
REGULAR SEMI-MONTHLY MEETING
March 24, 2015

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, and Walbert, Jim Milot for Engineer Brien Kocher, Solicitor James Broughal, Director of Administration/Treasurer Ryan Kish, Public Works Director Vincent Milite, and Township Manager John J. Finnigan, Jr.

The Pledge of Allegiance was performed.

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

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

Upon motion of Mr. Nagle, seconded by Mr. Salvesen, the Board approved the minutes, from the meeting of the Board of Supervisors dated March 10, 2015.

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

Upon motion of Mr. Nagle, seconded by Mr. Salvesen, the Board approved the List of Bills and Transfers dated March 24, 2015 as presented by the Township Treasurer/Assistant Secretary; 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. Salvesen aye with the exception of General Fund Check# 3289, the portion that benefits me, Mr. Nagle aye with the same exception, Mr. Walbert aye with the same exception, Mr. Diacogiannis aye with the same exception.

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR

Resident Paul Burke of 1321 Cherry Avenue was present to discuss the Board's policy on not covering damage to mailboxes when knocked down by the snow during plowing.

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN

Mr. Diacogiannis had nothing to report.

REPORT OF THE VICE-CHAIRMAN

Mr. Walbert noted that the Colonial Regional Police Commission will be working on a new bargaining agreement which will be effective January 1, 2016.

SUPERVISOR’S COMMENTS

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

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

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

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

APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS – BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

It was noted there were no items on the agenda.

PLANNING & ZONING

Conditional Use Hearing – Polaris Bio Investors, L.P., 3365 Highpoint Blvd, LVCC Phase II Lot 13 Adult Day Care Facility

Mr. Walbert noted for the record that the hearing had been duly advertised and the Secretary has received proof of publication. A Court Stenographer is present to record all testimony.

Conditional Use Approval will be on the April 14, 2015 Board meeting for action.

Wildlands Conservancy DEP Submission

A discussion was held on a letter received from the Wildlands Conservancy regarding their intent to submit an application to DEP for the Bridle Path Dam Removal and Stream Project.

ADMINISTRATION

Proclamation 2015-1, Honoring Bethany A. Trepel on the Achievement of her Girl Scout Gold Award

Mr. Nagle moved that the Board authorize the Chairman and Secretary to sign Proclamation 2015-1, honoring Bethany A. Trepel:

**HANOVER TOWNSHIP
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY**

PROCLAMATION NO. 2015-1

**A PROCLAMATION HONORING
BETHANY A. TREMPEL
ON THE ACHIEVEMENT OF HER GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD**

WHEREAS, Bethany A. Trepel has achieved a significant accomplishment in life’s path earning her Girl Scout Gold Award as a member of the Girl Scouts of the USA; and

WHEREAS, Bethany will officially receive her award during a Girl Scout Achievement Ceremony on Sunday, April 26, 2015 as a member of Troop 83002, Allentown, PA; and

WHEREAS, Bethany made games for the children to use at Camp Brainerd, a Christian camp in Snyder'sville, PA. The games included a rope maze, basketball court lines, hopscotch and nine square lines and wooden mazes. The games are used for trust-building and team building activities; and

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 Bethany A. Trepel is applauded and recognized on the occasion of her Gold Award and the Board of Supervisors congratulates her for her dedication and devotion in preserving the finest virtues of American life. The Board of Supervisors also proclaim Monday, April 27, 2015 as Bethany A. Trepel Day in Hanover Township.

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

Proclamation 2015-2, Honoring Austin Charles Firth on the Achievement of his Eagle Award

Mr. Nagle moved that the Board authorize the Chairman and Secretary to sign Proclamation 2015-2 honoring Austin Charles Firth:

HANOVER TOWNSHIP

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY

PROCLAMATION NO. 2015-2

**A PROCLAMATION HONORING
AUSTIN CHARLES FIRTH
ON THE ACHIEVEMENT OF HIS EAGLE AWARD**

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

WHEREAS, Austin officially received his award during an Eagle Presentation Ceremony on Sunday, April 12, 2015 as a member of Boy Scout Troop 352, Notre Dame of Bethlehem Roman Catholic Church, Bethlehem, PA; and

WHEREAS, Austin planned and initiated construction of a multi-purpose shed at the Governor Wolf Homestead in East Allen Township, PA; and

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

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 Austin Charles Firth 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, April 13, 2015 as Austin Charles Firth Day in Hanover Township.

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

PUBLIC WORKS

Award Bid for Traffic Control Devices at Jaindl Blvd & Sterner's Way and Jacksonville Road & Bridle Path Road

Mr. Salvesen moved that the Board approve, as recommended by Hanover Engineering's letter dated March 20, 2015, to award the Traffic Control Devices Bid to Telco, Inc. 1224 Cross Keys Road, Reading, PA 19605, at the Bid price of \$35,000 and to authorize the Chairman and Township Manager to execute the Agreement.

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

DEVELOPMENTS

157 N. Commerce Way – Follett Corporation – Parking Spaces

Attorney Scott Lipson and representatives from the Follet Corporation were present to give a background on their company and to discuss a letter sent to the Board requesting a waiver from the total number of parking spaces needed.

Mr. Salvesen moved that the Board approve the facility with 128 parking spaces for the property owned by J.G. Petrucci Co., Inc. regarding the Follet Corporation at 157 N. Commerce Way, Bethlehem, PA and defer the remaining spaces that would total 180 spaces to a later date and as directed by the Board of Supervisors.

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

Note for the Record - Farmhouse Mews Subdivision – Extension

Mr. Salvesen noted for the record that the Developer of the Farmhouse Mews Subdivision has granted the Township a sixty (60) day extension to June 2, 2015 to review the Plan.

Note for the Record – Freshpet, LVIP IV, Lots 55/56 Manufacturing Addition Extension

Mr. Salvesen noted for the record that Freshpet, LVIP IV Lots 55/56 Manufacturing Addition has granted the Township a ninety (90) day extension to July 12, 2015 to review the current land development application.

Traditions of America at Bridle Path – Phase 1 Security Reduction Request

Mr. Salvesen moved that the Board, as recommended by Hanover Engineering's letter dated March 13, 2015, approve to grant the Developer of Traditions of America at Bridle Path a reduction of the required security in the amount of \$193,039.03 instead of the \$333,239.54 requested by the Developer upon the following conditions:

1. That the Developer acknowledges that the security provided by Arch Insurance Company will remain in force and at a minimum of \$1,251,038.47 for the work remaining, plus contingencies.
2. That the Developer adheres to Township Policy #25 (payment of Plans and Appeals Accounts).

Mr. Salvesen further moved to authorize the Secretary to notify the Developer of the Board's action.

Mr. Walbert seconded the motion.

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

Traditions of America at Bridle Path – Phase 2 Security Reduction Request Number 3

Mr. Salvesen moved that the Board, as recommended by Hanover Engineering's letter dated March 13, 2015, approve to grant the Developer of Traditions of America at Bridle Path a reduction of the required security in the total amount of \$59,461.60, resulting in a security balance of \$493,898.25 upon the following conditions:

1. That the Developer acknowledges that the security provided for Phase 2 will remain in force and at a minimum of \$493,898.25 for the work remaining plus contingencies.
2. That the Developer adheres to Township Policy #25 (payment of Plans and Appeals Accounts).

Mr. Salvesen further moved to authorize the Secretary to notify the Developer of the Board's action.

Mr. Walbert seconded the motion.

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

LVIP IV Lot 45, Piralal Critical Care, Inc. (aka Minrad) Warehouse Addition Improvements Status

Mr. Salvesen moved that the Board, as recommended by Hanover Engineering's letter dated March 18, 2015, approve to accept the Improvements and authorizes the start of the eighteen (18) month Maintenance Period conditioned upon the following:

1. The Developer provides Maintenance Security in the amount of \$2,608.50.

2. The Developer adheres to Township Policy #25 (payment of Plans and Appeals Accounts).

Mr. Salvesen further moved to authorize the secretary to notify the Developer of the Board's action.

Mr. Walbert seconded the motion.

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

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR

Resident of Traditions of America at Bridle Path questioned what the plans were for repairing Bridle Path Road. Mr. Milite noted that they have been doing some temporary patching for now and the Developer will be doing repair work.

STAFF REPORTS

Mr. Milot had nothing to report.

Mr. Broughal had nothing to report.

Mr. Milite had nothing to report.

Mr. Kish distributed the Money Purchase Plan Summary and Actuarial Report for the year 2014 and advised he attended a gaming grant meeting last night and presented our grant proposal for an Emergency Management Vehicle and Police Accident Crash Scene Investigation Kit.

Mr. Finnigan had nothing to report.

Mr. Diacogiannis closed the regular meeting and entered into the Executive Session at 8:02 P.M.

Mr. Diacogiannis closed the Executive Session and re-opened the regular meeting at 8:45 P.M.

Upon motion made by Mr. Nagle, seconded by Mr. Walbert, the Board approved the employee contribution for Medical and Dental coverage to be 5% of the premium effective with the next payroll.

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

Upon motion made by Mr. Nagle, seconded by Mr. Salvesen, the Board approved Resolution 15-9:

HANOVER TOWNSHIP NORTHAMPTON COUNTY

RESOLUTION 15-09

WHEREAS, THE Board of Supervisors of Hanover Township recognizes that the Township needs to provide park and recreation facilities that contribute to the quality of life and economic health of our community; and

WHEREAS, the County Council of Northampton County has established the Northampton County Open Space Initiative supported by a referendum overwhelmingly passed by Northampton County Voters on November 5, 2002; and

WHEREAS, the program provides for funding grants that may be used by the municipality to acquire land for park purposes and for park development; and

WHEREAS, Hanover Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania wishes to participate in the Municipal Park Acquisition and Development Program; and

WHEREAS, the municipality will have available a minimum of \$185,000.00, its required match,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of Hanover Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania, as follows:

1. That Hanover Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania hereby approves the filing of an application for funds under the Park Acquisition and Development Program.
2. That the Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Township Manager, are hereby authorized and directed to execute and file the appropriate forms with the Northampton County Open Space Advisory Board.

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

Upon motion of Mr. Nagle, seconded by Mr. Salvesen, the Board approved adjournment at 8:50 P.M.

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

Lori Stranzl
Township Secretary