

**NORTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
NORTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING
SEPTEMBER 8, 2014**

Chairman Ronald J. Heintzelman called the meeting to order at 7:35 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 August 4, 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 annual Senior Activity Day will be held September 18th at the Schnecksville Fire Co. Pavilion.
2. Community Preparedness Day will be held at the St. Luke's campus in South Whitehall Township on September 20th, from 11 AM to 4 PM.
3. The annual Laurys Station Community Day will be held at the Laurys Station Fire House Park on September 20th, at 2 PM.
4. The Board held an Executive Session on September 8, 2014 to discuss personnel matters.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Upon motion by Steve Pany, seconded by Richard Celmer, the August Treasurer's report and the check register of checks # 8919-9019 were approved as presented. Roll call: Richard Celmer - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Steve Pany - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

OLD BUSINESS:

Atty. Young noted that the Planning Commission has made 1 recommendation for a zoning change. Action on that change will wait until more are forthcoming.

NEW BUSINESS:

ORDINANCE 2014-1 INTER-MUNICIPAL LIQUOR LICENSE TRANSFER

Supervisor Heintzelman recessed the regular meeting in order to conduct a Public Hearing to hear comments on the proposed Ordinance 2014-1. Ordinance 2014-1 represents the request of Ranger Rod & Gun Club to transfer a club & catering license from Lower Milford Township Fire Company No. 1. Atty. Young noted that the Ordinance was duly advertised and gave a brief synopsis of Ordinance 2014-1

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

Upon motion by Steve Pany, seconded by Ronald J. Heintzelman, the Board adopted Ordinance 2014-1. Roll call: Richard Celmer - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Steve Pany - yes.

CUADRADO REVISED PLAN

Mr. Bartlett advised the Board about the revised Cuadrado Minor Subdivision. The revision will transfer ownership of an unbuildable parcel Lot 2, parcel 2 from Lot 2 to Lot 1. Upon motion by Steve Pany, seconded by Richard Celmer, the Plan was approved with the following condition:

- The developer shall improve the parcel identification on the plan. Roll call: Richard Celmer - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Steve Pany - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

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**RESOLUTION 09-08-14 TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT AGREEMENT
WYNNEWOOD PUMP STATION LEHIGH COUNTY AUTHORITY**

Lance Babbitt, Lehigh County Authority, gave a brief synopsis of LCA's request. Upon motion by Steve Pany, seconded by Richard Celmer, the Board approved Resolution 09-08-14. Resolution 09-08-14 conveys a temporary construction easement to LCA, in lands of North Whitehall Township, as it pertains to the replacement of the Wynnewood Terrace pump station. Roll call: Richard Celmer - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Steve Pany - yes.

- Dan Nemeth, Clearview Rd., Coplay, inquired if this would expand the current capacity.
- Mark Hills, Laurys Station, noted that the developer installed the system cheaply and this will make it better.

**RESOLUTION 09-08-14A PERMANENT EASEMENT AGREEMENT
WYNNEWOOD PUMP STATION LEHIGH COUNTY AUTHORITY**

Lance Babbitt, Lehigh County Authority, gave a brief synopsis of LCA's request. Upon motion by Steve Pany, seconded by Richard Celmer, the Board approved Resolution 09-08-14A. Resolution 09-08-14A conveys a permanent easement to LCA, in lands of North Whitehall Township, as it pertains to the access and maintenance of the Wynnewood Terrace pump station. Roll call: Richard Celmer - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Steve Pany - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

BROOKHILL ESTATES LOT CONSOLIDATION LOTS 7 & 8

Mike Gula, Julie Gross and James Hoffman presented the Brookhill Lot Consolidation Plan to the Board. Upon motion by Steve Pany, seconded by Richard Celmer, the Board approved the Plan 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 August 21, 2014.
2. Developer shall comply with all of the recommendations contained in the letter from the Sewage Enforcement Officer dated August 21, 2014.
3. The Developer shall comply with all of the recommendations contained in the letter from the Zoning Officer dated August 21, 2014.
4. The Developer shall comply with all of the recommendations of the Planning Commission Meetings of August 26, 2014.
6. The Developer shall comply with all of the provisions contained in the Planning Administrator's checklist letter dated September 4, 2014.
7. The property owners shall provide a defined roadside storm water swale along Riverview Road at the north end of the property to the inlet on Lot 7, approximately 6 inches deep and approximately 6 feet wide, as necessary.
8. No building permit will be issued until Township approval and dedication of the access easement (offered by Neffs Bank) to the Township and driveway construction grading is completed to the outfall.

Roll call: Richard Celmer - no; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Steve Pany - yes.

- Lou Rauch, Lehigh Engineering Assoc., suggested the township obtain an improvements agreement from the Bank instead of holding up the home owners
- Len Nuss, Coplay, noted that the creation of the easement has nothing to do with the lot consolidation request.

PARKLAND HOLLOW & WM HALE LOT LINE ADJUSTMENT

Mike Gula and Matt Sorrentino presented the Parkland Hollow and Wm Hale Lot Line Adjustment Plan to the Board. Upon motion by Steve Pany, seconded by Richard Celmer, the Board approved the Plan subject to the following conditions:

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PARKLAND HOLLOW & WM HALE

LOT LINE ADJUSTMENT continued . . .

1. The Developer shall comply with all of the recommendations contained in the letter from the General Planning Engineer dated August 21, 2014.
2. Developer shall comply with all of the recommendations contained in the letter from the Sewage Enforcement Officer dated August 21, 2014.
3. The Developer shall comply with all of the recommendations contained in the letter from the Zoning Officer dated August 21, 2014.
4. The Developer shall comply with all of the recommendations of the Planning Commission Meetings of August 26, 2014.
6. The Developer shall comply with all of the provisions contained in the Planning Administrator's checklist letter dated September 4, 2014.
7. The Developer shall add an additional note to the Plan regarding the maintenance responsibility until the sedimentation basin is converted to a detention basin.
8. The Developer shall place a note on the Plan that the owner of Lot 1 is ultimately responsible for the maintenance of the storm sewer along the west side of Lot 1.

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

KIDSPACE PLAN DEVELOPMENT SCHEDULE

Atty. Andrew Burke gave a brief explanation of the annual update of the schedule of improvements with regard to the KidsPeace phased-development plan (approved August 19, 1998, revised August 3, 2005). Upon motion by Steve Pany, seconded by Richard Celmer, the annual update of the schedule of improvements was approved. A copy will be placed in the minute book. Roll call: Richard Celmer - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Steve Pany - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

WELL ISOLATION DISTANCE EXEMPTION & GROUNDWATER STUDY WAIVER REQUEST

Sewage Enforcement Officer, Scott Bieber submitted a letter dated August 21, 2014, to the Board, requesting a well isolation distance exemption and groundwater study waiver for Dennis Rothrock, 3521 Route 309, be granted. Upon motion by Steve Pany, seconded by Richard Celmer, the Board granted the well-sewage system isolation distance exemption and groundwater waiver request. Roll call: Richard Celmer - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Steve Pany - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

AUTHORIZATION TO DISTRIBUTE BUDGETED ALLOCATIONS EMS & SR. CLUBS

Supervisor Heintzelman made a statement noting that he would abstain from voting due to a potential conflict as he is a member of one of the fire companies.

Upon motion by Steve Pany, seconded by Richard Celmer, the Treasurer was authorized to distribute the 2014 budgeted allocations to the Emergency Service Organizations and the Senior Citizens as follows:

Each fire company	\$30,000.00
Friedens fire company	750.00 one time allocation
NOVA	49,023.86 (-976.14 reimbursement owed twp)
ESO	4,000.00
Schnecksville Senior Citizens	950.00
Laurys Station Keen-agers	700.00

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

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REIMBURSEMENT FOR ATTENDING PLANNING SEMINAR

Upon motion by Steve Pany, seconded by Richard Celmer, the Board approved reimbursement of the registration fee (\$332.00) and mileage for Planning Commission member Joanne Guth to attend the PA chapter of the American Planning Association's annual conference. 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 noted he was in the process of drafting the 2015 budget.
- There will not be a Zoning Hearing Board meeting in September as the applicant granted the board a 6-month time waiver.
- Mr. Bartlett presented an update on the proposed rental property ordinance.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

- Atty. Young presented the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 09-08-14B

Upon motion by Steve Pany, seconded by Richard Celmer, the Board adopted Resolution 09-08-14B. Resolution 09-08-14B accepts dedication of Right-of-Way along Echo and Rising Sun Roads, located in the lands of the Estate of Edward Klusaritz. Roll call: Richard Celmer - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Steve Pany - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR (Non-agenda items):

- Nick Felegy, Tri Clover Rd., Orefield, noted that the Board seemed tough on the easement issue but is lax when it comes to his issue.
- Mark Hills, Laurys Station, requested a 15 MPH speed limit sign and a Recreation Area sign be placed on his road. He also noted that one property owner is posting illegal No Parking signs along the road.
- Ronald Roth, Rt 309, Schnecksville, inquired about the sewer plant status and the Hunsicker flea market. He also asked Mrs. Bauer if the Voice of the Jordan group was planning on helping to preserve the Wehr's Dam.
- Rich Semmel, Clearview Rd., Coplay, asked who would own the sewer plant.
- Jim Morris, Riverview Rd., Slatington, questioned the Board about the repair of the rusted corrugated pipe on Riverview.
- Sterling Geiger, Grey Wolf Lane, Orefield, suggested a partnership between North and South Whitehall Townships to run a year round recreation area using the old West End Racquet Club.

ADJOURNMENT Meeting adjourned at 9:17 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Norder, Secretary/Treasurer