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ALLEN TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, July 12, 2012

A General Meeting of the Allen Township Supervisors was held on Thursday, July 12, 2012, 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 Paul Balliet.

Roll Call: Paul Balliet - Present; William Holmes- Absent; Alfred Pierce - Present; Michelle Drzewiecki – Present; Bruce Frack - Present; B. Lincoln Treadwell, Jr., Esq. - Absent; Ilene M. Eckhart – Present; Brien Kocher PE (Hanover Engineering) - Absent.

Public to be Heard: No public comments.

Public Hearings: No public hearings.

Approval of Minutes: Mr. Frack made a motion to approve the minutes as presented; seconded by Mr. Pierce. On the motion, by roll call vote, all supervisors present voted yes.

Reports

A. Treasurer: Mr. Frack made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report; seconded by Mrs. Drzewiecki. On the motion, by roll call vote, all supervisors present voted yes.

B. Solicitor: On file.

C. Engineer: On file.

D. Zoning Officer: On file.

i. Request for permission to place historical marker sign – Horner Cemetery: Mr. Pierce made a motion to authorize the sign pursuant to the application received; seconded by Mrs. Drzewiecki. On the motion, by roll call vote, all supervisors present voted yes.

E. Code Enforcement: On file.

F. Road Superintendent/Public Work Director: On file. Ms. Eckhart reported on the recent breakdown of the 2001 Mack. The repairs are estimated to be \$4,000.

G. Fire Company: On file.

H. Parks: On file.

Unfinished Business

A. Hampton Ridge North and Stone Ridge 1A – request to finalize paving: The Board discussed the developers offer to finalize paving within the Hampton Ridge and Stone Ridge Developments. Following some discussion, the Board agreed to authorize the final paving of Hampton Ridge however with regard to Stone Ridge the Board maintained that the security should be increased pursuant to the last Hanover Engineering letter of review or that the developer finalize paving within Stone Ridge and that paving is to include completion of all improvements to John Drive pursuant to the approved subdivision plans.

B. Open Space Referendum – continued discussion: Mr. Pierce felt the referendum was worth one more opportunity on the ballot of the upcoming Presidential Election. Mr. Pierce made a motion to authorize the preparation of the ordinance for inclusion on the November ballot; seconded by Mr. Frack. On the motion, by roll call vote, all supervisors present voted yes.

C. Savage Road Dog Park/Trail Extension – discussion regarding sustainable landscape planting “test” area: Ms. Eckhart presented a plan to seed areas of the Savage Road property, which is presently under discussion with the County, with a sustainable seed mixture in the spring 2013. Mr. Pierce made a motion to approve the plan as Ms. Eckhart presented; seconded by Mr. Frack. On the motion, by roll call vote, all supervisors present voted yes.

D. Lehigh River properties – discussion regarding Special Purpose Study grant application and open space use options: Ms. Eckhart indicated that the Board previously approved a mini grant application to the Lehigh Delaware National Heritage Corridor for a special purpose study for the Lower Land. She indicated that the special purpose study must align with the Landscape initiative philosophy. She suggested the Board consider working with some alternatives that are not typical trail. She felt that possibly working with interns to come up with a diverse plan that may be more cost effective for the Township and investigate alternatives that are customized to the uniqueness of the lands which the Township currently owns along the Lehigh River. The Board was agreeable to allow Ms. Eckhart to proceed with this concept and return to the Board with alternatives as addressed.

New Business – No new business discussed.

Public to be Heard: No comments from the audience.

Respectfully submitted,

Ilene M. Eckhart