2016 and let it be known that the above resolution was adopted by the Town Board and has not been modified or rescinded as of the date hereof.

I, the undersigned further certify and attest that the above resolution was adopted via the following roll vote:

Supervisor Horton: aye
Council Members:
Carpenter: aye
LaMora: aye
Watson: aye
Spicer: aye

{ SEAL }

Signature/Title:

Date:

Town of Philadelphia
July 21, 2016 Board Meeting Resumed

Present: Supervisor Horton, Clerk Reed, Town Board Members: Sandra Carpenter, Deborah LaMora, Bob Watson and Ron Spicer.

At 5:20 P.M. Supervisor reconvened the July 13, 2016 Board Meeting and asked for an Executive Session. Clerk Reed was excused.

Executive Session; Summary of final determination:

Motion made by Deborah calling for a Mandatory Referendum Public Hearing to be held on the August 10, 2016 Town Board Meeting, to go to a sole appointed Assessor. Ron seconded this motion.

Supervisor Horton called for a roll vote:

Council Members:	Sandra	aye
	Deborah	aye
	Bob	aye
	Ron	aye
	Supervisor	aye

All in favor motion carried. **(Please see attached resolution)**

At 5:40 P.M. Supervisor called for an adjournment of the Executive Session. All in favor, meeting adjourned.

At this time the regular board meeting was resumed. The following items were discussed:

1. Supervisor spoke with Leray Town Supervisor, Ron Taylor. The Town of Leray has chosen not to renew Dog Contract with Jefferson County. The Town is pursuing the option of signing with licensed Dog Shelter/Pound owner, Daniel Moyer from Gouverneur.
2. Chase Harrington verbal contribution agreement needs to be updated and renewed between the Town and Chase Harrington Board of Officers.

At 5:50 Supervisor asked if there were any further comments or questions. With there being none, Sandra made a motion to adjourn. Deborah seconded this motion. All were in favor, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cheryl Reed Town Clerk

**TOWN OF PHILADELPHIA
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The following resolution was offered by Deborah and seconded by Ron who moved its adoption

RESOLUTION: 2016-39 SOLE APPOINTED ASSESSOR/MANDATORY REFERENDUM

WHEREAS: The Philadelphia Town Board has reached a final determination and has agreed it is in the best interest of the residents to move from 3 (Three) Elected Assessors to a Sole Appointed Assessor and

WHEREAS: Deborah made a motion calling for a Mandatory Referendum Public Hearing to be held at the next Town Board Meeting of August 10, 2016 to discuss this issue and

WHEREAS: Ron seconded this motion moving its adoption,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: the Philadelphia Town Board does wholly agree to a Madatory Referendum calling for the abolishment of 3 (Three) elected Assessors and adoption of a sole appointed assessor.

This resolution was adopted via the following roll vote:

Supervisor Horton:	aye
Council Members:	
Sandra Carpenter:	aye
Deborah LaMora:	aye
Bob Watson:	aye
Ron Spicer:	aye

I hereby certify the above resolution was adopted by the Philadelphia Town Board on July 21,2016.

{ SEAL }

Town Clerk: _____

Date: _____