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ALLEN TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, September 25, 2012

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

Public Hearings: No public hearings.

Public to be Heard: Mr. Steve Gensits, Willow Ridge, was present to complain about the tracking of mud on the Township roads in the development by the Omega Homes developers. Mr. Mack indicated that the contractor is excavating for foundations and drives the track machine across Township roads from one lot to the other. Following some discussion, Mr. Treadwell indicated that he would look into potential ordinance violations as well as violations of the motor vehicle code.

Ms. Erin Scheid, 106 Gray Drive, presented the Board with a letter to allow for the closing of Gray Drive on October 13, 2012 for a Block Party. Mr. Holmes requested the as a condition of approval Ms. Scheid supply the addresses of the property owners from whom they did not attain express permission. Mr. Holmes made a motion to approve the request; seconded by Mr. Frack. On the motion, by roll call vote, all supervisors present voted yes.

Mr. Timothy Sabia, expressed concerns regarding United Nations Agenda 21 as it relates to sustainable development program.

Mrs. Leona Sabia was present along with her son Timothy to object to the recent presentation made to the Board at the September 13, 2012 by the new owner of the Wuchter property to open an area of Stagecoach Road to install a driveway to a portion of the lands he recently acquired. Mr. Treadwell indicated that the individual would need permission from the Sabia's to gain access to Stagecoach Road. Mr. Treadwell indicated this was communicated to him at the last Board of Supervisors meeting.

Unfinished Business

A. Private Water Lateral, standards, regulations, and inspections: Ms. Eckhart presented that the current Township Code does not provide for standards, regulation and inspection criteria for private water laterals. Mr. Pierce questioned what the Building Code Official has stated regarding this matter. Ms. Eckhart and Mr. Mack concurred that the Building Code Official's inspection obligation ends five foot outside of the structure wall. Mr. Pierce felt that the Building Code does provide for regulations regarding private water laterals. Following some discussion, the Board agreed that it is to be determined if the Building Code applies and to then determine if an independent regulation is required.

B. Emergency Operations Plan Update, for approval: Mr. Frack made a motion to authorize the Emergency Management Coordinator to forward the Emergency Operations Plan update onto Northampton County; seconded by Mr. Holmes. On the motion, by roll call vote, all supervisors present voted yes.

New Business

A. Permission to issue citation, violation of Zoning Ordinance Junkyard use in Medium Density Zoning District (Chapter 27; Section 701-702 Medium Density Residential permitted/conditional uses and Section 1524 Junkyard): Ms. Eckhart presented information and complaints received from adjoining neighbors regarding the collection of unregistered unlicensed vehicles at the property located at 1200 Barkley Drive. Mr. Holmes made a motion to authorize Ms. Eckhart permission to proceed with the preparation of a Notice of Violation; seconded by Mr. Frack. On the motion, by roll call vote, all supervisors present voted yes.

Public to be Heard: No comments from the audience.

Respectfully submitted,

Ilene M. Eckhart
Manager