



# Allen Township Supervisors

4714 Indian Trail Road

Northampton, Pennsylvania 18067

Larry Oberly, Chairman  
Dale Hassler, Vice Chairman  
Bruce Frack  
Alfred Pierce  
Gary Behler

Robert J. Cox, P.E., P.L.S.  
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Ilene M. Eckhart, Manager

## ALLEN TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, October 24, 2017

A General Meeting of the Allen Township Supervisors was held on Tuesday, October 24, 2017 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 Larry Oberly.

**Roll Call:** Larry Oberly - Present; Bruce Frack - Present; Dale N. Hassler – Present; Alfred Pierce – Present; Gary Behler - Present; B. Lincoln Treadwell, Jr., Esq. - Present; Robert Cox, P.E., P.L.S. (Barry Isett & Associates, Inc.) – Present; and Ilene Eckhart – Present.

**Public Hearings:** No Public Hearings

**Public to be Heard:** No Public Comment

### Unfinished Business

**A. Brake Retarder Prohibition – Follow-up Roads to Be Considered, Study Requirements, Costs/Maintenance of Signage:** Ms. Eckhart discussed the next steps as per the meeting with Engineer Bob Gonzalez. PennDOT will evaluate the need on State Roads and the Township will be responsible for signage on State Roads. On Township Roads, the Township will be responsible for studies and signage. The Township will need to compile a list and meet with PennDOT regarding the State Roads. Mr. Oberly suggested starting with Route 329 and Seemsville Road. Mr. Behler agreed and suggested Howertown Road. Mr. Hassler suggested discussing Cherryville Road and Indian Trail Road because of Lehigh Township requesting Truck Restrictions on those roads. The consensus of the Board was to have all the State Roads considered by PennDOT.

**B. Radar Speed Sign Project – LSA Monroe – Request to Proceed with Quotations (Based on Estimate in Line with Grant Budget):** Ms. Eckhart informed the Board there will be enough money in the Grant to proceed with the Project. Mr. Cox informed the Board that the signs should have a 7-day solar powered battery backup to keep the signs going. Ms. Eckhart will return with a detailed map of locations.

**C. Century Commerce Center – Final Plan Conditional Approval – Time Extension/Amendment to Condition:** Mr. Treadwell informed the Board of a letter from Liberty Trust requesting a time extension until January 26, 2021 (5 years from Preliminary Plan Approval) to record their plan. Mr. Behler made a motion to provide a one-year extension for Recording of the Final Plan

to be recorded by November 22, 2018; seconded by Mr. Pierce. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

**D. Grant of Permanent Traffic Control Device and General Grading/Utility Easements – Willowbrook Road:** Mr. Pierce made a motion to accept 2 easements, one from the Airport and one from FedEx for the Traffic Control Devices; seconded by Mr. Hassler. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

**E. Northampton Business Center Preliminary Land Development Plan, Extension of Time for MPC Review until February 28, 2018:** Mr. Behler made a motion to all the Extension of Time for MPC Review until February 28, 2018; seconded by Mr. Frack. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

**F. Sewer Agreement – Northampton Boro:** Mr. Treadwell reviewed the Sewer Agreements to be approved by the Supervisors. Mr. Pierce made to approve the Sewer agreement for the Jaindl Land Company; seconded by Mr. Hassler. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes. Mr. Pierce made a motion to approve the Sewer agreement for Lehigh Valley Builders, Ed Diechmeister to purchase EDU's from Northampton Boro; seconded by Mr. Behler. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

**G. Dashuta Extension of Time:** Mr. Behler made a motion to accept the extension of time for the Dashuta Land Development Plan until December 31, 2017; seconded by Mr. Frack. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

### New Business

- A. Northampton Borough Municipal Authority – Northampton Heights Elevated Tank Land Development Plan:** Mr. Kerbacher reviewed the Plan for the Northampton Heights Elevated Tank. Mr. Pierce made a motion to approve the plan as recommended by the Planning Commission; seconded by Mr. Hassler. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.
- B. Lehigh Township – Cherryville and Indian Trail Roads – Request for Input Proposed Truck Restriction:** Ms. Eckhart reviewed the request from Lehigh Township regarding Cherryville and Indian Trail Roads for input to Restrict Trucks on these roads and to allow advanced signage in Allen Township. Mr. Frack requested to see the studies done by Lehigh Township. Mr. Hassler made a motion to grant Lehigh Township to permission to place signage to prohibit truck traffic pending confirmation from PennDOT; seconded by Mr. Pierce. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.
- C. West Bullshead and Willowbrook Road Paving Update:** Mr. Cox updated the Supervisors on the paving schedule and made them aware that the Paving company will be able to keep the road open and have flaggers during the paving. Mr. Cox also supplied the Board with the striping plan for Willowbrook Road. Mr. Frack questioned the pipe installation in Hanover Township and if they would be closing the road. Mr. Cox was unsure of if there will be closure or not.
- D. Paving Indian Trail Road:** Mr. Hassler questioned the paving of Indian Trail Road. Ms. Eckhart informed the Board that when questioned, PennDOT stated the paving would be done something in the future.

**Public to be Heard:** Mr. Clater informed the Board of a meeting he attended at the LVPC and requested the Board send a request to PennDOT to investigate posting Weaverville Road from Airport Road to Route 329.

Mr. Chris Nagy questioned if Seemsville Road could be added to that request. Mr. Oberly stated that if a Business Use is located on that road, they cannot limit the truck traffic. Mr. Nagy also questioned Allen Drive. Mr. Oberly and Mr. Hassler informed Mr. Nagy that Allen Drive is a State Road.

Mr. Behler made a motion to authorize The Township Manager to write a letter to PennDOT to prohibit 102” trucks from Weaversville Road; seconded by Mr. Hassler. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

Mr. Jay Hower inquired about the failing pavement on Indian Trail Road in front of the Municipal Building Driveway and questioned if line striping would be completed now that the road is not being repaved. Ms. Eckhart will inquire.

### **Next Meetings**

- ◆ Board of Supervisors, 2018 Budget Meeting, Wednesday, November 1, 2017 6:00 PM
- ◆ Board of Supervisors, Thursday, November 9, 2017 7:00 PM
- ◆ Planning Commission, Monday, November 20, 2017 7:00 PM (Location: Allen Township Fire Company Building, 3530 Howertown Road, Northampton PA)
- ◆ Board of Supervisors, Tuesday, November 28, 2017 7:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Ilene M. Eckhart  
Manager