

**NORTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
NORTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING
MARCH 15, 2011**

Chairman Ronald E. Stahley called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and roll call. In attendance were Supervisors Ronald E. Stahley, Jerry Joseph, Ronald J. Heintzelman, Attorney Lisa Young and Secretary/Treasurer Brenda Norder.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Upon motion by Ronald J. Heintzelman, seconded by Jerry Joseph, the minutes of the following meetings were approved as presented: 1. March 1, 2011, Board of Supervisors Meeting. Roll call: Jerry Joseph - yes; Ronald E. Stahley - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman -yes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Tires will not be accepted for recycling until April 1st, 2011
2. An aide from Senator Browne's office will meet with residents in the public meeting room, on Thursday, April 7th, from 9 AM to 1 PM to answer questions about and provide assistance in completing the 2010 Property Tax/Rent Rebate applications.
3. Congressman Dent will be hosting a Town Hall for township residents in the public meeting room, on Friday, April 8th, from 10 to 11 AM.
4. The Municipal Offices will be closed Friday, April 22nd for Good Friday.
5. Supervisor Stahley noted that the flag was at half-staff in honor of Frank Buckles, last WW I veteran, who passed away at age 110.
6. Supervisor Stahley also noted the passing of former Recreation Board member James Knerr.
7. The Elected Auditor position that is open this year is that of Atty. Dimmich's, who ran to fulfill the unexpired term of Ron Gildner.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE:

- Ronald Roth, Schnecksville, commented on the Township's position regarding the Conditional Use /Wal-Mart issue being upheld in the Commonwealth Court.
- Ed Zeigler, Slatington, reported tree branches hanging low along Route 309 near Hall's Auction.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Upon motion by Jerry Joseph, seconded by Ronald E. Stahley, the February Treasurer's report was approved as presented and the Treasurer was authorized to disburse checks #4702-4750. Roll call: Jerry Joseph - yes; Ronald E. Stahley - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman -yes.

- Chris Moakley, Coplay, inquired about the designated unreserved balance.

OLD BUSINESS: No Old business.

NEW BUSINESS:

AUTHORIZE PAYMENT TO PPL

Upon motion by Jerry Joseph, seconded by Ronald J. Heintzelman, the Board authorized the Treasurer to disburse payment to PPL, in the amount of \$180,000.00, toward outstanding invoices. Roll call: Jerry Joseph - yes; Ronald E. Stahley - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman -yes.

- Brian Neas, Schnecksville, asked what is the total to be paid.
- Chris Moakley, Coplay, noted the dollar amount should be part of the motion.

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YOUWAKIM MINOR REDUCTION OF IMPROVEMENTS ESCROW

Upon motion by Ronald J. Heintzelman, seconded by Jerry Joseph, the Board accepted the written recommendation of the General Planning Engineer Stephen Gitch, dated March 11, 2011 and authorized the release of \$ 15,800.00 from the Improvements Escrow Account of Gus Youwakim, leaving a balance of \$ 31,600.00 in the account. Roll call: Jerry Joseph - yes; Ronald E. Stahley - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman -yes. There were no public comments on this item.

**ADVERTISE FOR BIDS ROAD MATERIALS, IN-PLACE JOBS, EQUIPMENT RENTAL,
LAND RENTAL AND PROPANE**

Upon motion by Ronald J. Heintzelman, seconded by Jerry Joseph, the Secretary is authorized to advertise, as needed, for Road Materials, In-Place Jobs, Equipment Rental, Tillable Land Rental and Propane bids for the year 2011. Roll call: Jerry Joseph - yes; Ronald E. Stahley - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman -yes. There were no public comments on this item.

RESOLUTION 03-15-11 LAND PURCHASE

Upon motion by Jerry Joseph, seconded by Ronald J. Heintzelman, the Board adopted Resolution 03-15-11. Resolution 03-15-11 approved the purchase of recreation land of 3.36 acres, owned by Ed and Renee Schlecter, along Carl Street. Roll call: Jerry Joseph - yes; Ronald E. Stahley - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman -yes.

- Brian Neas, Schnecksville, asked if the owner or the township would clean up the property.
- Barbara Burke, Orefield, asked how would the land be used.
- Chris Moakley, Coplay, asked what is the net cost to the township after the grant.

COMPOST FACILITY MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Upon motion by Ronald J. Heintzelman, seconded by Jerry Joseph, the Chairman was authorized to sign a Memorandum of Understanding, being created by several municipalities, with regard to the Lehigh County Compost Facility issue. Roll call: Jerry Joseph - yes; Ronald E. Stahley - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman -yes.

- Ronald Roth, Schnecksville; Leonard Nuss, Coplay; Ricky Haring, Schnecksville; and Ed Moakley, Coplay made inquiries and comments regarding this issue, discussion ensued.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

- Leonard Nuss, Coplay, inquired about the status of Harvest Place and if the paving was going to be bid.

COMMUNICATIONS Thank you card from the UL Historical Society

ADJOURNMENT Meeting adjourned at 8:08 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Norder, Secretary