



Allen Township Supervisors

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ALLEN TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, June 12, 2014

A General Meeting of the Allen Township Supervisors was held on Thursday, June 12, 2014, 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; Larry Oberly - Present; Alfred Pierce - Absent; Dale N. Hassler - Present; Bruce Frack - Present; Jim Milot, P.E. - Present; B. Lincoln Treadwell, Jr., Esq. - Present; and Ilene M. Eckhart - Present

Public to be Heard: No comments from the audience.

Public Hearings: No public hearings scheduled.

A. Flood Plain Ordinance Amendment (FEMA Changes) - #2014-03: Mr. Treadwell announced that the ordinance has been advertised for adoption. Mr. Treadwell indicated the ordinance is the result of comprehensive changes to the Township's floodplain ordinance as mandated by FEMA. Mr. Oberly made a motion to open the matter for public hearing as advertised; seconded by Mr. Frack. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

Mr. Treadwell indicated that the changes have been incorporated into the existing floodplain regulation as well as the addendum of an updated map. Mr. Milot stated that the ordinance is relatively consistent with the Township's previous regulations. Mr. Balliet asked for public comments. Hearing none, Mr. Frack made a motion to close the hearing; seconded by Mr. Hassler. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes. Mr. Oberly made a motion to adopt the ordinance; seconded by Mr. Hassler. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

Approval of Minutes: Mr. Frack made a motion to approve the minutes of May 2014 as presented; seconded by Mr. Hassler. 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 and pay the bills; seconded by Mr. Oberly. On the motion, by roll call vote, all supervisors present voted yes.

B. Solicitor: On file.

C. Engineer:

i. **Stone Ridge Phase 1B:** Mr. Milot reviewed the recommendation to release financial security pursuant to the Township Engineer's letter of June 11, 2014 in the amount of \$65,993.95. Mr. Oberly made a motion to approve the release in the amount of \$65,993.95; seconded by Mr. Frack. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes. Mr. Milot confirmed the remaining security amount: \$189,709.78.

D. Zoning Officer: On file.

E. Code Enforcement: On file.

F. Road Superintendent/Public Work Director: On file. Ms. Eckhart requested an executive session regarding personnel at the conclusion of the meeting.

G. Fire Company: On file. Mr. Frack commented regarding recent calls in the southern section of the Township.

H. Emergency Management Coordinator: On file.

I. Parks: On file. Ms. Eckhart commented regarding the Northampton County Open Space Update Plan – Livable Landscapes and the public comment meeting which was held by the Steering Committee. She advised of upcoming public meetings scheduled throughout the County and survey opportunity for input.

Unfinished Business

A. Rockefeller Group Industrial Subdivision – Sewer Facilities Planning Module: Ms. Eckhart indicated that comments were received from the Allen Township Planning Commission and the Lehigh Valley Planning Commission. She indicated that this information has been transmitted to Pidcock Company (Rockefeller Group's design engineer). She further indicated that the information will be submitted to the Township as a formal submission with the compiled planning comments of both Planning Agencies.

B. Rockefeller Group Industrial Subdivision – Extension of Time for Review (exp. June 17, 2014): Ms. Eckhart explained the extension requests as received. Mr. Oberly made a

motion to grant an extension of time until July 15, 2014; seconded by Mr. Frack. On the motion, by roll call vote, all supervisors. On the motion, by roll call vote all supervisors present voted yes.

C. FedEx Land Development Plan – Extension of Time for Review (exp. June 17, 2014): Mr. Hassler questioned the period of time for the extension – which seemed rather short and if there was any limit on the number of extensions. Mr. Treadwell indicated that there was no limit the number of extension that may be requested pursuant to the MPC. Mr. Oberly made a motion to grant an extension of time until July 15, 2014; seconded by Mr. Frack. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

New Business

A. Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church - Sign: Mr. Hassler made a motion to approve the request for a temporary sign for an event outside of the Township boundaries pursuant to the Township Zoning Ordinance; seconded by Mr. Oberly. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

B. PennDOT Road Maintenance: Mr. Hassler requested Ms. Eckhart contact PennDOT regarding the numerous pothole areas on Howertown Road.

Public to be Heard: Mr. Gary Behler, W. 32nd Street, recommended improvements regarding better communications with the public especially concerning the house numbering ordinance matter. He suggested that maybe the Allen Township Fire Company could post announcements on their sign. Ms. Eckhart indicated that she was preparing a display ad for publication in the local weekly newspaper regarding the house numbering requirements.

The Board held a brief executive session regarding a personnel matter.

Respectfully submitted,

Ilene M. Eckhart