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ALLEN TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES Thursday, June 9, 2016

A General Meeting of the Allen Township Supervisors was held on Thursday, June 9, 2016, at 7:00 P.M. at the Allen Township Municipal Building, 4714 Indian Trail Road, Northampton, Pennsylvania 18067. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Chairman Bruce Frack.

Roll Call: Bruce Frack - Present; Larry Oberly - Present; Alfred Pierce - Absent; Dale N. Hassler - Present; Gary Behler - Present; Brien Kocher, PE - Hanover Engineering Associates, Inc. - Present; B. Lincoln Treadwell, Jr. Esq. - Present; and Ilene M. Eckhart - Present

Public to be Heard: No comments from the audience.

Public Hearings: No scheduled public hearings.

Approval of Minutes: Mr. Oberly made a motion to approve the minutes of May 2016 and the Comprehensive Plan Workshop Minutes of May 25th, 2016 as presented, seconded by Mr. Behler. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

Reports

A. Treasurer: Mr. Hassler made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and pay the bills; seconded by Mr. Behler. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

B. Solicitor: On file.

i. Request for Executive session litigation matters: Willow Ridge sewer and building permit litigation.

ii. Catasauqua School District – report regarding meeting: Mr. Treadwell reported that he met, along with the Ms. Eckhart, with Robert Spengler (Catasauqua School Superintendent) and the District Solicitor David Knerr. Mr. Treadwell suggested hiring an officer from Catasauqua or North Catasauqua to address the parking issues. Mr. Behler

suggested that we also speak to Northampton Borough. Mr. Treadwell indicated either police force would be an option by an Intermunicipal Agreement. Mr. Hassler felt that Northampton Borough should be approached first, secondly North Catasauqua and thirdly Catasauqua. Mr. Hassler made a motion to authorize the Township Manager to contact first Northampton Borough, secondly North Catasauqua Borough and thirdly Catasauqua Borough to request the enforcement of the bike lane along West Bullshead Road and Willowbrook Road; seconded by Mr. Behler. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

C. **Engineer:** On file.

D. **Zoning Officer:** On file.

E. **Code Enforcement:** On file.

F. **Road Superintendent/Public Works Leader:** On file.

G. **Fire Company:** On file. Chief not present for report. Report presented by Second Assistant Chief.

H. **Emergency Management Coordinator:** On file.

I. **Nazareth COG Report:** No meeting.

J. **Parks:** On file.

K. **First Regional Compost Authority:** Nothing to report.

L. **Stormwater**

i. **Dry Run Detention Area – Retrofit/Alternative BMP to reduce mowing:** Mr. Oberly made a motion to study and recommend to convert Dry Run Detention areas for less intensive maintenance; seconded by Mr. Hassler. On the by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

Unfinished Business

A. **John Drive Reconstruction Bids:** Ms. Eckhart read aloud the following bids received:

Livengood Excavators \$153,580.40

Barker and Barker Paving \$263,030.00

Mr. Oberly made a motion to award the bid of John Drive reconstruction to Livengood Excavators at a cost of \$153580.40; seconded by Mr. Behler. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

B. **Route 329 Roadway Improvements – discussion regarding right of ways:** Mr. Behler made a motion to authorize the Township Manager, Township Engineer and Township Solicitor to reach out the property owners whom may be impacted by the right of ways necessary to complete the Route 329 Roadway Improvements; seconded by Mr. Hassler. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

C. Draft letter to property owners with approved plans – regarding expiration of Intermunicipal Sewer Agreement: Ms. Eckhart indicated that being within less than 6 months to the expiration of the Intermunicipal Sewer Service Agreement, the Township normally contacts land owners with approved plans indicating connection to public sewers, to advise of the pending expiration of the agreement. Mr. Oberly made a motion to send out the letters as described by Ms. Eckhart; seconded by Mr. Behler. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present votes yes.

D. John Drive Curb Specification – waiver request: Following some discussion, Mr. Oberly made a motion to deny the waiver; seconded by Mr. Hassler. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors votes yes. Mr. Hassler felt the Supervisors should analyze the ordinance and consider a change if the Township standard is antiquated.

New Business

A. Stone Ridge Phases 1C and 1D, Extension of Time to Review Plans (6/19/16): Mr. Oberly made a motion to accept the extension until with June 29th, 2016; seconded by Mr. Behler. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

Public to be Heard: Mr. Donald Noll, Pinehurst Drive, questioned if the Fed Ex pre-construction meeting has occurred. Mr. Mickey Philpot asked if the meeting was a public meeting. Mr. Frack indicated it was not a public meeting but the outcome would be covered in a report to the Board. Mr. Noll questioned if there was a sound consultant identified. Mr. Frack indicated that the property is now owned by Fed Ex.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Ilene M. Eckhart