

UPPER MERION TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE  
APRIL 26, 2018

The Board of Community Assistance of Upper Merion Township met for its regular meeting on Thursday, April 26, 2018 in the Township Building. The meeting was called to order at 5:07 p.m., followed by a pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call:

Present were: Greg Waks, Board of Supervisors Liaison;; Lydia Dan Sardinias, Chairperson; David Karen, Vice Chairperson; Brett Montich, Member; Eric Pearson, VFCR Representative, Dave Kraynik, Township Manager; Sally Slook, Assistant Township Manager and Angela Caramenico, Assistant to the Township Manager. Ira Lubert, VFCR, was absent.

Meeting Minutes:

It was moved by Mr. Karen, seconded by Mr. Montich, all voting "Aye" to approve the April 12, 2018 Meeting Minutes as submitted. None opposed. Motion approved 3-0.

Final Review of Applications:

Review of the BCA applications continued and final recommendations made.

It was moved by Mr. Karen, seconded by Mr. Montich, all voting "Aye" to accept the award recommendations and present to the Board of Supervisors on May 17, 2018. Motion passed 4-0.

Discussion on Applications:

Discussions ensued about the possibility of changing the applications. With regard to the scholarship application, Mr. Montich proposed the following: Do a blind review (not revealing the name of the student) 2) grade the scholarships (service, academics, need) 3) push deadline back to April 1<sup>st</sup>. Mr. Montich offered to prepare an excel spreadsheet outlining same.

Meeting with Valley Forge Presbyterian re: BCA application

Tim Domer was present on behalf of the Church. He stated the proposal is for a food pantry. He explained that the need is rising and social workers are asking for help. Mr. Domer continued that they are working in collaboration with Emergency Aid, as they can't meet the need. He further explained the request is

for a pantry infrastructure (shelving, refrigeration, freezer). This would entail a kitchen remodel with 1/3 committed to food storage for pantry. Mr. Domer advised that the Church also spoke with the school district who will help creating a regular collection. It is his goal to try and get more individuals involved year round.

Upcoming Meeting Scheudle

- a. Joint Meeting with BoS – April 26<sup>th</sup>
- b. Presentation at BoS meeting – May 17<sup>th</sup> – Brett Montich stated he would attend the meeting and do the presentation.
- c. Presentation at Ivy Day – Eric Pearson and Dave Kraynik would handle
- d. Awards Reception (June 5, 2-18) – Mr. Karen noted that he could not attend
- e. Next meeting – September or October, 2018

Adjournment:

It was moved by Mr. Karen, seconded by Ms. Dan-Sardinas, all voting "Aye" to adjourn the meeting. None opposed. Motion passed 4-0. Meeting adjourned.

  
SALLY A. SLOOK  
ACTING TOWNSHIP MANAGER

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Minutes Approved: 10-22-18  
Minutes Entered: