

**NORTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MUNICIPAL BUILDING
APRIL 2, 2008**

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Chairman Ronald E. Stahley called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and roll call. In attendance were Supervisors Ronald E. Stahley, Terry P. Stoudt, Ronald J. Heintzelman, Attorney Lisa Young and Secretary/Treasurer Brenda Norder.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Upon motion by Ronald J. Heintzelman, seconded by Ronald E. Stahley, the minutes of the following meeting were approved as presented: 1. March 12th Workshop. 2. March 19th Board Meeting. Roll call: Terry P. Stoudt - yes; Ronald E. Stahley - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Spring Organic Recycling schedule is as follows: the week of April 7th, Monday & Tuesday - Orefield area; Wednesday & Thursday - Schnecksville area; Friday & Monday (week of April 14th) Neffs/Slatington areas; Tuesday & Wednesday - Coplay/Ormrod/Laurys areas. This program is for North Whitehall Township residents only. For more information and scheduling pickup call the municipal office.
2. Spring clean up is scheduled for Friday, April 25th from 10 AM till 2 PM and Saturday, April 26th from 8:00 to 11:30 AM at the Schnecksville Fire Company property.
3. The 2006 State Liquid Fuels Audit was completed and the initial audit had no findings.
4. Bid Proposals will be accepted until 7:45 AM, April 30 for the sale of a 1994 Case Wheel Loader 621B. Bid forms are available during regular business hours in the Administration Office. Bids will be opened on April 30 at approximately 8 AM, as advertised.
5. An invitation to bid for propane fuel has been advertised and bids will be publicly opened on April 30 at approximately 8 AM.
6. Supervisor Stahley recognized Darrin Blose and his crew for the fine workmanship on the meeting room renovations.
7. Supervisor Stahley asked that any homeowner who may have removed snow stakes, that were placed on their property, to please return them to the Township.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE:

Roger Rearick, 4636 Anthony Drive, Coplay, questioned the status of two complaints that were filed in February. Supervisor Stoudt will check with the Zoning Officer.

Phil Bryan, 3126 Woodlea Road, Orefield, inquired as to where he could dispose of pressure treated lumber. It was suggested he contact Lehigh Valley Solid Waste Office about their annual Hazardous Waste Clean –up.

Mike Horn, 3244 Woodlea Road, Orefield, asked about the procedures to get a stop sign installed at the intersection of Woodlea Road and Debbie Lane. Upon motion by Terry P. Stoudt, seconded by Ronald J. Heintzelman, the Board authorized the Township Traffic Engineer to perform a traffic study to determine if the intersection warrants a stop sign. Roll call: Terry P. Stoudt - yes; Ronald E. Stahley - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes.

Donald Bachman, 4326 Copechan Road, Schnecksville, inquired about the property on Route 329 near Route 873 and the junk cars. Supervisor Stahley stated that it has been brought to the Township's attention and was reported to the Zoning Officer.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Upon motion by Terry P. Stoudt, seconded by Ronald J. Heintzelman, the Treasurer's report was approved as presented. Roll call: Terry P. Stoudt - yes; Ronald E. Stahley - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes.

OLD BUSINESS:

Supervisor Stahley stated that PA DOT announced a one-lane closure along Route 309 for the month of April for drainage work.

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION 04-02-08 EXTENSION OF TIME NW1

Upon motion by Terry P. Stoudt, seconded by Ronald J. Heintzelman, Resolution 04-02-08 was adopted. Resolution 04-02-08 grants an extension of time for Part 3 of the Construction Consultants Agreement regarding Engineering Services pertaining to Route 309 and Old Packhouse Rd., designated as contract Nos. 050405, 050405-A and 050405-B by the Commonwealth of PA until June 30, 2009. Roll call: Terry P. Stoudt - yes; Ronald E. Stahley - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes.

Laura Warmkessel, 2077 Juniper Drive, Coplay, asked for clarification of the nature of the extension.

RESOLUTION 04-02-08A PARKLAND POINTE INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT

Upon motion by Terry P. Stoudt, seconded by Ronald J. Heintzelman, Resolution 04-02-08A was adopted. Resolution 04-02-08A accepts the Indemnification Agreement stating the Developer indemnifies the Township regarding the minor changes on the Plan for Parkland Pointe and agrees to provide the Township with the corrected sheets. Roll call: Terry P. Stoudt - yes; Ronald E. Stahley - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes.

Dwayne Henritzky, builder for Donald Bachman, asked when could he expect the Plan to be recorded. He is concerned that the current problems will delay the recording and further delay the Bachman's construction. Atty. Young stated that there are two errors that need to be corrected before the Plan can be recorded, one on the check and one on the deed. She suggested he check with the Zoning Officer to see which permits can be obtained before a Plan is recorded.

Matt Sorrentino, 6718 Overlook Court, Allentown, Developer, asked Atty. Young what were the errors that he needed to correct. She explained that the check was made out for the incorrect amount and the deed had to be amended to remove reference to Geiger Road. She suggested he contact Jane Kelly regarding the check amount.

RESOLUTION 04-02-08B PARKLAND POINTE RIGHT-OF-WAY

Upon motion by Terry P. Stoudt, seconded by Ronald J. Heintzelman, Resolution 04-02-08B was adopted conditioned upon the Board of Supervisors receiving an amended deed description describing only the Copeechan Road right-of-way and deleting reference to the Geiger Road description. Resolution 04-02-08B accepts land for Right-of-Way along Copeechan Road located in the lands of Castle holdings for Parkland Pointe. Roll call: Terry P. Stoudt - yes; Ronald E. Stahley - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

RESOLUTION 04-02-08C GENERAL FUND TRANSFERS TO ROAD MACHINERY FUND

Upon motion by Terry P. Stoudt, seconded by Ronald E. Stahley, Resolution 04-02-08C was adopted. Resolution 04-02-08C approves an amendment change in the 2008 budget to reallocate \$20,000.00 of funds from the following General Fund accounts to the Road Machinery Fund account 430.62:

\$ 2,500.00 from 415.242
1,500.00 from 409.76
10,000.00 from 452.40
5,000.00 from 436.20
1,000.00 from 409.74

Roll call: Terry P. Stoudt - yes; Ronald E. Stahley - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

RECREATION ALLOCATIONS

Upon motion by Ronald J. Heintzelman, seconded by Ronald E. Stahley, the Board accepted the recommendation of the Recreation Board and authorized the distribution of the following 2008 allocations to the various organizations:

North Parkland Athletic Association	\$3,000.00
Ormrod Playground Association	4,000.00
Laurys Athletic Association	3,100.00
Schnecksville Playground Association	3,000.00
Orefield Athletic Association	1,800.00
Neffs Playground Association	2,500.00

Roll call: Terry P. Stoudt - yes; Ronald E. Stahley - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

JOINT PARKS, RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Upon motion by Ronald E. Stahley, seconded by Terry P. Stoudt, the Board affirmed the addition of Upper Macungie to the existing Inter-municipal Agreement with North Whitehall Township and South Whitehall Township for the Joint Parks, Recreation and Open Space Comprehensive Plan

Roll call: Terry P. Stoudt - yes; Ronald E. Stahley - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION LAURYS STATION AREA ACT 537 STUDY

Upon motion by Terry P. Stoudt, seconded by Ronald E. Stahley, the Board accepted the written recommendation of the General Planning Engineer Stephen Gitch, dated March 27, 2008 to authorize Hanover Engineering Associates to proceed with the Sewage Facilities Special Study for the Laurys Station area. Roll call: Terry P. Stoudt - yes; Ronald E. Stahley - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes.

Laura Warmkessel, 2077 Juniper Drive, Coplay, asked for clarification of the nature of the study and is it being conducted in order to build additional homes. Supervisor Stahley explained that the study would evaluate the current and future sewage facility needs for that area.

RELEASE OF ESCROWS FOR LEGAL & ENGINEERING

After consultation with the Solicitor and the General Planning Engineer, Secretary/Treasurer Brenda Norder recommended the following escrows for legal and engineering be returned:

NW Commercial	\$ 500.00
Glenn Beil Lot Line	1,232.50
Johnson Farms Rezoning	1,992.08

Upon motion by Terry P. Stoudt, seconded by Ronald J. Heintzelman, the Board authorized the Treasurer to return the escrow balances. Roll call: Terry P. Stoudt - yes; Ronald E. Stahley - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Supervisor Stahley announced the following:

- In response to the newsletter article, interested residents have volunteered to help maintain the Gateway Garden area.
- PA DOT now allows residents to register to become organ donors on line.
- PA DOT has also announced that funding is available for Capacity and Safety Improvement previously thought to be cancelled. This includes the Sand Spring Road and Route 309 intersection.
- A request for the closing of Coplay Creek Road between Coffeetown and Levans Roads, on April 4th, was received. The Secretary will research the Township's position of previous requests.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. Notification of State Liquid Fuels allocation
2. PSATS Newsletter

ADJOURNMENT Meeting adjourned at 4:34 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Norder, Secretary