



Allen Township Board of Supervisors

Meeting Minutes September 14, 2021 7:00 P.M.

A General Meeting of the Allen Township Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday, September 14, 2021 at 7:00 P.M. at the Allen Township Fire Company Building, located at 3530 Howertown Road, Northampton, PA. Mr. Hassler led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

1. **Roll Call:** Present: Gary Behler; Dale Hassler; Gerald Montanari, Sr.; B. Lincoln Treadwell, Jr., Esq.; Absent: Bruce Frack and Stan Wojciechowski, PE, CME.; Ilene Eckhart, Manager. Absent: Carl Edwards.
2. **Announcements and/or Actions to Add New Items to Current Agenda:** Ms. Eckhart requested an Executive Session to discuss Northampton Borough Sewer litigation.
3. **Public to be Heard:** No comments from the public present.
4. **Public Hearings:** No Public Hearings.
5. **Approval of Minutes:** Mr. Behler made a motion to approve the minutes of August 10 and 24, 2021; seconded by Mr. Montanari. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.
6. **Reports – All Reports with exception of the Treasurers Report noted as “on file”.**
 - A. **Treasurer:** Mr. Behler made a motion to approve the Treasurers Report and Pay the bills; seconded by Mr. Montanari. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.
 - B. **Solicitor:** On file.
 - C. **Engineer:** On file. Mr. Wojciechowski reported the pump stations faired well in heavy recent rainstorms. Mr. Behler voiced concerns regarding the width of the truck turnaround at the JW Northampton Business Center project, which is visible from Howertown Road. Mr. Wojciechowski responded this would be verified for compliance with the plan.
 - D. **Planning/Zoning/Code Enforcement:** On file.
 - E. **Road Superintendent/Public Works Leader:** On file.
 - F. **Fire Company:** On file.
 - G. **Emergency Management Coordinator:** On file.
 - H. **Parks:** On file.
 - J. **Nazareth Council of Government:** On file.
 - K. **First Regional Compost Authority:** On file.

L. Stormwater: On file.

7. Unfinished Business

A. Resolution 2021-12 – Files to Be Purged: Mr. Behler made a motion to adopt resolution 2021-12 to authorize the purging of files pursuant in Accordance with 428 of 1968; seconded by Mr. Montanari. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

B. Resolution 2021-13 LSA Grant Monroe – Sanitary Sewer Cleaning and Televising Equipment: Mr. Behler made a motion to authorize the submission of a grant application to the LSA Monroe Grant program for the purchase of sewer cleaning and televising equipment; seconded by Mr. Montanari. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

C. Resolution 2021-14 LSA Grant Lehigh/Northampton – Sanitary Sewer Cleaning and Televising Equipment: Mr. Behler made a motion to authorize the submission of a grant application to the LSA Lehigh/Northampton Grant program for the purchase of sewer cleaning and televising equipment; seconded by Mr. Montanari. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

D. Willowbrook Road/Radar Drive Security Release – Rockefeller: Mr. Wojciechowski provided a recommendation to not issue the entire reduction request due to material defects to the paving. Mr. Montanari asked the length and would need to milled off. Mr. Wojciechowski stated it was 800' long. Mr. Behler made a motion to release \$91,200.29 of the security requested; seconded by Mr. Montanari. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

Mr. Montanari questioned if this could be corrected this season. Mr. Wojciechowski felt the developer may want to view this as a driveway. Mr. Behler and Montanari were both concerned that the work is to be done to Township standard if the road is to be dedicated to the Township.

8. New Business

A. County of Northampton Contract – Community Development Block Grant Program Participation for Federal Fiscal Years 2022-2024: Mr. Behler made to approve the participation agreement with Northampton County for the Federal Fiscal Years 2022-2024; seconded by Mr. Frack. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

B. 2021 Trick or Treat – Sunday, October 31st, 6 to 8 PM: Mr. Behler made a motion to designate Trick or Treat night for Sunday, October 31st from 6 to 8 PM with an alternate raindate of November 1, 2021; seconded with November 1st as the raindate; seconded by Mr. Montanari. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

C. 2022 Non-Uniformed Pension Plan Minimum Municipal Obligation Certification: Mr. Behler made a motion to acknowledge the 2022 MMO per the certification provided; seconded by Mr. Frack. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

9. Public to be Heard: Mike Tift, Indian Trail Road, suggested in the past complained in the past about not being able to hear Board members speaking during the meeting. He suggest the Township change the sound system to clip on lapel pins microphones and also to add speakers to the room.

There being no further comments or business the meeting adjourned at 7:20 PM.

The Board held a brief executive session regarding ongoing litigation per case: C-48-CV-2020-03684.

Respectfully submitted,

Ilene M. Eckhart