

# WEST HANOVER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

7171 Allentown Blvd  
Harrisburg, PA 17112

**THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2022**  
**Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes**  
**Present via Zoom: 8**

## **1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance & Invocation**

## **2. Approval of Minutes:**

- A. Consideration of the Meeting Minutes from April 21

*Motion: Supervisor Megonnell moved, seconded by Supervisor Zimmerman. The motion was unanimous.*

## **3. Ratification of actions during the April 21 Board of Supervisors Meeting**

- A. Payroll for March 25

Payroll for April 8

Vouchers pre-paid via paper checks

Vouchers pre-paid via ACH transfer & vendor sites

Park Donation Agreement

Hiring of Summer Camp positions

Advertise for bids for Fairville Park project

Advertise for bids for Houck Manor & Holiday Park and Avondale  
Terrace

Asbestos Identification Survey

Resolution 2022-37

Resolution 2022-38

Septic pumping extension request

*Motion: Supervisor Megonnell moved, seconded by Vice Chair Miller.*

*The motion was unanimous.*

## **4. Correspondence: None**

## **5. Pennsylvania State Police In-Person Report – Not Present**

## **6. WHT Fire Company In-Person Report**

Matt Senft, 3<sup>rd</sup> Assistant Chief, reported that Bill McCahan passed away on April 30. Bill had been with the Fire Company for 57 years. He also mentioned that the Highspire Fire Department had to suspend services because no one is available. He would like the Board to work with the Fire Company on how to retain membership.

## **7. First Public Comment**

**Sheila Heckman, Dewey Drive** – requested a traffic study be performed on Dewey and Myrtle Drives. Presently there are no speed limit signs. She presented a petition signed by residents on the affected roads.

**Sarah Turner, Northstar Drive** – presented a petition with close to 2,000 signatures in favor of backyard chickens.

At this time Township Manager, Mike Gossert, spoke on the subject to the audience and answered questions. The final result is that the Zoning Ordinance is in the process of being rewritten and the Township will entertain any requests to be included in the Ordinance.

**Richard Enck, Hillside Drive** – made a comment about his chickens and his sheep. Questioned if residents were notified of the dates of upcoming roadwork in Houck Manor.

## **8. Presentations, Staff & Board Reports:**

- A. April Zoning Report
- B. April Engineer's Report from HRG
- C. May Environmental Advisory Council Meeting Minutes
- D. May Parks & Recreation Meeting Minutes
- E. April South Central EMS Chief's Report
- F. Public Works Daily Report: April 18 through May 13
- G. Property Maintenance Log: April 21 through May 12

## **9. Treasurer's Report:**

- A. April Deposits: \$224,370.35
- B. Expenditures:

(1) Payroll for April 22, Net: \$35,074.18 - Gross: \$46,087.84

*Motion: Supervisor Megonnell moved, seconded by Supervisor Zimmerman. The motion was unanimous.*

(2) Payroll for May 6, Net: \$35,382.62 - Gross: \$46,403.53

*Motion: Supervisor Zimmerman moved, seconded by Vice Chair Miller. The motion was unanimous.*

(3) Vouchers pre-paid via paper check: \$16,853.71

*Motion: Vice Chair Miller moved, seconded by Supervisor Megonnell. The motion was unanimous.*

(4) Vouchers pre-paid via ACH transfer & Vendor Sites: \$111,206.22

*Motion: Supervisor Megonnell moved, seconded by Vice Chair Miller. The motion was unanimous.*

**10. Old Business: None**

**11. Zoning & Planning:**

- A. Consideration of Financial Security Adjustment #3 for Landis Crossing in the amount of \$159,610, leaving a remaining balance of \$260,875, as reviewed by HRG  
*Motion: Vice Chair Miller moved, seconded by Secretary/Treasurer Steinmeier. The motion was unanimous.*
- B. Consideration to set a public hearing on Thursday, July 21 and to advertise the hearing for a Stormwater Ordinance Revision for Erroneous Permit, Waivers and Riparian Buffers  
*Motion: Supervisor Zimmerman moved, seconded by Supervisor Megonnell. The motion was unanimous.*
- C. Consideration to schedule a public hearing on Thursday, June 16 and to advertise the hearing for conditional use to build a home in the conservation district, Kyle Wolfe, 1341 Piketown Road  
*Motion: Vice Chair Miller moved, seconded by Supervisor Megonnell. The motion was unanimous.*
- D. Consideration of Final Subdivision & Land Development Plan 22.001 – Hillcrest Business Center at 7799 Allentown Boulevard  
*Motion: to approve a waiver of Chapter 175-12.2 Preliminary Plan; Vice Chair Miller moved, seconded by Secretary/Treasurer Steinmeier. The motion was unanimous.*  
*Motion: to approve a waiver of Chapter 168-15.Z.2 Allowable 2- and 10-Year Post-Development peak discharge rates; Vice Chair Miller moved, seconded by Secretary/Treasurer Steinmeier. The motion was unanimous.*  
*Motion: to approve a waiver of Chapter 168.18.C.12 for inlets containing a change in pipe size, the elevation for the crown of the pipes shall be the same, or the smaller pipe's crown shall be at a higher elevation; Supervisor Megonnell moved, seconded by Vice Chair Miller. The motion was unanimous.*

**12. New Business:**

- A. Consideration to accept the RACP Grant in the amount of \$500,000 to be used for the proposed new municipality complex  
*Motion: Supervisor Zimmerman moved, seconded by Supervisor Megonnell. The motion was unanimous.*
- B. Consideration to approve Resolution 2022-39, authorizing West Hanover Township's participation in a cost sharing agreement for the I-83 tolling litigation

*Motion: Supervisor Megonnell moved, seconded by Supervisor Zimmerman. Vice Chair Miller abstained.*

- C. Consideration to approve cost sharing in the amount of \$343.58 for the appraisal related to the tax appeal for Reserve at Manada Hill

*Motion: Supervisor Zimmerman moved, seconded by Supervisor Megonnell. The motion was unanimous.*

- D. Consideration to appoint David Stepler, Assistant Fire Chief, to a volunteer Director for South Central EMS position

*Motion: Supervisor Megonnell moved, seconded by Vice Chair Miller. The motion was unanimous.*

- E. Consideration to dedicate the Emergency Operation Center at Firehouse #1 to Bill McCahan

Michael Keller, Fire Company President, said that Bill was involved with West Hanover Township Fire Company, EMS, and Emergency Management Agency (EMA). Bill was with the EMA since it's inception in 1979. They feel it is only fitting to dedicate the Center to him. There will be a plaque there to honor him.

*Motion: Supervisor Megonnell moved, seconded by Supervisor Zimmerman. The motion was unanimous.*

- F. Consideration to approve hiring Summer Camp positions as listed on attachment

*Motion: Supervisor Megonnell moved, seconded by Supervisor Zimmerman. The motion was unanimous.*

- G. Consideration to appoint Dawn Keller to seat #8 as an alternate on the Parks & Recreation Board

*Motion: Secretary/Treasurer Steinmeier moved, seconded by Supervisor Zimmerman. The motion was unanimous.*

### **13. Second Public Comment**

Richard Enck, Hillside Avenue – Feels that there should be another traffic study done at N. Oak Grove Road and Allentown Blvd. Now more homes/townhomes will be built adding even more traffic at the intersection. Also, Richard stated that in the private developments he feels that the roads are narrow and cars parking on the streets, fire trucks will not be able to get through. Richard also made a comment regarding solar farms and the Market Street bridge being tolled years ago.

#### 14. Parks & Recreation Upcoming Events:

- A. 5/25 – Blue Angels – Annapolis Bus Trip
- 5/27 – Lion’s Club Chicken BBQ 10 am – 7 pm
- 6/1 – Totem Pole Playhouse – Always Patsy Cline Bus Trip
- 6/2 – Andrew Lewis – Senior Fraud Bingo 1 – 3 pm Hoffman Hall
- 6/4 – Andrew Lewis – Houck Manor Parking Lot Shredding Truck 9 am – 11 am
- 6/11 – Four Amazing Home Grown Gardens Bus Trip
- 6/12 – Strawberry Social 3 pm – 5 pm
- 6/14 – Skyline Commons Park Movie Night – Luca Starts at sundown
- 6/16 – Taco Bar, Dessert: Strawberry Shortcake Entertainment: Roy Lefever

#### 15. Supervisor Comments

**Supervisor Zimmerman** – She loves chickens! Very busy lately attending meeting and functions.

**Supervisor Megonnell** – Said with joy and sorrow to Township Manager Gossert, congratulations on your loss. Asked if the Guide would qualify as a publication to advertise our legal announcements. CAPCOG will soon be having a storm water training session and he feels some of the Township’s MS4 people should attend. The Senior Lunch was very good, great entertainment.

**Secretary/Treasurer Steinmeier** – There were about 130 attendees at the Senior Lunch. J and the Jingo’s was the entertainment. Attended the Supervisor’s Conference in Hershey. There were 50 new Resolutions presented, 8 were rejected. Resolutions 26-50 were done by a block vote. Time ran out to vote on them individually.

**Vice Chair Miller** – Great to see so many residents attend the meeting. Cannot say enough about Bill McCahan, a lot of empty shoes to fill. Found his original application to the Fire Company and it was dated June 10, 1964. Thanked the Fire Company for Bill’s “Final Ride”.

**Chair Connors** – Great attendance at the meeting. Eight residents joined via Zoom. Announced there will be an Executive Session at the conclusion of the meeting with the Solicitor regarding litigation.

#### 16. Adjournment at 8 p.m.

*Motion: Supervisor Megonnell moved, seconded by Supervisor Zimmerman. The motion was unanimous.*