

## West Hanover Township Monthly Meeting Minutes

June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021 at 6:30 pm

20 Attendees including board, staff, engineer, solicitor and public

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Mr. Fowler called the meeting to order at 6:34 pm
2. **ROLL CALL:** All board members present
3. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**
  - a. A motion to approve, as presented, the monthly meeting minutes from May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021 was made by Mr. Geppert, seconded by Mr. Steinmeier. Motion passed.
4. **BOARD COMMENT / ANNOUNCEMENTS:**
  - a. Mr. Fowler reminded 2020 delinquent payments must be received by July 1<sup>st</sup> or Covid refund is forfeited
  - b. Keystone is working on sending revised bills. We have about 38 revised bills going out due to GIS updates from Dauphin County, omitted streets from HOA, erroneously exempt parcels and appeals.

### 5. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mike Kreiser – 483 Hershey Road

Does not agree with the possible partnership credit for 7439 Manor Drive.

James Bailey – 7439 Manor Drive

Thanked the board for hearing his case and for visiting his property. He has put a lot of time and effort into the property over the years.

### 6. PRESENTATIONS, STAFF & BOARD REPORTS:

#### a. Administration

- i. Alexis activity report for May
- ii. Status of intern search – Mr. Gossert welcomed Dana as the Township's summer intern

#### b. Projects

- i. Status of the Lakeside Easements – Mr. Gossert confirmed we are still awaiting the 3 signatures. Mr. Fowler asked Mr. Gossert to prepare a recommendation for the board at their next meeting as to whether we should proceed or seek another project. Mr. Shradley asked if we can have a list of other projects that can be done. The Board discussed future projects on private property vs. Township property.

### 7. TREASURER'S REPORT:

- a. Mr. Shradley stated the Mid Penn bank balance is \$996,741.98
- b. Approval of invoices totaling \$8,089.21 (HRG). A motion to approve the bills presented was made by Mr. Shradley, seconded by Mr. Steinmeier. Motion passed.

### 8. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Mr. Fowler advised because the meeting is so early in the month, the May collection report from Keystone is not yet available. Mr. Fowler stated the 2020 Delinquency collections from April - \$7,344.50 (\$715 in penalties).

Alexis stated she received an updated 2020 collection report from Keystone indicating outstanding 2020 delinquencies at \$88,062.00 comprised of a mix of residential and commercial. Alexis is sending a letter to the delinquent 2020 parcels reminding them their payment needs to be received by the end of the month or they will forfeit their Covid credit.

**9. NEW BUSINESS:**

**a. Approval of 2022 Credits**

- i. C21-03, 7728 Manor Drive – Recommendation: Approval of rain barrel (\$52) and adopt an inlet credit (\$20), parcel qualifies for 10% low impact, max credits 50% Mr. Geppert made a motion to approve Credit C21-03, seconded by Mr. Shradley. Motion passed.
- ii. C21-04, 7439 Manor Drive – Recommendation: Approval of partnership credit at 45%, in combination with 30% low impact totals 75% credit  
The Board and Mr. Greenly discussed the cost benefit of the partnership, the projects being done in good faith, his pollution reduction in the tributary into the Lenker Park stream restoration project and the zoning of his parcel. Mr. Fowler suggested the board consider the credit application subject to confirming whether the property is zoned as residential or non-residential and complies with the Authority's rates, rules, and regulations. Mr. Geppert made a motion to approve Credit C21-04 subject to confirmation of the property type and compliance with the Authority's RR&R, seconded by Mr. Steinmeier. Motion passed.

**b. RFP for remaining stream restoration projects**

Mr. Fowler confirmed we have identified a few firms we are sending them to. The Board would like the RFPs posted to the website with an expiration date of June 25th. Ms. Schnall confirmed that we don't have to publicly bid because its professional services, we can do a private bid. Mr. Greenly advised the Board that the goal of the PRP projects is to reduce sediment and nutrient. The Board and Mr. Greenly also discussed flood control projects. Mr. Shradley made a motion to approve issuing engineering RFPs for the remaining stream restoration projects, seconded by Ms. Zimmerman. Motion passed.

**10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD:**

Mr. Steinmeier, Mr. Fowler and Mr. Greenly discussed the possibility of lowering stormwater tier rates, permit extension and what neighboring townships charge.

**11. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Mike Kreiser – 483 Hershey Road

Commented on the partnership credit as stated in the rates, rules, and regulations. Mr. Fowler asked Ms. Schnall to review all aspects of the credit.

Richard Enck – 7112 Hillside Road

Commented on the budget and if money is not spent on a major project this year, there should be consideration for lower rates. Mr. Fowler responded that the board is being cognizant of the rates knowing that residents will not have the Covid refund next year.

Diane Allen – 7400 Fishing Creek Valley Road

Commented on the board members not using their microphone and the sound quality of the meeting

**12. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:**

- a. Gloria Zimmerman – Congratulations to the CD graduates
- b. Mike Geppert - None
- c. Max Shradley – Commented on RFPs for private property projects. Believes we need to have everyone on board before preparing engineering proposals, etc.
- d. Don Steinmeier – Would like more of the public to participate in the meetings
- e. Robert Fowler - None

**13. ADJOURNMENT:**

Mr. Shradley made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Steinmeier. Motion passed. Meeting ended at 8:00 pm.

**\*Next meeting July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021 @ 6:30 pm\***