
REGULAR SEMI-MONTHLY MEETING
October 8, 2013

The regular semi-monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors, Hanover Township, Northampton County, was called to order by Chairman, John N. Diacogiannis at the Hanover Township Municipal Building, 3630 Jacksonville Road, Bethlehem, PA, 18017 at 7:00 P.M.

Present were Supervisors Salvesen, Nagle, Tanczos, Walbert, and Diacogiannis, Engineer Jim Milot for Brien Kocher, Solicitor Broughal, Public Works Director Vince Milite and Township Manager John J. Finnigan, Jr.

The Pledge of Allegiance was performed.

Upon motion of Mr. Salvesen, seconded by Mr. Nagle, the Board approved the Agenda with an addition of an Executive Session for personnel issues.

Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Tanczos aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye

Upon motion of Mr. Salvesen, seconded by Mr. Nagle, the Board approved the minutes, from the meeting of the Board of Supervisors dated September 24, 2013.

Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Tanczos aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis abstain

Upon motion of Mr. Salvesen, seconded by Mr. Nagle, the Board approved the List of Bills and Transfers dated October 8, 2013 as presented by the Township Treasurer/Assistant Secretary; and to enter the signed List of Bills by the Treasurer/Assistant Secretary and the Board of Supervisors as an attachment to the minutes.

Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Tanczos aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR

Mr. Roland Leonard of 303 Kevin Drive spoke in regards to an emergency access road adjacent to his property being turned into a public road. He is concerned that if this single lane road is made public, it poses a safety hazard to bikers, children, and baby strollers. Mr. Leonard stated that it would be in the best interest of the Township to place speed bumps or stop signs on the road.

Mr. Broughal advised the Board not to comment on the matter since it was still in litigation.

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN

Mr. Diacogiannis reported that he received PNC Pension Investment Summary from the Treasurer, noting that there is no change to the investment strategy, and advised to Treasurer to invite the representatives from PNC to attend a meeting in early 2014 to address the Board.

Mr. Diacogiannis also reported that the fall festival was well attended and gave special thanks to the Special Events Committee, the Community Center, and all those involved in making it a wonderful event.

REPORT OF THE VICE-CHAIRMAN

Mr. Walbert had nothing to report.

SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS & ROAD REPORTS

Mr. Nagle – Road District #1 had nothing to report.

Mr. Walbert – Road District #2 reported that, at Jacksonville Road and Bridle Path Road, a pole was relocated by developers into the middle of a pedestrian pathway. Mr. Walbert would like to come up with a way to make the pole more visible, such as reflectors being placed on it. Mr. Finnigan stated he would have the developer take care of it.

Mr. Salvesen – Road District #3, had nothing to report.

Mr. Tanczos – Road District #4 had nothing to report.

APPOINTMENTS & RESIGNATIONS

It was noted that there were no items on the agenda.

PLANNING & ZONING

It was noted that there were no items on the agenda.

ADMINISTRATION

Settlement Agreement – Hanover Township vs. City of Bethlehem and BASD

Mr. Nagle moved that the Board authorize the Chairman to execute the Settlement Agreement between Hanover Township and the City of Bethlehem and Bethlehem Area School District.

Mr. Salvesen seconded the motion.

Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Tanczos aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye

Authorize Chairman to Sign Acknowledgment and Release regarding the Takeover Agreement between Travelers and Hanover Township for Valley View Estates Phase 1

Mr. Nagle moved that the Board approve to authorize the Chairman to sign the Acknowledgement and Release regarding the Takeover Agreement between Hanover Township and Travelers for Valley View Estates Phase 1.

Mr. Salvesen seconded the motion.

Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Tanczos aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye

PUBLIC WORKS

It was noted that there were no items on the agenda.

DEVELOPMENTS

Northgate Business Center II, Lot 3 – Extension

Mr. Tanczos moved that the Board approve to grant the Developer/Owner of Northgate Business Center II, Lot 3 an extension to November 26, 2013 in regards to the MPC Deadline; and to notify the Developer of the Board's action.

Mr. Nagle seconded the motion.
Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Tanczos aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye

Note for the Record – Lehigh-Northampton Airport Authority-1,144 Acre Lot Consolidation – Extension

Mr. Tanczos Noted for the Record that Lehigh-Northampton Airport Authority has granted the Township an extension to January 28, 2014 in order to review the Plans for the 1,144 Acre Lot Consolidation.

Authorize Chairman and Secretary to sign the Site Plan Improvements, Site Plan Maintenance and Declaration of Covenant Agreement of Easement for Maintenance of Stormwater Management Facilities Agreements with Jason C. and Marcus K. Danweber regarding Bethlehem Business Park Lot 8A

Mr. Tanczos moved that the Board authorizes the Chairman and Secretary to sign the Site Plan Improvements Agreement, the Site Plan Maintenance Agreement and the Declaration of Covenant Agreement of Easement for Maintenance of Stormwater Management Facilities Agreements for Bethlehem Business Park Lot 8A.

Mr. Walbert seconded the motion.
Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Tanczos aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye

Hanover Corporate Center 2 – Lots 1 and 10 – Extension Request

Mr. Tanczos moved that the Board approve to grant the Developer of Hanover Corporate center 2 – Lots 1 and 10 an extension to April 30, 2014 to satisfy conditions and recording of the Preliminary/Record Land Development Plan; and to notify the Developer of the Board's action.

Mr. Walbert seconded the motion.
Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Tanczos aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR

Mr. Mike Schmalzer of the Moore Township Lions Club presented Mr. Tanczos a certificate for providing supplies to the Blind Fishing Event that the Lions Club holds for blind children to go trout fishing. Mr. Schmalzer acknowledged that Mr. Tanczos has donated for the past 16 years.

Mr. Tanczos thanked Mr. Schmalzer and commended him on the hard work and dedication that it takes to run the program. Mr. Schmalzer, who was previously worked with the Township as an Engineer, also commended the community, the Board, and the Staff as being the best he has ever worked with.

STAFF REPORTS

Engineer Milot had nothing to report.

Solicitor Broughal had nothing to report.

Mr. Milite noted that leaf collection will begin on October 14th and the schedule will be on the website.

Mr. Finnigan reported that the new lift truck is being put to extensive use by removing numerous tree branches that posed a public safety hazard.

Mr. Finnigan also reported that there has been an ongoing issue with parking during school hours at Claire Street and Greenleaf Street with kids running in and out of cars and into the street. Public Works has put up “no parking” signs, to improve the safety and visibility in the area. These signs will eventually be changed to “no parking during school hours”. Some residents have called the Township and voiced their displeasure, however the Township, Colonial Regional Police Department, and Hanover Elementary school, all fully support the signs as an effort to increase safety in the area.

Upon motion of Mr. Salvesen, seconded by Mr. Nagle, the Board approved adjournment and entered into an executive session at 7:26 P.M.

Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Tanczos aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye

Ryan Kish
Township Treasurer/Assistant Secretary