

**WEST HANOVER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
7171 ALLENTOWN BOULEVARD, HARRISBURG, PA 17112
MONDAY, JUNE 21, 2010**

CALL TO ORDER – 7:00 p.m.

Ms. Turns called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Pastor Brian Harrison gave the invocation.

Ms. Turns informed the public that there was an Executive Session held at 6:00pm.

ROLL CALL

Adam Klein, Supervisor
Bill Ostermayer, Supervisor
Chris Scott, Secretary/Treasurer

Jay Megonnell, Vice-Chairman
Linda Turns, Chairman

PUBLIC COMMENT

Melita McCully, 8015 Rabbit Lane- Ms. McCully spoke to the Board on behalf of the Walnut Run Homeowners Association. The Association is concerned regarding the upcoming plan to tar and chip Rabbit Road. They are concerned with possible property and vehicle damage as well as road detours due to the Fairville Lane closure for the entire summer. The Association realizes that Township roads are in need of repair, however they are requesting that the Board postpone the work until funds are available for micro-seal or repaving.

Don Steinmeier, 11 North Fairville Avenue- Mr. Steinmeier brought up the ongoing problem at the intersection of Green Hill Road and Oak Grove Road. He suggested that the Board send a letter to PennDot in the interest of the Township. Ms. England stated that the Township has sent a letter to PennDot requesting a parabolic mirror and that the request was denied. He will contact Representative Marsico and Senator Piccola regarding this issue. He asked for clarification on item number 12 in correspondence regarding “works” bombs. Mr. Megonnell explained that a “works” bomb is draino and tin foil mixed inside a bottle. If anyone sees strange bottles in their yards or mailboxes you should call 911. Mr. Steinmeier also asked for clarification on item number 13 in correspondence regarding cindering of private roads. It was explained that a resident on White Pine Road, which is a private road is requesting the Township to consider being a contractor for hire to cinder Fern Road. The neighborhood would be willing to pay the Township for this service.

PRESENTATIONS, STAFF/BOARD REPORTS: Ms. England brought to the attention of the Board, the memo regarding the private hydrant testing. Ms. England thanked Julie Hoepfer for doing a very good job on this project.

PUBLIC HEARING/MEETINGS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular meeting – June 7, 2010- *Mr. Megonnell moved, seconded by Mr. Ostermayer to approve the regular meeting minutes of June 7, 2010. Motion passed unanimously.*

Workshop Meeting – June 14, 2010- *Mr. Megonnell moved, seconded by Mr. Ostermayer to approve the workshop minutes of June 14, 2010. Motion passed unanimously.*

TREASURER’S REPORT

Mr. Scott reported the following fund balances:

- A. Fund Balances (Fund balances are presented for reference only.)
 - General Fund Balance as of June 18, 2010 \$955,386.99
 - Total Liquid Fuels Balance as of June 18, 2010 \$434,841.13
 - Total Capital Reserve Fund Balance as of June 18, 2010 \$1,073,462.14

- B. Deposit Activity since June 7, 2010 \$323,251.67

Mr. Scott reported the gross payroll of June 18, 2010, totaled \$31,938.69. *Mr. Ostermayer moved, seconded by Mr. Megonnell to approve the payroll of June 18, 2010 in the amount of \$31,938.69. Motion passed unanimously.* Mr. Scott reported the vouchers prepaid to meet due dates was \$0.00. Mr. Scott reported the total for the vouchers to be approved was \$105,398.54. *Mr. Ostermayer moved, seconded by Mr. Klein to approve the vouchers in the amount of \$105,398.54. Motion passed unanimously.*

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORTS AND PLANS: None

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2010-41, Disposition of Records

Mr. Klein moved, seconded by Mr. Ostermayer to approve Resolution 2010-41, Disposition of Records. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion – Septic Pumping Extension- Two septic pumping extensions were presented to the Board. In accordance with Ordinance section 158-9.C, the Board may authorize an extension of up to two years to the pump out period.

Mr. Ostermayer moved, seconded by Mr. Megonnell to approve the request for a pumping extension for the property at 44 N. Hershey Rd. to December 2, 2011 and for the property at 7900 Green Hill Rd to July 13, 2011. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion – Accept Resignation, Compost Center Attendant

Mr. Megonnell moved, seconded by Mr. Ostermayer to accept the resignation of Joe Marks as Compost Center attendant. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion – Consent to Hire, Compost Center Attendant- Mr. Harman, Roadmaster, received six applications for the part time compost center attendant and interviewed four applicants.

Mr. Megonnell moved, seconded by Mr. Scott to approve the employment of Daniel Fister as part-time Compost Center attendant at a salary of \$9.00 per hour. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion – Waive Permit Fees, Fire Station 2 Expansion- The West Hanover Fire Company is expanding Station 2 at 554 S. Hershey Road to accommodate the new Fire Engine. The expansion is for an addition of 30 feet to house the mechanical area, restroom, and crew/administrative area. Township permit fees would be \$1,000.00. The Fire Company is requesting a waiver of the permit fees of which the Township has control. Neither the Zoning Officer nor the Codes Officer has objections to waiving the fees.

Mr. Klein moved, seconded by Mr. Megonnell to approve the request for waiving the Township permit fees in the amount of \$1,000 for the Fire Company Station 2 Addition project. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion – 2010 Municipal Local Share Gaming Grant Applications – Ms. England outlined the grant process and reviewed the grants that the Township has received in the past few years. She stated that by the end of July the Township should have accurate cost estimates for the new fire station. The building could cost around 3 million dollars. The Board will need to decide on how to finance the construction of the fire station. Various options have been discussed which include: a building assessment tax, utilizing money from the Building fund, and continuing to apply for grants to pay down the debt. There was general discussion among the Board regarding the fire station project.

Mr. Megonnell moved, seconded by Mr. Scott to use \$300,000.00 from the Building Fund for the Fire Station project. Motion passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Item #8 FROM: Larry Hartman RE: Capital Tax Bureau meeting - Ms. Turns requested a Board member to attend the July 15th meeting which Larry Hartman can't attend. Mr. Klein will attend the meeting on behalf of the Township.

Item #7 FROM: Scott Bowman, HRG RE: H2O Application Program Update – Ms. England brought up to the Board that the Application Update Form was submitted which will allow the Township to still be in the running for the H2O grant. If any money is received it would be used to pay for the \$240,000.00 culvert project.

Ms. England also showed the Board the annual MS4 report that was sent the DEP and EPA to satisfy the Administrative Order and Information Request.

Item #11 FROM: Elizabeth England, Township Manager RE: RFP-Semi-Annual Roof Maintenance- Ms. Turns asked Ms. England if she had received any responses from the roofing contractors. Ms. England has not received any proposals as to date. The deadline to reply is June 30, 2010 at 12 noon.

Item #12 FROM: Email from VFW RE: “Works” Bombs – Mr. Megonnell asked for suggestions on how we get this information to the residents regarding the “works” bombs. It was decided that Mr. Megonnell will contact the Paxton Herald and the Patriot News with the information.

Item #13 FROM: Janel Cirillo RE: Cindering of Private Roads- Ms. England asked for clarification from the Board regarding a reply to Ms. Cirillo's request. There was discussion among the Board and Solicitor regarding the request .It was decided that Ms. England will write a letter explaining that the Township can't do the cindering but will suggest that the neighbors get together and hire a private contractor.

OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY COME BEFORE THE BOARD: Mr. Scott thanked the previous Board of Supervisors which included Ms. Turns and Mr. Klein for voting to notify residents by certified letter regarding public hearings regarding rezoning issues that may affect them.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Don Steinmeier, 11 North Fairville Avenue- Mr. Steinmeier brought up the financing of the fire station. He discussed the Fireman's Relief Fund and the Fire Tax Fund. He asked what the Fire Company will do to help pay their fair share. He mentioned that in the 1980's the Board offered to impose a special tax assessment to homeowners for road improvements. Mr. Megonnell suggested that Ms. England include the option of a special tax assessment for road improvements in the reply to Ms. Cirillo.

Richard McNeal, 631 Walnut Avenue – Mr. McNeal brought up the point that years ago no one wanted to give up their roads. He stated that he spoke to some of the Board members months ago and that they said the fire station would never cost 3 million dollars. Be brought up the issue of taxing the residents. He suggested putting a building assessment tax on the November election, so everyone can vote.

SUPERVISORS COMMENTS:

Mr. Megonnell asked Ms. England to sign him up for the Conservation Partners Workshop at Fort Indiantown Gap on June 29th.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:45 pm

Mr. Klein moved, seconded by Mr. Megonnell to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.