

**WEST HANOVER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
7171 ALLENTOWN BOULEVARD, HARRISBURG, PA 17112
MONDAY, MAY 13, 2013**

WORKSHOP SESSION: 6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER – 6:00 p.m.

Chairman Klein called the workshop to order at 6:00 pm.

ROLL CALL

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

Adam Klein, Chairman
Don Steinmeier, Secretary-Treasurer

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

OLD TOPICS

Mrs. Zimmerman asked for an update home located at 252 Picketown Road. Ms. England stated the resident has paid the fine imposed by the judge but no further action has been taken. Solicitor Yost commented that the Township could site the resident again for violations or file a petition with the Court of Common Pleas to have the home demolished as a public nuisance.

Mrs. Zimmerman asked if the tax collector has paid any rent to the Township for her office space. Ms. England stated that the Township sends a monthly invoice, however rent has not been paid for several years.

Mr. Megonnell brought up the vacant house located off of Harper Drive. He has received information that individuals are trespassing on the property and conducting illegal business. He thinks the structure was previously condemned by the Codes Administrator, and asked Ms. England to have the Codes Administrator follow up on the problem.

Mrs. Zimmerman informed the Board that she had a lengthy conversation with Kirk Collins, owner of American Pie regarding the handicap ramp he had constructed at his business. There was discussion that the ramp was built without a building permit and is not built to code. Ms. England stated that a violation notice was issued.

NEW TOPICS

Discussion – Dauphin County Local Share Municipal Grants Discussion / Dauphin County Infrastructure Bank

There was lengthy discussion regarding what projects the Township will apply for the local share Municipal grants. Ms. England reviewed the history of the projects that have and have not been funded. Chairman Klein suggested that the Township apply for \$500,000 for the Fire Station debt.

The Board discussed the balance due for the Exit 77 project, Ms. England explained that the interest rate on the Exit 77 loan will drop this year. The Dauphin County Infrastructure Bank (DCIB) was discussed to determine what projects could qualify for this program. Mr. Harman addressed the road conditions of Devonshire Heights road. The loan terms are a maximum of 10 years at 0.5%. The DCIB was established to provide an alternate funding source for the Gaming Grant applications are denied. Strategies for the projects and the acquisition of new debt for the Township were reviewed.

Mr. Megonnell moved, seconded by Mrs. Zimmerman to submit grant applications for the following projects, listed in order of preference: Fire Station Debt Reduction, (\$500,000), Exit 77 Debt Reduction, (\$300,000), and Heavy Rescue 1 as well as apply for approximately \$500,000 loan for the Devonshire Heights Intersection Relocation Project from the DCIB. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Steinmeier brought up that residents on Lawrence Drive are unhappy with the condition of the road. They said that they were promised that the road would be paved after the sewer lines were installed. Mrs. Zimmerman commented that the Water & Sewer Authority was supposed to put the road back to the same condition it was in prior to the sewer lines being installed.

Mrs. Zimmerman stated she will ask Chief Shatto to update the Heavy Rescue 1 grant application for this year.

Ms. England reminded the Board that groups and other municipalities may contact the Board and ask for the Township to sponsor grant applications. The Board discussed that the Township will apply for three grants and not sponsor any other grant applications. The Board may consider requests for letters of support for group and/or Township grant applications.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:00 PM