NORTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS NORTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING NOVEMBER 4, 2013

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 Mark Hills, Attorney Lisa A. Young, Manager Jeff Bartlett and Secretary/Treasurer Brenda Norder.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Upon motion by Steve Pany, seconded by Mark Hills, the minutes of the Board of Supervisors Meeting of October 7, 2013 were approved. Roll call: Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Steve Pany - yes; Mark Hills - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The Township Offices will be closed Thursday and Friday November 28th & 29th for the Thanksgiving holiday.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Upon motion by Mark Hills, seconded by Steve Pany, the October Treasurer's report and checks 7879-7980 were approved as presented. Roll call: Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Steve Pany - yes; Mark Hills - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

OLD BUSINESS:

PUBLIC HEARING CONTINUTATION CONDITIONAL USE STRAWBERRY FARMS ACTIVE ADULT RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITY

Chairman Heintzelman recessed the regular meeting in order to conduct a Public Hearing on the conditional use request of Strawberry Farms Active Adult Residential Community. The Applicant is proposing to construct an age restricted adult community on property located at 5077 Overlook Road.

Upon motion by Ronald J. Heintzelman, seconded by Steve Pany, the Board denied the Conditional Use request due to inconsistencies and non-compliance with various items in Ordinance 2006-2. Roll call: Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Steve Pany - yes; Mark Hills - yes.

A stenographer took testimony of the hearing; a copy of the transcript of the hearing shall be placed in the Minute Book.

Chairman Heintzelman resumed the regular meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

AWARD OF JOINT MUNICIPAL SALT BID

Upon motion by Steve Pany, seconded by Ronald J. Heintzelman, the Board awarded the contract for Sodium Chloride for the 2013/2014 seasons to Cargill Inc. at their bid price of \$52.61 per ton delivered as needed. This contract was bid by Heidelberg Township. The Township's primary source of sodium chloride will be through the state contract. Roll call: Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Steve Pany - yes; Mark Hills - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

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AUTHORIZE ADVERTISEMENT FOR APPOINTMENT OF CPA FIRM

Upon motion by Mark Hills, seconded by Steve Pany, the Board authorized the Secretary to advertise a notice that the North Whitehall Township Board of Supervisors intends to appoint the accounting firm of Buckno, Lisicky & Co. to conduct the North Whitehall Township Fiscal Year 2013 Audit. Roll call: Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Steve Pany - yes; Mark Hills – yes . There were no public comments on this item.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Bartlett reported on the following issues:

- He announced the Board has scheduled a second Board meeting on November 13, 2013 for the sole purpose of discussing the 2014 budget.
- He is making changes to the current burning ordinance and will have it ready for discussion at the December 7th board meeting.
- A new draft of the Jordan Greenbelt Agreement is under review.
- The Northern Lehigh Chamber of Commerce is selling a holiday ornament depicting the Schneck House as their annual fund raiser. The ornament may be purchased at various area businesses.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

No report

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:

- Charles Horwith, Schnecksville, inquired about the township's Cadillac medical plan.
- Ronald Roth, Route 309, Schnecksville, offered comments on the following: the ideas he submitted for a new ordinance regarding heliports, comments that were being made to the media by certain candidates, and the handling of township personnel issues.
- Karen Pfeiffer, Rising Sun Rd, Slatington, inquired about the status of the screening for the solar panels on Union Avenue and suggested the ordinance be amended to correct this issue for future installations.
- Nick Felegy, Tri Clover Rd., Orefield, inquired about the status of the boundary survey for the East Penn Trucking property.
- Harold Smith, Park Valley Rd., Neffs, queried the Board about Tex's BBQ signs.
- Madeline Watkins, Orefield, commented about the smoke and stench from Tex's BBQ.
- Jeanene Bauer, Jordan Rd., Orefield, reminded everyone to vote on Tuesday and asked how the solar panels were permitted if they did not meet the ordinance guidelines.
- Pat Tait, Route 309, Schnecksville, inquired if someone else would be allowed to submit a heliport plan for another area within the township.

COMMUNICATIONS

PSATS News Bulletin Wage Works Compliance Newsletter

ADJOURNMENT Meeting adjourned at 8:39 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Brenda Norder, Secretary/Treasurer