

# Allen Township Supervisors

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## ALLEN TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES

**Tuesday, October 25, 2011**

A General Meeting of the Allen Township Supervisors was held on Tuesday, October 25, 2011, 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 – Present; Alfred Pierce – Present; Michelle Drzewiecki - Present; Bruce Frack - Present; B. Lincoln Treadwell, Jr., Esq. -Present; Ilene Eckhart – Present; and Brien Kocher, P.E., Hanover Engineering Associates, Inc. - Present.

Public Hearings: No public hearings.

Public to be Heard: No comments from the audience.

### **Unfinished Business**

**A. PennDOT Winter Services Agreement 2011-2016:** Ms. Eckhart explained the new agreement includes a 3% inflationary increase which is reflected in the total agreement value. Following Ms. Eckhart's explanation, Mr. Holmes made a motion to approve the PennDOT Winter Services Agreement for 2011-2016; seconded by Mr. Frack. On the motion, by roll call vote, all supervisors present voted yes.

**B. Spring Hill Road – ongoing erosion issues (Burke driveway):** Ms. Eckhart provided the Board with a review of the erosion problems occurring over the past year at the 63 Spring Hill Road driveway. She indicated this has been an ongoing problem which has been particularly worse this year and that the Fish Commission and Northampton County Conservation District. Mr. Treadwell indicated diverting water unto the public road is a summary offense pursuant to the Second Class Code. Following some discussion, Mr. Pierce made a motion to authorize the Solicitor to draft the appropriate letter to the property owners (Burke and Rinker) informing them that diversion of water

onto the Township is a violation is to be corrected in 30 days and if not corrected the Township will prosecute; seconded by Mr. On the motion, by roll call vote, all supervisors present voted yes.

**C. Kreidersville Covered Bridge Park – wedding policy:** Mr. Pierce made a motion to adopt a policy that mirrors the Allentown Rose Garden policy for the Kreidersville Covered Bridge Park limiting the size of each event to 50 people and requiring registration by the user; seconded by Mr. Holmes. On the motion, by roll call vote, all supervisors present voted yes.

**D. PPL Electric Utilities Corporation Martins Creek Siegfried Reconstruction – PUC Application:** Ms. Eckhart reported that the Planning Commission received some comments from a property owner along the rebuild area with concerns to the access to the site and erosion and control measures during construction. Mr. Pierce felt that PP&L should inform the Township how they plan to access the project from the public road system. Mr. Kocher indicated The Planning Commission also rose issues regarding the height of the tower (pertaining to the FAA) and erosion control and if the Northampton County Conservation District would be inspecting.

**E. Willow Ridge, security release request for sidewalk (Omega Homes):** Mr. Pierce made a motion to authorize the release in the amount of \$12,765 pursuant to the request of Omega Homes for completion of sidewalk in the Willow Ridge development; seconded by Mr. Frack. On the motion, by roll call vote, all supervisors present voted yes.

**F. Northampton Borough Sewer Litigation – request for executive session:** Mr. Treadwell requested an executive session at the conclusion of the business items to discuss the Northampton Borough Sewer Litigation.

### **New Business**

**A. Water and Sewer Infrastructure Planning Discussion – areas available for future development south of Catasauqua Creek:** Ms. Eckhart explained the Act 537 Addendum B included a concept and agreement to service certain portions of the Township via North Catasauqua and to Catasauqua Borough for treatment. She suggested this concept should be revisited by the Board in light of the potential sale of lands currently owned by Lehigh Valley International Airport, which will ultimately require service. Following a brief discussion, the Board agreed to send a letter to Catasauqua Borough, North Catasauqua and Hanover Townships to see if they are willing to allow us to interconnect to their sewer system.

**Public to be Heard:** No comments from the audience.

Following a brief executive session concerning the ongoing litigation with Northampton Borough regarding sewer and there being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Ilene M. Eckhart  
Manager