NORTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS NORTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING AUGUST 5, 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 Mark Hills, seconded by Steve Pany, the minutes of the Board of Supervisors Meeting of July 1, 2013 were approved. Roll call: Mark Hills - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Steve Pany - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. Phone book recycling will continue until August 16th. Residents may place unwanted phone books in a dumpster that will be located in front of the municipal building.
- 2. In order for the township staff to attend the Annual Summer Convention of the Lehigh County Association of Township Officials on August 9th, Township offices will be closed.
- 3. The Township Offices will be closed Monday, September 2nd for the Labor Day Holiday. Due to the holiday, the Board of Supervisors Meeting will be held on Monday, September 9th.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Upon motion by Mark Hills, seconded by Steve Pany, the July Treasurer's report and check register and checks 7693-7695 were approved as presented. Roll call: Mark Hills - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Steve Pany - 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 Rd.

Atty. Young noted that she had received correspondence from the applicant's attorney indicating that they are granting the Township an extension of time until October 31, 2013, in which to hold the first hearing on their Conditional Use Application beyond the 60-day initial period.

Upon motion by Steve Pany, seconded by Mark Hills, the Board continued the Hearing until September 17, 2013 at 7:00 PM. The meeting will be held at the Schnecksville Fire Company.

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.

• Leonard Nuss, Coplay ask to announce that the Planning Commission will meet on August 27 at the Schnecksville Fire Company at 7:30 PM.

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NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION 08-05-13 ACT 44 COMPLIANCE

Upon motion by Steve Pany, seconded by Mark Hills, the Board adopted Resolution 08-05-13. Resolution 08-05-13 adopted procedures for compliance with the professional service contract provisions of Act 44 with regard to pensions. - Roll call: Mark Hills - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Steve Pany - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Bartlett presented the following announcements:

- The contractor is anticipating the Sand Spring Rd and Rt. 309 intersection to open in approximately 2 weeks.
- Status updates on various PADOT and township road projects
- The Golf Course Road bridge will be repaired and paved this month.
- The 3rd draft of the Jordan Greenway Agreement was distributed to the Board for their review.
- Requested major project ideas from the Board for consideration in the 2014 budget preparations.
- Noted that Lehigh County Conservation District approved the erosion plan for the Ironton Rail Trail (IRT) application.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Atty. Young announced that the IRT easement agreement, regarding the parking lot on Portland Street, will be available before the next meeting and requested authorization for the execution of the agreement.

RESOLUTION 08-05-13A IRT-MASCARO EASEMENT AGREEMENT

Upon motion by Steve Pany, seconded by Mark Hills, the Board authorized the Chairman to execute the easement agreement with JP Mascaro at the time of its availability. Roll call: Mark Hills - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Steve Pany - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:

- Jeanene Bauer, Jordan Rd., Orefield, asked for a clarification regarding the Strawberry Farms time extension and if their submittals were open to the public.
- Nick Felegy, 2825 Tri Clover Rd., Orefield, inquired about the status of the forms submitted to the township last August regarding East Penn Trucking.
- Dan Nemeth, Coplay, informed the Board about severe erosion on the north side of Clearview Rd. between Egypt Rd. and Rt. 145.
- Nancy T., Clearview Rd., Coplay, asked if the Strawberry Farms submission met the deadline for the Planning Commission.
- Jim Morris, Riverview Rd., Slatington, clarified his prior meeting message regarding phonebooks and advertising materials thrown on properties by various businesses.
- Ronald Roth, Route 309, Schnecksville, inquired if the Mack chassis was being repaired.
- George Burizk, Route 309, Schnecksville, told the Board that he obtained a quote to fix Carl Street for \$16,000.00. He asked the Board for 2-3 loads of stone from township.
- Harold Smith, Park Valley Rd., Neffs, inquired about the status of the Park Valley Bridge.

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- Dan Nemeth, Coplay, asked if the Board gave any feedback on the Strawberry Farms Plan to cause them to resubmit.
- Rich Semmel, Clearview Rd., Coplay, asked if the township takes into consideration what will happen to township roads when a large development is proposed
- Jeanene Bauer, Jordan Rd., Orefield, inquired about the status of the Levans Road sewage treatment plans.

COMMUNICATIONS

PSATS training brochures & legal briefs
Pesticide Notification
Resignation letter from the Alternate Sewage Enforcement Officer Guy Bieber

ADJOURNMENT Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Brenda Norder, Secretary/Treasurer