

**WEST HANOVER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
7171 ALLENTOWN BOULEVARD, HARRISBURG, PA 17112  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2011**

**CALL TO ORDER – 7:00 p.m.**

Mr. Klein called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the invocation. Mr. Klein informed the audience that there was an Executive Session held this evening to discuss personnel issues.

**ROLL CALL**

Adam Klein, Chairman  
Bill Ostermayer, Supervisor-Absent  
Chris Scott, Supervisor

Jay Megonnell, Vice-Chairman  
Linda Turns, Secretary/Treasurer

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Mr. Klein briefly reviewed the correspondence items and informed the public that all correspondence is available for review. The following item was brought up for discussion.

**FROM: Dauphin County RE: Solar Project in Middle Paxton and West Hanover Townships-** Mr. Klein and Mr. Megonnell will attend. Ms. England informed the Board that Dauphin County is requesting fire police assistance for the event.

*Mr. Megonnell moved, seconded by Ms. Turns to adopt Resolution 2011-60, Fire Police Event Authorization. Motion passed unanimously.*

**FROM: Derry Township Municipal Authority RE: Kessler/Groff Subdivision South and West Hanover Townships-**This letter is a request for a potential agreement between Derry Township Municipal Authority and South and West Hanover Townships for a minor subdivision plan. Solicitor Yost stated the developer should bear the burden of the project.

*Ms. Turns moved, seconded by Mr. Megonnell a motion to explore the potential agreement between Derry Township Municipal Authority and West Hanover Township. Motion passed unanimously.*

**FROM: LTD Consultants, LTD RE: East Hanover Twp. Comprehensive Plan Draft-**Ms. England stated that the plan is in the Township office and available for review until October 24<sup>th</sup>. Solicitor Yost suggested that Mr. Leonard, zoning officer review that plan.

**FROM: Connie Billett TO: Mr. Klein, Mr. Megonnell, Mr. Scott RE: Rejection of expansion of Keystone Correctional Services-** Ms. Turns stated she voted against rejecting the curative amendment for Keystone Correctional services based on zoning 195.103u and 195.103v.

**STAFF REPORTS: TROPICAL STORM LEE-** Mr. McCahan, Emergency Management Coordinator, briefly reviewed the actions of the EMA and the fire company through the storm. The EMA was in constant contact with Dauphin County EMA updating them on the flooding and road closures within the Township. He explained that the shelter in place action was for safety of the Central Dauphin school students. The fire company responded to rescue requests due to flash flooding, assisting with road closures, and pumping of resident's basements. They also spent time assisting Derry Township, South Hanover Township and Union Deposit with flooding issues and structural assessment. Mr. McCahan thanked Ms. England and the staff for the coordination of resident's requests for help with pumping of their basements.

Ms. England stated that the main damage in the Township was to culverts and roads. Ms. England informed the Board that numerous residents have requested that the Township assist with damaged furniture and flood debris disposal. She has contacted Waste Management to arrange use of the dumpsters at the compost center for flood debris. She suggests that the compost center be open from Monday to Saturday until September 30<sup>th</sup> for residents to drop off flood damaged items at no cost to the residents. Costs to the Township for the proposed project would include: charges to empty the dumpsters, cost per tonnage, and staff overtime. These charges would be presented as part of the emergency disaster reimbursement if the federal government issues a disaster declaration for public assistance. Ms. England stated that residents would be informed via Township website, a press release to the Patriot News, and by notification to local homeowners associations. There was general discussion regarding the proposal.

*Ms. Turns moved, seconded by Mr. Klein to approve opening the compost center from September 20<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> and September 26<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> for residents to dispose of flood damaged items at no cost to the residents. Motion passed unanimously.*

Mr. Brulo provided rainfall data to the Board regarding the storms that occurred in the last six weeks. He reviewed the stream conditions as a result of the most recent rain and flooding. Normally the Township receives 28" of rainfall per year; currently the Township has received 57" of rainfall. Mr. Brulo and Mr. Harman reviewed all roads within the Township and cataloged the work that needs to be done. Ms. England has forwarded the spreadsheet with necessary road repairs to PEMA for review. Cross culverts have received the most damage as a result of the storm. Mr. Scott asked for an update on detention ponds within the Township, Mr. Brulo stated that he has not inspected them yet. Staff and Mr. Brulo will work together to finalize what projects can be done by Public Works and which jobs will need to be completed by outside contractors.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Dale Reigel, 176 Florence Drive- Mr. Reigel thinks the Township and EMA did an excellent job during the storm. He thanked everyone for their hard work.

Beth Carricato, 699 Knight Road- Mrs. Carricato thanked Public Works for all of their work during the storm.

Mark Chiles, 228 Brookridge Court- Mr. Chiles said he will hold his comments until new business when the Townes at Hershey Roads are discussed.

**PUBLIC HEARING/MEETINGS: None**

## PRESENTATIONS, STAFF/BOARD REPORTS

Park & Recreation – Mrs. Fesig provided a brief overview to the Board for the following programs:

- Movie Program- Attendance averaged between 150-200 residents per movie. Mrs. Fesig thanked the volunteers who ran the program, the fire police and Bob Stammel’s park security group. She also thanked the program sponsor, Skyline View Plaza.
- Summer Recreation Program- The program was success and there were no problems with the park being open to the residents during the program.
- Community Festival- The festival was well attended considering the storm the week before. Mrs. Fesig thanked all the volunteers.

Upcoming Events include: 55+ Club, Community Dinners, Indoor Yard Sale, CPR & First Aid Training, Pumpkin carving, and Car/Bike show and Craft fair.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular meeting – September 6, 2011- *Ms. Turns moved, seconded by Mr. Megonnell to approve the regular meeting minutes of September 6, 2011. Motion passed unanimously.*

Workshop meeting-September 12, 2011 *Ms. Turns moved, seconded by Mr. Megonnell to approve the workshop meeting minutes of September 12, 2011. Motion passed unanimously.*

## TREASURER’S REPORT

Ms. Turns reported the following fund balances:

A. Fund Balances (Fund balances are presented for reference only.)

General Fund Balance as of September 16, 2011	\$1,076,384.85
Total Liquid Fuels Balance as of September 16, 2011	\$445,261.14
Total Capital Reserve Fund Balance as of September 16, 2011	\$1,896,259.16
B. Deposit Activity since September 1, 2011	\$18,513.11

Ms. Turns reported the gross payroll of September 9, 2011, totaled \$30,030.62. *Mr. Megonnell moved, seconded by Mr. Scott to approve the payroll of September 9, 2011 in the amount of \$30,030.62. Motion passed unanimously.* Ms. Turns reported the vouchers prepaid to meet due dates was \$161.41. *Mr. Megonnell moved, seconded by Mr. Scott to approve the vouchers prepaid to meet due dates in the amount of \$161.41. Motion passed unanimously.* Ms. Turns reported the total for the vouchers to be approved is \$75,423.23. *Mr. Megonnell moved, seconded by Mr. Scott to approve the vouchers in the amount of \$75,423.23. Motion passed unanimously.*

## **PLANNING COMMISSION REPORTS AND PLANS:**

Phasing schedule update, Brookview

*Ms. Turns moved, seconded by Mr. Megonnell to accept the revised phasing schedule updated September 8, 2011 for the Brookview Development. Motion passed unanimously.*

Time Extension, Townes @ Briar Creek-Ms. Turns suggested that the Ordinance should be changed for future land development plans. Solicitor Yost suggested that the Board could approve for one year, with no assumption for future years. The Board requested that Bob Leonard to research ordinance passed since September 2006 to determine what new ordinances the plan does not meet..

*Mr. Scott moved, seconded by Ms. Turns to table the time extension for Townes @ Briar Creek. Motion passed unanimously.*

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

Resolution 2011-57, Appointment of Planning Commission Member- The September meeting of the Planning Commission was cancelled. There are no candidates at this time for the vacancy.

*Ms. Turns moved, seconded by Mr. Megonnell to table Resolution 2011-57, Appointment of Planning Commission Member. Motion passed unanimously.*

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Motion – Consent Items: Section 607. (4)- None

Motion - Townes @ Hershey Rd. Maintenance Guarantee Extension- Staff and the Township Engineer have met several times with Lee Bothell of Classic Communities regarding deficiencies of the public improvements in Townes @ Hershey Road, Phase 1. On October 18, 2010, the Board extended the original 18 month Maintenance Guarantee period to September 30, 2011, for remedial work. A final inspection was conducted on August 23, 2011, which resulted in a punch list of items to be completed. The Township Engineer is recommending 2 further extensions of the Maintenance Guarantee financial security and time requirements. In order to complete the repairs detailed on the punch list and to allow growing season time for the grass areas. There was discussion if the punch list items can be completed by November 30<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Chiles asked if the September 16<sup>th</sup> deadline had been met by the developer, Mr. Brulo confirmed that it had not been met as of today. He also asked if trees were part of the of the \$5,000 maintenance guarantee. Mr. Brulo confirmed that is would cover some trees.

*Ms. Turns moved, seconded by Mr. Megonnell to authorize the extension of the Maintenance Guarantee time period to November 30, 2011, with security in the amount of \$52,493.25 for the punch list items and further to extend the Maintenance Guarantee time period to September 30, 2012, with security in the amount of \$5,000 for the grass work and swale and drainage work behind 222-234 Brookridge Court. Motion passed unanimously.*

Motion – Fire Sirens -The fire station sirens are automatically triggered when the County dispatches the Fire Company. The fire call sirens can be discontinued with a change in programming at the County. The PSAB reviewed the current notification system which relies on pagers for firefighters and determined that the sirens were not useful and a detriment to local homeowners. The PSAB does recommend, however, that the sirens remain in place and continue to be tested on Saturdays at noon. The sirens would be used for notification of Township-wide disasters and emergencies and should be publicized to the residents in the newsletter.

*Ms. Turns moved, seconded by Mr. Scott to have a letter sent to the Dauphin County Emergency Management Agency requesting discontinuing use of the sirens for fire calls. Motion passed 3-1 with Mr. Megonnell voting nay.*

Motion - Award Bid for Construction of Stofko/Getty Drainage- There was general discussion regarding the project as well as how storm water run off will be affected. The Board also discussed the scope of work for the construction observation provided by Mr. Brulo.

*Ms. Turns moved, seconded by Mr. Scott to award Bid 2011-06, Stofko/Getty drainage project, to the low bidder, Flyway Excavating Inc., in the amount of \$92,147.00 to be paid from the Capital Reserve Fund. Motion passed unanimously.*

*Ms. Turns moved, seconded by Mr. Megonnell to approve the scope of work for the construction observation for the Stofko/Getty drainage project in the amount of \$5,000 to be paid from the Capital Reserve Fund. Motion passed unanimously.*

Resolution 2011-59, Tropical Storm Lee, Designation of Agent, PEMA DAP-2- PEMA has requested that FEMA make a disaster declaration for 12 counties in Pennsylvania as a result of the flooding associated with Tropical Storm Lee. In anticipation of a Federal declaration PEMA is requesting that we begin completing the required forms which include the DAP-1 and DAP-2.

*Mr. Megonnell moved, seconded by Ms. Turns to adopt Resolution 2011-59, Designation of Agent for Tropical Storm Lee. Motion passed unanimously.*

Report – Tropical Storm Lee infrastructure damage- Mr. Brulo reviewed the report that outlines the 20 damage areas within the Township that require repairs. He reviewed what work can be completed by the Public Works department and what jobs should be completed by contractors. There was general discussion regarding costs and possible loss of infrastructure.

*Mr. Scott moved, seconded by Ms. Turns for the staff to work with the Township engineer to refine the list of damages, prioritize the repairs, and solicit quotes from contractors for needed repairs. The Township engineer will review the results of his work at the October 3<sup>rd</sup> workshop. Motion passed unanimously.*

**OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY COME BEFORE THE BOARD:** Solicitor Yost brought up the extension of the disaster emergency. Ms. England explained that the Dauphin County EMA suggested that Townships should not rescind the declaration of the disaster emergency that was put in place for Tropical Storm Lee. They suggested that it should be amended weekly.

*Ms. Turns moved, seconded by Mr. Megonnell to rescind the declaration of the disaster emergency. Motion passed unanimously.*

*Ms. Turns moved, seconded by Mr. Megonnell to extend the declaration of the disaster emergency to October 3rd. Motion passed unanimously.*

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Mark Chiles, 228 Brookridge Court- Mr. Chiles suggested that the rainfall information that Mr. Brulo presented this evening be place in the Township newsletter.

Beth Carricato, 699 Knight Road- Mrs. Carricato asked what is the next step since the Board rejected the curative amendment for Keystone Corrections Services, Inc. Solicitor Yost stated if they chose to file an appeal they would do so in the Dauphin County Court of Common Pleas.

**SUPERVISORS COMMENTS:**

Ms. Turns handed Mr. Klein a letter. Mr. Klein read the letter which was from Supervisor Bill Ostermayer. Mr. Ostermayer will resign from his position effective September 30, 2011.

*Mr. Scott moved, seconded by Mr. Megonnell to accept Bill Ostermayer's resignation from the Board of Supervisors effective September 30, 2011. Motion passed unanimously.*

Solicitor Yost stated that the Board has thirty days from September 30, 2011 to make an appointment to fill Mr. Ostermayer's seat.

**ADJOURNMENT: 8:30 pm**