
**REGULAR SEMI-MONTHLY MEETING
November 11, 2014**

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 Nagle, Tanczos and Walbert, Engineer Brien Kocher, Solicitor James Broughal, Director of Administration/Treasurer Ryan Kish, Public Works Director Vince Milite and Township Manager John J. Finnigan, Jr.

The Pledge of Allegiance was performed.

Upon motion of Mr. Nagle, seconded by Mr. Walbert, the Board approved the Agenda. Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Tanczos aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye.

Upon motion of Mr. Nagle, seconded by Mr. Walbert, the Board approved the minutes, from the meeting of the Board of Supervisors dated October 28, 2014. Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Tanczos aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye.

Upon motion of Mr. Nagle, seconded by Mr. Walbert, the Board approved the List of Bills and Transfers dated November 11, 2014 as presented by the Township Secretary/Assistant Treasurer; and to enter the signed List of Bills by the Secretary/Assistant Treasurer and the Board of Supervisors as an attachment to the minutes. Mr. Nagle aye with the exception of General Fund Check Number 3186 the portion of the proceeds which benefit me, Mr. Tanczos aye with the same exception, Mr. Walbert aye with the same exception, Mr. Diacogiannis aye with the same exception.

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR

It was noted that no one wished to offer any comment.

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN

Mr. Diacogiannis had nothing to report; but acknowledged all the Veterans and thanked them for their service.

REPORT OF THE VICE-CHAIRMAN

Mr. Walbert had nothing to report.

SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS

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

Mr. Walbert – Road District #2, had nothing to report.

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

Mr. Diacogiannis – Road District #5, had nothing to report.

APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS – BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

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

PLANNING & ZONING

Public Meeting – Proposed Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances by Adding Chapter 84, Emergency Response Payment Reimbursement

Mr. Walbert noted for the record that the public meeting has been duly advertised and the Secretary has received Proof of Publication.

Mr. Walbert noted for the record that there were no comments from the Board or the public.

Mr. Walbert moved that the Board approve Ordinance 2014-9 amending the Code of Ordinances by adding Chapter 84, Emergency Response Payment Reimbursement.

ORDINANCE NO. 14 - 9

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HANOVER, NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HANOVER NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, BY ADDING CHAPTER 84, EMERGENCY RESPONSE PAYMENT REIMBURSEMENT, AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT HERewith

Mr. Tanczos seconded the motion.

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

Conditional Use Application – DTC Innovation Way, LP for 4482 Innovation Way

Mr. Walbert moved that the Board approve to authorize the Township Zoning Officer to advertise for a Conditional Use Hearing on December 16, 2014 for the Conditional Use Application from DTC Innovation Way, LP for the property located at 4482 Innovation Way.

Mr. Tanczos seconded the motion.

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

Zoning Hearing Petition – DTC Innovation Way, LP for 4482 Innovation Way

Attorney Erich Schock from Fitzpatrick, Lentz and Bubba was present to discuss the Petitioner's variance request in regards to Section 185-38.H.(2) to allow the storage as proposed on the plan.

After discussion, Mr. Walbert recommended that the Board not send the Solicitor and Engineer to the Zoning Hearing Meeting and to let the Zoning Hearing Board handle.

ADMINISTRATION

Authorize the Township Manager to Pay-off the Note with KNBT for the Community Center Building.

Mr. Nagle moved that the Board approve to authorize the Township Manager to pay-off the note with KNBT for the Community Center Building.

Mr. Finnigan stated that originally the Township took a bond out to be paid off in 2017; it was refinanced to a loan to be paid off in December of 2015. With the Township being in a position to pay the loan off early, it will save almost \$20,000 in interest.

Mr. Walbert seconded the motion.

Authorize the Chairman to sign the PNC Institutional Investments Policy Summary for the Township's Municipal Retirement Plan

Mr. Nagle moved that the Board approve to authorize the Chairman to sign the PNC Institutional Investments Policy Summary for the Township's Municipal Retirement Plan Portfolio.

Mr. Diacogiannis noted that this profile is endorsed annually to allow PNC to invest the Township's funds within a certain range; 50% investments and 50% bonds.

Mr. Walbert seconded the motion.

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

Proclamation 2014-11, Honoring Andrew Matthew Dauphin on His Eagle Scout Award

Mr. Nagle moved that the Board approve Proclamation 2014-11 honoring Andrew Matthew Dauphin on his Eagle Award:

**HANOVER TOWNSHIP
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY**

PROCLAMATION NO. 2014-11

**A PROCLAMATION HONORING
ANDREW MATTHEW DAUPHIN
ON THE ACHIEVEMENT OF HIS EAGLE AWARD**

WHEREAS, Andrew Matthew Dauphin has achieved a significant accomplishment in life's path earning his Eagle Award as a member of the Boy Scouts of America; and

WHEREAS, Andrew officially received his award during an Eagle Presentation Ceremony on Sunday, November 23, 2014 as a member of Boy Scout Troop 352, Notre Dame of Bethlehem Roman Catholic Church, Bethlehem, PA; and

WHEREAS, Andrew installed a wall and patio area to be used for Flag Retirement Ceremonies as his Eagle Project; and

WHEREAS, Andrew has exemplified the virtues of scouting and has exhibited leadership skills in his troop serving as Patrol Leader and Troop Guide.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED, by the Board of Supervisors of Township of Hanover, County of Northampton, and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

That Andrew Matthew Dauphin is applauded and recognized on the occasion of his Eagle Award and the Board of Supervisors congratulates him for his dedication and devotion in preserving the finest virtues of American life as set forth by Scouting principals. The

Board of Supervisors also proclaim Monday, November 24, 2014 as Andrew Matthew Dauphin Day in Hanover Township.

Mr. Walbert seconded the motion.

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

Proclamation 2014-12, Honoring Ryan Edward Schmidt on His Eagle Scout Award

Mr. Nagle moved that the Board approve Proclamation 2014-12 honoring Ryan Edward Schmidt on his Eagle Award:

**HANOVER TOWNSHIP
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY**

PROCLAMATION NO. 2014-12

**A PROCLAMATION HONORING
RYAN EDWARD SCHMIDT
ON THE ACHIEVEMENT OF HIS EAGLE AWARD**

WHEREAS, Ryan Edward Schmidt has achieved a significant accomplishment in life's path earning his Eagle Award as a member of the Boy Scouts of America; and

WHEREAS, Ryan officially received his award during an Eagle Presentation Ceremony on Sunday, November 23, 2014 as a member of Boy Scout Troop 352, Notre Dame of Bethlehem Roman Catholic Church, Bethlehem, PA; and

WHEREAS, Ryan built shelving in the basement of the former Notre Dame of Bethlehem Parish Convent to be used to house Parish equipment; and

WHEREAS, Ryan has exemplified the virtues of scouting and has exhibited leadership skills in his troop serving as Assistant Senior Patrol Leader and Patrol Leader.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED, by the Board of Supervisors of Township of Hanover, County of Northampton, and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

That Ryan Edward Schmidt is applauded and recognized on the occasion of his Eagle Award and the Board of Supervisors congratulates him for his dedication and devotion in preserving the finest virtues of American life as set forth by Scouting principals. The Board of Supervisors also proclaim Tuesday, November 25, 2014 as Ryan Edward Schmidt Day in Hanover Township.

Mr. Walbert seconded the motion.

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

Proclamation 2014-13, Honoring Joshua David Soares on His Eagle Scout Award

Mr. Nagle moved that the Board approve Proclamation 2014-13 honoring Joshua David Soares on his Eagle Award:

**HANOVER TOWNSHIP
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY**

PROCLAMATION NO. 2014-13

**A PROCLAMATION HONORING
JOSHUA DAVID SOARES
ON THE ACHIEVEMENT OF HIS EAGLE AWARD**

WHEREAS, Joshua David Soares has achieved a significant accomplishment in life's path earning his Eagle Award as a member of the Boy Scouts of America; and

WHEREAS, Joshua officially received his award during an Eagle Presentation Ceremony on Sunday, December 7, 2014 as a member of Boy Scout Troop 352, Notre Dame of Bethlehem Roman Catholic Church, Bethlehem, PA; and

WHEREAS, Joshua cleaned and constructed an outdoor sitting area with shrubbery and a fence for added privacy for mothers and their children located at Mary's Shelter in Bethlehem, PA; and

WHEREAS, Joshua has exemplified the virtues of scouting and has exhibited leadership skills in his troop serving as Senior Patrol Leader and Order of the Arrow Representative.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED, by the Board of Supervisors of Township of Hanover, County of Northampton, and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

That Joshua David Soares is applauded and recognized on the occasion of his Eagle Award and the Board of Supervisors congratulates him for his dedication and devotion in preserving the finest virtues of American life as set forth by Scouting principals. The Board of Supervisors also proclaim Monday, December 8, 2014 as Joshua David Soares Day in Hanover Township.

Mr. Tanczos seconded the motion.

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

Proposed 2015 Budget – Discussion - Advertise

Discussion

Mr. Nagle moved that the Board authorize the Township Secretary to advertise that the proposed budgets are on display and that the 2015 Budget will be adopted at the December 16, 2014 Board meeting.

Mr. Walbert seconded the motion.

It was noted that there is no tax increase.

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

PUBLIC WORKS

It was noted there were no items on the agenda.

DEVELOPMENTS

Patient First – Accept Improvements and Begin Eighteen Month Maintenance Period

Mr. Tanczos moved that the Board approve, as recommended in Hanover Engineering Associates, Inc. letter dated November 6, 2014, to accept the Improvements for Patient First – Bethlehem, and authorize the start of the eighteen month Maintenance Period, conditioned upon the following:

1. The Developer provides Maintenance Security in the amount of \$59,891.70.
2. That the Developer adheres to Township Policy #25, (payment of Plans and Appeals Account charges).

Mr. Tanczos further moved that the Secretary notify the Developer of the Board's action.

Mr. Walbert seconded the motion.

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

Bethlehem Orthodontics – Improvements Deadline

Mr. Tanczos moved that the Board approve to grant the Developer of Bethlehem Orthodontics a thirty (30) day extension to December 22, 2014 for the completion of the site improvements and to notify the Developer of the Board's action.

It was noted that the Developer has requested a final inspection on the improvements.

Mr. Walbert seconded the motion.

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

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR

It was noted that no one wished to offer any comment.

Mr. Nagle noted that he attended the Library meeting last night and there is nothing new to report.

STAFF REPORTS

Mr. Kocher had nothing to report.

Mr. Broughal had nothing to report.

Mr. Milite stated that one of the leaf machines is under repair so the Public Works Department will be working until 5PM to keep on top of the leaf pickup with only three trucks.

Mr. Kish noted he met with PPL representatives on the replacing of power lines within the Township; starting in spring 2016 and it will take three weeks per tower.

Mr. Milite added that there will also be an open house meeting at the Community Center tomorrow night on the Pipe Line proposal.

Mr. Finnigan distributed a flyer from Lehigh Valley Planning Commission on the public meetings regarding "The One Lehigh Valley Plan".

Mr. Finnigan noted that the bid specifications have been advertised for the Fire Company tower truck.

Mr. Jerry Sylvester, Resident of Bella Vista stated that one morning a few weeks back, there was an accident which left a tractor trailer in his front yard. He stated that Mr. Finnigan, the support staff, police, EMS and the fire company did an excellent job removing the tractor trailer with minimal damage and thanked Mr. Finnigan on an outstanding job and appreciated all that was done.

Upon motion of Mr. Nagle, seconded by Mr. Salvesen, the Board approved adjournment at 7:30 P.M.

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

Lori A. Stranzl
Township Secretary