



Allen Township Supervisors

4714 Indian Trail Road

Northampton, Pennsylvania 18067

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ALLEN TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, September 27, 2016

A General Meeting of the Allen Township Supervisors was held on Tuesday, September 27, 2016 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 Bruce Frack.

Roll Call: Bruce Frack - Present; Dale N. Hassler – Present; Alfred Pierce – Present; Larry Oberly - Absent; Gary Behler - Present; B. Lincoln Treadwell, Jr., Esq. - Present; Brien Kocher, P.E. (Hanover Engineering Associates). – Present; and Ilene Eckhart – Present.

Public Hearings:

A. Norman and Lorraine Gundrum Agricultural Security Addition: Ms. Eckhart explained the request of the addition of the Norman and Lorraine Gundrum properties. Mr. Behler made a motion to open the hearing; seconded by Mr. Pierce. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes. Mr. Pierce made a motion to close the hearing; seconded by Mr. Behler. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes. Mr. Hassler made a motion to approve the addition of the Gundrum Property for Agricultural Security; seconded by Mr. Behler. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

Public to be Heard: Mrs. Susan Novak, Mud Lane was present to address concerns regarding the neighboring property which she indicated has an accumulated number of trucks and scrap material. She was present along with her son. Mrs. Novak is questioning if running a business on the property is legal in that area of the Township. Mrs. Novak stated that Mr. Walter Diefenderfer, the Township Code Enforcement Officer, has been to the property to see the complaint. Mr. Diefenderfer stated that he has seen the property in question. Mrs. Novak questioned if the Township can assist or if she will need to seek Legal Counsel. Mr. Treadwell stated that the Township needs to research the situation and make an assessment.

Unfinished Business

A. Resolution 2016-12 LSA Monroe Grant Application – Safe Meeting Room/Security Improvements: Mr. Hassler made a motion to adopt Resolution 2016-12 to submit an application

for funding to the LSA Monroe program for funding for safety and security upgrades; seconded by Mr. Behler. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

B. Resolution 2016-13 LSA Monroe Grant Application – Radar Speed Signage Units: Mr. Behler made a motion to adopt Resolution 2016-13 for funding to the LSA Monroe program for funding of radar speed signage units; seconded by Mr. Hassler. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

C. Hampton Ridge North – Request to Commence Maintenance Period: Mr. Behler made a motion to reject the request based on the Hanover Engineering letter of September 27, 2016; seconded by Mr. Hassler. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

D. Northampton Industrial Park – Final Subdivision Plans Lot 1, 2 & 3 and Supplemental Submissions and Preliminary Plan Conditions of Approval – Extensions of Time for MPC review of Final Plan Submissions and Extension of Time to meet conditions of Preliminary Plan approvals – Current Expiration October 24, 2016 – Current Extension Granted by Applicant – December 2, 2016: Mr. Behler made a motion to accept the extension granted by applicant until December 2, 2016; seconded by Mr. Pierce. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

E. Willow Ridge – Singles/Twins – Authorization for Township Engineer to complete final inspection of public improvements: Mr. Pierce questioned the balance of the improvements and he indicated he thought the Engineer already reviewed this issue. Following some discussion, the matter was tabled in order to determine items which may have been completed since the last Engineer's inspection.

F. Covered Bridge Park Driveway – Follow-up regarding public access/gate: The Board briefly discussed the use of the new driveway. The consensus of the Board was to leave the driveway open and add a sign stating the parks hours and rules.

New Business

A. Training – Public Works and Administration: Mr. Behler made motion to send Joanne Bailey to the front office security training seminar; seconded by Mr. Pierce. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes. Mr. Behler made a motion to send Tom Gogle and John Beltz to the wastewater training seminar; seconded by Mr. Pierce. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes. Mr. Hassler made a motion to send Tom Gogle to the CDL Records Manager training; seconded by Mr. Behler. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

B. Addition of Sewage Enforcement Officer – Hanover Engineering Gregory Gray: Mr. Behler made a motion to appoint Gregory Gray as Sewage Enforcement Officer; seconded by Mr. Pierce. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Supervisors present voted yes.

C. Northampton Borough Municipal Authority – Water Rate Increase: Ms. Eckhart stated that there will be a rate increase from NBMA. She explained residents with three-quarter-inch pipe meters and five-eighth-inch meters serving their homes will see a \$2 per month increase. Rates also will increase \$4 per month for 1 inch, \$8 for 1 1/2-inch and \$14 for 2 inch meters. Ms. Eckhart questioned if the Board would like to change the sewer service fees.

Public to be Heard: Mr. Donald Noll questioned the noise reporting from the Fed Ex project. Mr. Ed Fritz questioned if a rock crusher was going to be utilized on the site. Ms. Eckhart indicated that the rock crusher should begin in about two weeks and will be located near to the East Allen Township boundary. Mr. Mickey Philpott questioned if the crosswalk at West Bullshead and Willowbrook can be repainted.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Irene M. Eckhart
Manager