

ECAC Meeting March 14, 2022

Present ECAC Members: Tom McGurk, Hal Ward, Bob Winters, Pete Motel, Sarah Henry

Absent ECAC Member: Alessandra Nicolas, Kristan Burgess

Present Township Staff: Gene Briggs, David Fiorenza

Present BoS Liaison: Erik Unger

Introductions: Erik Unger, ECAC Assigned Supervisor Liaison, David Fiorenza, Easttown Finance Director and ECAC Assigned Staff

Minutes:

Draft minutes from January 10, 2022 approved

Township Space Project -Phase C Township Space Update:

Review: Phase C was approved at BOS meeting 2/22/22. Workshop will be available for supervisors to learn the scope of the project. Initial discussions with family indicated no objections to options currently in play, namely in replacing entire complex with a new build in keeping with the former style of buildings and environmentally optimal as current building is geothermal.

Status:

Looking at completion of Phase C by mid-May and approval at May 9 meeting.

There are merits to keep the existing facility that can provide place, especially for the police. Will need space in interim for entire operation while construction is in process.

Fees Project:

1. Define issues and stakeholders: Every year as part of an annual review, the township will examine the existing fee schedule. Aim is to right-size fees and check to see that fees are adequate to cover costs. Staff will periodically look at fee schedule and update it and suggest revisions to it. Reviews may encompass everything from Open Space to Sidewalk, Curbs and Road widening. Suggestion that we benchmark to other townships in our area, relating to outright costs as well as administrative burden including overhead. David Fiorenza to provide data on fees. Get an estimate of total dollar fees for 2021 and top 10 fees by dollar amount collected in 2021, percentage comprised. What percentage of fees these are covered? The total amount will determine next steps.
2. Project team: Project team established – Hal Ward and Pete Motel. This project may not need a protocol, but requirement will be clearer once the data is compiled. Hal Ward will do initial research.
3. Approach: Compile data, benchmark to neighboring municipalities, also evaluate whether staff/resources allocation level of effort is covered by the fee, talk to board and planning commission, and other stakeholders.

No public attending. No public comments.

Meeting Adjourned