

**NORTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
NORTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING
JUNE 2, 2014**

Chairman Ronald J. Heintzelman called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and a moment of silence. In attendance were Supervisors Steve Pany, and Richard Celmer, Attorney Lisa A. Young, Manager Jeff Bartlett and Secretary/Treasurer Brenda Norder.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Upon motion by Steve Pany, seconded by Richard Celmer, the minutes of the Board of Supervisors Meetings of May 5, 2014, and May 20, 2014 and the Bid Opening Minutes of May 19, 2014 were approved. Roll call: Richard Celmer - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Steve Pany - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The Township Offices will be closed Friday, July 4th for the Independence Day holiday.
2. Tom Muller, Lehigh County Executive, attended the meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Upon motion by Steve Pany, seconded by Richard Celmer, the May Treasurer's report was approved as presented and the Treasurer was authorized to disburse checks #8608-8708. Roll call: Richard Celmer - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Steve Pany - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

OLD BUSINESS: No Old Business

NEW BUSINESS:

RELEASE OF LEGAL & ENGINEERING ESCROW

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

Valley Road Lot Line \$ 255.00

Upon motion by Steve Pany, seconded by Richard Celmer, the Board authorized the Treasurer to return the escrow balance. Roll call: Richard Celmer - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Steve Pany - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

REFUND OF TAXES

Upon motion by Steve Pany, seconded by Richard Celmer, the Board approved the request from the Lehigh County Assessment Office and authorized the Treasurer to refund Township taxes based on a revised assessment and court order, on the following property:

3374 Fairland Dr \$9.75

Roll call: Richard Celmer - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Steve Pany - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

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APPLE BLOSSOM CIRCLE SUBDIVISION EXTENSION OF TIME

Upon motion by Steve Pany, seconded by Richard Celmer, the Board accepted an extension of time, until January 31, 2015, in order for the Board to review the Subdivision Plan of Apple Blossom Circle and so that the Developer can resolve outstanding issues with several outside agencies. Roll call: Richard Celmer - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Steve Pany - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

ESTATE OF EDWARD KLUSARITZ EXTENSION OF TIME

Upon motion by Steve Pany, seconded by Richard Celmer, the Board accepted an extension of time, until October 31, 2014, in order for the Planning Commission to review the Minor Subdivision Plan of Estate of Edward Klusaritz. Roll call: Richard Celmer - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Steve Pany - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

RESOLUTION 06-02-14 DISPOSITION OF OBSOLETE RECORDS

Upon motion by Steve Pany, seconded by Richard Celmer, Resolution 06-02-14 was adopted. Resolution 06-02-14 authorized the Secretary to dispose of or destroy obsolete records, listed in the resolution, as per the procedures for the destruction of Municipal Records outlined in the Municipal Records Manual of 2008. Roll call: Richard Celmer - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Steve Pany - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

REQUEST FOR WATCH CHILDREN SIGN REDWOOD DRIVE

The Board received a written request from Jonathan Bennett, on behalf of the residents on Redwood Drive, for a Watch Children or Children at Play sign to be installed. Upon motion by Ronald J. Heintzelman, seconded by Steve Pany, the Board tabled the request pending further review. Roll call: Richard Celmer - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Steve Pany - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

MANAGER'S REPORT

- Mr. Bartlett reported on the findings of the traffic study conducted at Mulberry Street and Oakland Road. The traffic engineer recommended installing a stop sign on Mulberry and removing the stop sign on Oakland, creating a T intersection. Temporary flashing lights and warning signs should be installed for 6 weeks. After much discussion Supervisor Pany stated the intersection should remain as is.
- PADOT will make sign changes along Route 873, from Route 329 to Star Automotive, in response to the recent pedestrian fatality.
- **MOTION** - Mr. Bartlett attended the annual NOVA Round-table discussion which focused on pending legislation regarding insurance reimbursements for ambulance services. Upon motion by Steve Pany, seconded by Ronald J. Heintzelman, the Board authorized the manager to send letters of support for these bills to local state legislators. Roll call: Richard Celmer - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Steve Pany - yes. There were no public comments on this item.
- Mr. Bartlett noted that a new community map will be produced.

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- In a Zoning Hearing Board update, Mr. Bartlett noted that the hearing regarding Tex's BBQ will be continued on June 12.
- The Ironton Rail Trail DEP final-phase application has been approved for completeness and DEP is currently conducting a technical review.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

No report.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR (Non-agenda items):

- Ronald Roth, Route 309, Schnecksville, inquired about the following issues: the status of the Selig heliport case, the flea market conducted on the Hunsicher Funeral property and requested the worn township flag be replaced.
- Jim Morris, Riverview Rd., Slatington, questioned the Board about the rusted corrugated pipe on Riverview and whether money was budgeted for repair and the rumors that PPL will be upgrading their high-voltage lines through the northeastern section of the township.
- Leonard Nuss, Old Post Rd., Coplay, noted that PPL will be upgrading the lines coming out of Egypt and he inquired if tent vendors had to get a permit to set up tents.
- Harold Smith, Park Valley Rd., Neffs, reported on a bear sighting at the Neffs Pool area.
- Ronald Roth, Route 309, Schnecksville, asked if permit fees for seasonal tent vendors could be increased. He feels they are taking sales away from local businesses.

COMMUNICATIONS

PSATS correspondence
CDL Testing Forms

ADJOURNMENT Meeting adjourned at 8:18 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Norder, Secretary/Treasurer