

**WEST HANOVER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
7171 ALLENTOWN BOULEVARD, HARRISBURG, PA 17112
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2012**

CALL TO ORDER – 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Klein called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM followed the Pledge of Allegiance and the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Harold Harman, Supervisor
Jay Megonnell, Vice Chairman
Gloria Zimmerman, Supervisor

Adam Klein, Chairman
Don Steinmeier, Secretary-Treasurer

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular meeting – September 4, 2012- *Ms. Zimmerman moved, seconded by Mr. Megonnell to approve the meeting minutes of September 4, 2012. Motion passed unanimously.*

Workshop meeting – September 10, 2012- *Ms. Zimmerman asked that the workshop minutes reflect that Chief Shatto was present and provided vital information. Ms. Zimmerman moved, seconded by Mr. Steinmeier to approve the workshop meeting minutes of September 10, 2012. Motion passed 4-0-1, with Mr. Megonnell abstaining.*

CORRESPONDENCE

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

FROM: DEP RE: Land Application of Biosolids, Smink Farm – Mr. Megonnell noted he was told by the EAC that Merrill Brothers would not be returning to the Township. Mr. Rosario, Zoning Administrator, reported that he received confirmation from DEP that the project was complete. However smells may linger for awhile until it is absorbed into the soil. A representative from Merrill Brothers stated they won't work in our Township again, due to the large number of complaints.

FROM: Carole Gochenaur RE: Drainage Issue Picketown Road –Mr. Harman will investigate and contact Ms. Gochenaur.

FROM: Barbara Little RE: Drainage Issue Manor Drive & Clover Lane –Mr. Harman noted he will also take a look at this area and get in touch with Ms. Little.

FROM: Nora Beyers RE: Devonshire Heights Runoff – Mr. Harman reported that this stretch of road needs to be widened out. It is on the list for some drainage work next year – then some widening. Mr. Harman also agreed to contact Ms. Beyers.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Roger Davidson, 7670 Forney Way – Mr. Davidson explained that he is the gentleman that instigated the need for stop signs at Village, Forney and Hanoverday Way. Mr. Davidson read a brief email

from a neighbor who had a near miss at the intersection and noted many of the individuals in the audience came out to support the decision to install the stop signs. Mr. Davidson thanked the Board of Supervisors, HRG and Mike Brubaker, engineer, for conducting the study.

Mr. Steinmeier noted that the intersection of Jonestown Road and Manor Drive is another dangerous area due to lack of sight distance. It is heavily traveled and although a traffic study done on that intersection did not warrant stop signs, the Township should get Ron Marsico involved.

Ms. Zimmerman noted the reports from the State Police and expressed concern about all the break ins. Mr. Steinmeier reported a former supervisor was scammed just in the past few days and reminded seniors to be alert and keep things locked up. Mr. Steinmeier also suggested that if you are going to be away, be sure to stop newspaper delivery, as newspapers lying for days in a driveway are an advertisement you are not home.

PUBLIC HEARING/MEETINGS: None

PRESENTATIONS, STAFF/BOARD REPORTS:

Parks & Recreation Report – Dixie Fesig – Ms. Fesig reported on the following projects:

Summer Rec – 68 kids participated Expenses: \$9,355.42 Income: \$8,623.90

Movie Program – Ms. Fesig thanked sponsors Bahrets Interiors and Hoffman Ford.
Expenses: \$1,658.36 Income: \$2,062.62.

Township Festival – Ms. Fesig thanked all who volunteered in any way and noted there were 58 sponsors. Financially this was the most successful festival to date.
Expenses: \$9,857.14 Income: \$8,881.75

Upcoming Events:	9/24/12	Chicken Pot Pie
	10/6/12	Indoor Yard Sale
	10/23/12	Pumpkin Carving

Ms. Zimmerman thanked Ms. Fesig for asking her to volunteer at the playground program on the two hottest days of the year. Mr. Klein thanked Ms. Fesig for a job well done and for all her hard work on these events.

TREASURER’S REPORT

Mr. Steinmeier reported the following fund balances:

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

General Fund Balance as of September 14, 2012	\$916,546.64
Total Liquid Fuels Balance as of September 14, 2012	\$591,214.30
Total Capital Reserve Fund Balance as of September 14, 2012	\$2,361,892.26

B. Deposit Activity since September 4, 2012 \$13,795.08

Mr. Steinmeier reported the gross payroll of September 7, 2012 totaled \$27,675.92. *Mr. Megonnell moved, seconded by Ms. Zimmerman to approve the payroll of September 7, 2012 in the amount of \$27,675.92. Mr. Harman abstained, motion passed 4-0-1.*

Mr. Steinmeier reported the vouchers prepaid to meet due dates was \$3,006.30. *Ms. Zimmerman moved, seconded by Mr. Megonnell approve the vouchers prepaid to meet due dates in the amount of \$3,006.30. Motion passed unanimously.*

Mr. Steinmeier reported the total for the vouchers to be approved is \$75,555.28. *Ms. Zimmerman moved, seconded by Mr. Megonnell to approve the vouchers in the amount of \$75,555.28. Motion passed unanimously.*

Mr. Steinmeier reported the total for the vouchers to be approved and paid from Fire Tax is \$3,670.03. *Mr. Megonnell moved, seconded by Ms. Zimmerman to approve the vouchers to be paid by Fire Tax in the amount of \$3,670.03. Motion passed unanimously.*

Mr. Steinmeier reported that the Water & Sewer Authority General Obligation Bond is \$585,810.63. *Ms. Zimmerman moved, seconded by Mr. Megonnell to approve the Water & Sewer Authority General Obligation Bond in the amount of \$585,810.63, contingent upon the Water & Sewer Authority Board approval. Motion passed unanimously.*

Mr. Steinmeier reported that the last payment for the Stofko/Getty project is \$4,588.25. *Mr. Megonnell moved, seconded by Ms. Zimmerman to approve the payment for the Stofko/Getty project in the amount of \$4,588.25. Motion passes unanimously.*

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORTS AND PLANS: None

OLD BUSINESS

Ordinance 2012-15 Transient Retail Business – Chairman Klein asked for comments from Supervisors regarding the revisions to Ordinance 2012-15. Ms. Zimmerman felt it looked like all changes discussed at the workshop were incorporated and thanked Mr. Rosario for his time spent on this ordinance. *Ms. Zimmerman moved, seconded by Mr. Steinmeier to authorize the re-advertisement of Ordinance 2012-15 Transient Retail and Mobile Merchant Business. Motion passed unanimously.*

NEW BUSINESS

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

Motions - Traffic Studies, Village Way/Forney Way and Forney Way/Hanoverdale Drive – Chairman Klein explained the process that the Township has to go through to be able to legally install stop signs to be sure they are enforceable. A traffic study must be performed to see if a stop sign is warranted. In this case the study showed stop signs are warranted and the Township can move forward with advertising of the ordinance and then installation of the signs.

Ms. Zimmerman moved, seconded by Mr. Steinmeier, to accept the traffic study for the intersections of Village Way and Forney Way/Hanoverdale Drive. Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Zimmerman moved, seconded by Mr. Steinmeier to approve the advertisement of enactment of Ordinance 2012-20 amending Chapter 187-19A making the intersections of Village Way/Forney Way and Forney Way/Hanoverdale Drive 4 way stops. The motion passed unanimously.

Motions – Truck Restriction Study – *Mr. Steinmeier moved, seconded by Ms. Zimmerman to accept the truck restriction study for Wells, Bolton, Slate Ridge, N. Clover, Rauch, and portions of Manor Drive and N. Fairville. The motion passed unanimously.*

Ms. Zimmerman asked why we were not putting a weight limit on the signs. Ms. England reported that the Township is still waiting to hear from the Central Office at PennDOT for what restrictions can be posted. The Township should hear something from PennDot in the next few weeks. Mr. Harman noted that signs have been ordered.

Mr. Steinmeier gave a brief history of the issues with large trucks in these areas. They have been weaving in and out of small side streets knocking down telephone poles, mail boxes, street signs etc.

Ms. Zimmerman moved, seconded by Mr. Steinmeier, to approve the advertisement of Ordinance 2012-21 amending Chapter 187-23 restricting truck traffic on Wells, Bolton, Slate Ridge, N. Clover, Rauch and portions of Manor and N. Fairville. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion – Minimum Municipal Obligation for 2013

Ms. Zimmerman moved, seconded by Mr. Steinmeier to approve the MMO, Minimum Municipal Obligation for the 2013 budget. Motion passed unanimously.

Report – Remedial Site Work at Fire Station – Ms. England reported that the remedial site work at the Fire Station will take place on Wednesday, September 19th due to inclement weather predicted for Tuesday.

OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY COME BEFORE THE BOARD:

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mark Chiles, 228 Brookridge Court – Mr. Chiles stated he was amazed how easily the residents of Forney & Village Way were able to get stop signs installed, when residents in his development also have a dangerous intersection and were shot down. Was a study ever done? Chairman Klein reported that a traffic study was done at Tiverton/Manor and Northstar Drive and a stop sign was not warranted. Chairman Klein agreed that it was a dangerous intersection and reminded the public that the traffic study has to warrant the need for signs or they cannot be installed legally and enforced.

Roger Davidson, 7670 Forney Way – Mr. Davidson stated he is a retired state trooper and noted that a new cadet class was started in April and another cadet class of at least 100 will be starting soon. He wishes the Police would restrict class size and overlap them more to keep a steady flow of new troopers. Mr. Davidson also reminded residents that they can go before the district magistrate with issues if they have all the proper documentation.

SUPERVISORS COMMENTS:

Jay Megonnell – Mr. Megonnell asked Mr. Harman how the Public Works Budget was coming along. Mr. Harman noted he had a meeting with the Manager on Tuesday to start the process. Mr. Megonnell indicated that the Dauphin County Farm Bureau is urging residents to report stink bugs.

Mr. Megonnell asked if there has been any West Nile Updates. Confirmation has been received that a West Hanover Township man has contracted the virus. Ms. England stated there have been no additional updates.

Don Steinmeier – Mr. Steinmeier stated he was extremely pleased to see so many residents out at the meeting. Municipal government takes a pounding from the state and federal levels when they come down with unfunded mandates. Citizens need to get more involved with their legislators to voice their concerns.

Mr. Megonnell thanked Ms. England for the letter she sent to the trucking company who did damage at the Fire Station, payment has been received.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:40 pm