

**NORTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
NORTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING
OCTOBER 1, 2008**

Chairman Ronald E. Stahley called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and roll call. In attendance were Supervisors Ronald E. Stahley, Terry P. Stoudt, Attorney Lisa Young and Secretary/Treasurer Brenda Norder. Supervisor Heintzelman was absent.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Upon motion by Terry P. Stoudt, seconded by Ronald E. Stahley, the minutes of the following meeting were approved as presented: 1. September 17th Board of Supervisors Minutes, 2. September 17th Fuel bid opening. Roll call: Terry P. Stoudt - yes; Ronald E. Stahley - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - absent. There were no public comments on this item. The Board held an Executive Session after the September 17th, 2008 Board of Supervisors meeting, for the purpose of discussing matters of litigation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The Tax Office will be closed October 9th and 10th.
2. The Township Offices will be closed Monday, October 13th for the Columbus Day Holiday.
3. Township trick or treat night will be held on Friday, October 31st from 6-8 PM, with a rain date of Saturday, November 1 from 6:00 to 8:00 PM.
4. As required, Eastern Industries Inc. has notified the Township that they have applied to DEP for a 5-year renewal of their General Air Quality Permit.
5. Supervisor Stahley announced that the Rt. 309 project has started the second phase on the east side of the roadway.
6. The Township will be hosting an Open Space Workshop presented by the Heritage Conservancy and the Wildlands Conservancy on October 22, 2008.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE:

Linda Wojciechowski, East Penn Press, apologized for the error in last week's Parkland Press stating that the EPA representatives appearing at tonight's meeting would be announcing the results of their testing.

TREASURER'S REPORT

September Treasurer's report will be given at the next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

REPRESENTATIVES FROM EPA

In attendance: Rich Fetzer, Ruth Scharr and David Polish, EPA; Karl Markiewicz, CDC; Ron Brezinski, DEP.

Mr. Fetzer presented background information regarding the reasons for the testing, types of procedures used to determine levels of arsenic in residential and public lands, and answered questions from the audience. EPA is still taking samples and results will be issued at a later date.

Fred Mihalon, 5210 Elmhurst Drive, Schnecksville, inquired about the types of arsenic and the depth of the samplings.

Paul Valtos, 4751 Orchard Road, Schnecksville, asked if they were also checking for Dioxin.

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REPRESENTATIVES FROM EPA continued

Betty Lees, 4418 Route 309, Schnecksville, asked who sets the action levels and why is there such a difference in the levels.

Molly Riley-Cygan, 4235 Route 309, Schnecksville, inquired if they are also testing for lead and what do they recommend for inhalation protection.

Nancy Braymar, 3532 Apple Road, Orefield, inquired about the parks and playground areas and the dust control from the adjacent construction.

NEW BUSINESS:

WAL-MART LAND DEVELOPMENT PLAN EXTENSION OF TIME

Upon motion by Terry P. Stoudt, seconded by Ronald E. Stahley, the Board accepted the extension of time until November 19, 2008, in order to review the Land Development Plan of Wal-Mart. Roll call: Terry P. Stoudt - yes; Ronald E. Stahley - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - absent. There were no public comments on this item.

TIMM & NANCY STOUDT EXTENSION OF TIME

This item was tabled until October 15, 2008.

PARADISE ESTATES REDUCTION OF IMPROVEMENTS ESCROW

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 September 30, 2008 and authorized the release of \$ 11,400.00 from the Maintenance and Improvements Letter of Credit for Paradise Estates, leaving a balance of \$ 66,514.00. The Developer must complete a "punch list" to the satisfaction of the General Planning Engineer before release of the final escrow balance. Roll call: Terry P. Stoudt - yes; Ronald E. Stahley - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - absent. There were no public comments on this item.

AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN HEALTH PLAN DOCUMENTS

Upon motion by Terry P. Stoudt, seconded by Ronald E. Stahley, the Board authorized the Secretary to sign the Summary of Benefits Amendments pertaining to the summary of benefits for the North Whitehall Township Group Health Plan. Roll call: Terry P. Stoudt - yes; Ronald E. Stahley - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - absent. There were no public comments on this item.

REQUEST FOR SIGNS ON COPLAY CREEK ROAD

A written request, from Michael Durkin, 4223 Coplay Creek Road, was presented to the Board requesting that additional signs be installed along Coplay Creek Road to slow traffic in the area. Supervisor Stahley will consult with the Roadmaster about adding additional signs to improve road safety.

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ORMROD SEWER HOOKUPS

DISCUSSION

Discussion regarding 7 Ormrod properties that have failed to hookup to sewer system. Letters were presented from consultants.

Vicki Ellis-Kolarz, stated on behalf of her father, owner of 2708 Limestone Street, Coplay, that they were working with Randy Bult regarding the hookup.

Bill Bachenberg, LV Sporting Clays, Coplay, inquired if they could pay the hookup fees and be billed for approximately 80-100 gallon usage without physically hooking up.

Ann Huber, owner of 3955 Portland Street, Coplay, asked what action would be taken tonight and what proceeding would occur if the hookups were not made.

Clay and Randy Bult, Coplay, inquired about special enforcement of the hookup mandate for residents in the Association due to the system being shut down.

Supervisor Stahley requested that Ms. Huber and Mr. Bachenberg submit letters of intention for review by the Township consultants.

AWARD FUEL BIDS

Upon motion by Ronald E. Stahley, seconded by Terry P. Stoudt, the Board awarded the 2008-2009 contract for diesel, gasoline and heating fuels to Horwith Fuels. Roll call: Terry P. Stoudt - yes; Ronald E. Stahley - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - absent. There were no public comments on this item.

Betty Lees, 4418 Route 309, Schnecksville, suggested in the future we should state which index is required on which to base bids.

OLD MILE HILL ROAD RELOCATION PLAN

Upon motion by Terry P. Stoudt, seconded by Ronald E. Stahley, the Board authorized the Chairman and Secretary to sign the Relocation Plans for Old Mile Hill Road upon receipt and review by the Township Engineer and the Relocation and Vacation Agreements. Roll call: Terry P. Stoudt - yes; Ronald E. Stahley - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - absent. There were no public comments on this item.

LAURYS STATION ACT 537

Upon motion by Terry P. Stoudt, seconded by Ronald E. Stahley, the Board authorized the Chairman and Secretary to execute the Act 537 documents and others as needed, pertaining to the Laurys Station Act 537 area. Roll call: Terry P. Stoudt - yes; Ronald E. Stahley - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - absent. There were no public comments on this item.

AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED WITH ORDINANCES

Upon motion by Terry P. Stoudt, seconded by Ronald E. Stahley, the Board authorized Atty. Young to proceed with the work required for the following Ordinances; the revised and updated Recycling Ordinance, the Windmill Ordinance, and the ATV Ordinance. All scheduled for the November 19, 2008 meeting. Roll call: Terry P. Stoudt - yes; Ronald E. Stahley - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - absent. There were no public comments on this item.

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AUTHORIZATION TO UPDATE LIEN

Upon motion by Ronald E. Stahley, seconded by Terry P. Stoudt, the Board authorized Atty. Young to place a new, updated lien on 2181 Juniper Drive for outstanding sewer bills. Roll call: Terry P. Stoudt - yes; Ronald E. Stahley - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - absent. There were no public comments on this item.

AUTHORIZATION TO REVIEW OF DRIVEWAY STANDARDS

At the request of the Planning Commission, Ronald E. Stahley made the motion, seconded by Terry P. Stoudt, that the Board authorizes the Township Engineer to review the International Fire Code Book for pertinent driveway standards. Roll call: Terry P. Stoudt - yes; Ronald E. Stahley - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - absent. There were no public comments on this item.

Atty. Young announced that Ordinance 2008-1, Collection of Municipal Solid Waste and Ordinance 2008-2, Open Burning will be under consideration for a Hearing on October 15, 2008.

Atty. Young reported that she has not received any roadway documents regarding the Paradise Estates road dedication.

Christine Smith, 5526 Park Valley Road, Schnecksville, inquired about the Community Safety Day, recently held in Upper Macungie Township.

COMMUNICATIONS

LVPC 2008 Hazard Mitigation Plan
Thank you card from Laurys Station Keenagers for their allocation
LCA's Ten-year Capital Plan

ADJOURNMENT Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Norder, Secretary