## NORTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS NORTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING MAY 6. 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 April 1, 2013, and the Bid Opening Minutes of April 29, 2013 and May 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. A request for bids for in-place road work was advertised and bids will be publicly opened on May 15<sup>th</sup> at approximately 9 AM.
- 2. The Municipal Offices will be closed Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup> for the Memorial Day holiday.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Upon motion by Mark Hills, seconded by Steve Pany, the April Treasurer's report was 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:** No old business.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

## HADEED/HAHN LOT LINE ADJUSTMENT FINAL

Robert Hahn, presented the Hadeed/Hahn Roberts Lot Line Adjustment Plan to the Board.

Upon motion by Steve Pany, seconded by Mark Hills, the Board conditionally approved the Plan as a Final subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The Developer shall comply with all of the recommendations contained in the letter from the General Planning Engineer dated April 15, 2013.
- 2. Developer shall comply with all of the recommendations contained in the letter from the Sewage Enforcement Officer dated April 11, 2013.
- 3. The Developer shall comply with all of the recommendations contained in the letter from the Zoning Officer dated April 19, 2013.
- 4. The Developer shall comply with all of the recommendations of the Planning Commission Meetings of April 23, 2013.
- 6. The Developer shall comply with all of the provisions contained in the Planning Administrator's checklist letter dated April 29, 2013.

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

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#### SCHNECKSVILLE FAIR PARKING ISSUES

Fair Representative Karl Haas requested assistance from the Township regarding illegal parking issues and a pedestrian crosswalk during the Schnecksville Fair week, June 17-23. Upon motion by Steve Pany, seconded by Mark Hills, the Board approved the following:

- 1. The Township will post temporary No Parking signs on Old Packhouse Rd., Pennsylvania Dr., and Independence Dr. on the night of the fireworks;
- 2. Authorized the Fire Police to conduct traffic control operations at the fair, and;
- 3. Authorized the Fire Police to operate a pedestrian crosswalk on Old Packhouse Rd.

Roll call: Mark Hills - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - abstained; Steve Pany - yes.

Ronald Roth, Route 309, Schnecksville, asked who would enforce the no parking.

#### AWARD OF BID PROPANE FUEL

Upon motion by Steve Pany, seconded by Mark Hills, the contract for propane fuel was awarded to Spectrum Propane (Sharp) at their low bid price. Roll call: Mark Hills - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Steve Pany - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

#### AWARD OF BID USED EQUIPMENT

Upon motion by Steve Pany, seconded by Mark Hills, the Board awarded the following used equipment to the high bidders:

Dixie Chopper MowerBoyd Borger\$1,700.01Stone RakeMike Venziano601.00JD 401 TractorMike Venziano5,251.00Rotary MowerAndrea Semmel-Lazarus435.00

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

### **AUTHORIZATION TO DISTRIBUTE NOVA ALLOCATION**

Upon motion by Ronald J. Heintzelman, seconded by Steve Pany, the Treasurer is authorized to distribute the budgeted allocation of \$48,000.00 to the Northern Valley Ambulance Services. Roll call: Mark Hills - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Steve Pany - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

## RESOLUTION 05-06-13 ACT 44 COMPLIANCE

Tabled for further review.

#### HIGHWAY OCCUPANCY PERMIT EXTENSION OF TIME WALMART LAND DEVELOPMENT

Newton Engineering submitted an application for a highway occupancy permit extension of time for the Walmart Land Development, as it pertained to storm sewers. Upon motion by Steve Pany, seconded by Mark Hills, the Board authorized the Chairman to sign the application for time extension.

Roll call: Mark Hills - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Steve Pany - yes.

Ronald Roth, Route 309, Schnecksville, inquired about the construction status of Wal-Mart.

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#### REQUEST FOR EXONERATION FROM COLLECTION OF STREET LIGHT ASSESSMENT

Upon motion by Steve Pany, seconded by Mark Hills, the Board granted the request from Susan Gelinas and exonerated the Tax Collector from the collection of the street light assessment for the following PADOT property:

4542 Route 309 2013 \$ 37.00

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

### **MANAGER'S REPORT**

• RESOLUTION 05-06-13A DIRECT PAY BILL SUPPORT NOVA
Upon motion by Steve Pany, seconded by Ronald J. Heintzelman, the Board adopted
Resolution 05-06-13A. Resolution 05-06-13A ratifies the Board's support for proposed
legislation HB179, SB393 and SB822 regarding a Direct Pay Bill, allowing medical
insurances to directly pay the Ambulance Corp for services instead of the insured and
authorized the Manager to submit letters of support to local members of the State House
and Senate. Roll call: Mark Hills - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Steve Pany - yes.
There were no public comments on this item.

#### GOLF COURSE BRIDGE REPAIR

Upon motion by Steve Pany, seconded by Ronald J. Heintzelman, the Board authorized the Manager to advertise for bids for the replacement of the damaged wing wall on the Golf Course Road Bridge. Roll call: Mark Hills - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Steve Pany - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

- Mr. Bartlett presented an update on the Route 309/Sand Spring /Orchard Road construction project.
- An update on the Ironton Rail Trail bid project was also presented. The township's IRT
  representative Ray Deutsch introduced the IRT board members. Mr. Deutsch and Bruce
  Stettler questioned the Board about the review of the plans and their desire to be included
  in the process. A discussion ensued regarding easement issues, and paving and bid
  schedules.
  - Harold Smith, 5526 Park Valley Rd., Neffs, inquired when something will be done to the walking path in the Neffs Valley Park.

### **SOLICITOR'S REPORT - No report.**

## **COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR (Non-agenda items):**

- Nick Felegy, 2825 Tri Clover Rd., Orefield, questioned the accuracy of the property line stake at East Penn Trucking.
- Len Nuss, Coplay, inquired about the earth moving activity at Sporting Clays.
- Kathy Small, 4235 Coplay Creek Rd., presented a petition to the Board requesting a speed limit reduction on Coplay Creek Rd.
- Gene Wolfgang, Orefield, asked if there would be a township-wide clean-up and announced the Upper Lehigh Lions' Barbeque would be held on May 18<sup>th</sup>.

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- Jeanene Bauer, 3216 Jordan Rd., Orefield, requested an update on the progress of the proposed Act 537 plan.
- Ronald Roth, Route 309, Schnecksville, asked if the Voices of the Jordan will continue their lawsuit against the township now that a new plan is being considered.
- George Burizk, Marion Snyder, Ken Muth and Jennifer Germanton, all of Route 309, Schnecksville, presented the board with a petition requesting their private alley (Carl Street) be repaired. Complaints about illegal businesses, traffic from established businesses and the issue of ownership of the alley were discussed.
- Mike Kondravy, 3615 Levans Rd, Allentown, inquired about the status of fixing the sound system.
- Ray Deutsch, Coplay, thanked the Board for allowing his group to be involved with the review process of the IRT plans.

#### COMMUNICATIONS

Benecon Health Newsletter PADOT Newsletter Blue Cross Newsletter

**ADJOURNMENT** Meeting adjourned at 9:12 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Brenda Norder, Secretary/Treasurer