

**NORTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MUNICIPAL BUILDING
OCTOBER 18, 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 Jerry Joseph, Ronald J. Heintzelman, Attorney Lisa Young, and Secretary/Treasurer Brenda Norder.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Upon motion by Jerry Joseph, seconded by Ronald J. Heintzelman, the minutes of the following meetings were approved as presented: 1. October 4, 2011, Board of Supervisors Meeting. Roll call: Jerry Joseph - yes; Ronald E. Stahley - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman -yes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Township trick or treat night will be held on Friday, October 28th from 6-8 PM, no rain date.
2. Atty. Young noted that an Executive session was held on October 11, 2011 to discuss matters of Real Estate and on October 17 & 18, 2011 for union negotiations.
3. Supervisor Stahley noted that a switch was installed on the water fountain and a wireless mike was added to the dais.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Upon motion by Ronald J. Heintzelman, seconded by Jerry Joseph, the Treasurer was authorized to disburse checks # 5434-5481. Roll call: Jerry Joseph - yes; Ronald E. Stahley - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman -yes. There were no public comments on this item.

OLD BUSINESS:

INTER-MUNICIPAL LIQUOR LICENSE TRANSFER

Supervisors Stahley and Heintzelman made statements noting that they would abstain from voting due to a potential conflict as both are members/officers of one of the fire companies. After stating the potential conflict and their wish to abstain from voting, a quorum would not have been met to act on the motion, therefore;

Upon motion by Jerry Joseph, seconded by Ronald E. Stahley, the Board authorized the Solicitor to advertise for a hearing, on December 6, 2011, regarding an Inter-municipal Liquor License Transfer for the Community Fire Company #1. The date was changed to allow the Ethics Commission time to forward their report. Roll call: Jerry Joseph - yes; Ronald E. Stahley - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman -yes.

- Ricky Harring, Schnecksville, stated he thought the original date gave them enough time.

NEW BUSINESS:

SCENIC VISTAS SUBDIVISION

REVISED FINAL

Tony Ganguzza presented the Scenic Vistas Subdivision Plan to the Board. Upon motion by Jerry Joseph, seconded by Ronald J. Heintzelman, the Plan was approved as a Revised 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 September 21, 2011.
2. Developer shall comply with all of the recommendations contained in the letter from the Sewage Enforcement Officer dated September 22, 2011.
3. The Developer shall comply with all of the recommendations contained in the letter from the Zoning Officer dated September 22, 2011.
4. The Developer shall comply with all of the recommendations contained in the letter from the Traffic Engineer dated September 19, 2011.

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5. The Developer shall comply with all of the recommendations of the Planning Commission Meeting of September 27, 2011.
6. The Developer shall comply with all of the provisions contained in the Planning Administrator's checklist letter dated September 29, 2011.
7. The Developer shall contribute \$ 2,800.00 to the Traffic Impact Fund
8. The Developer shall contribute \$ 35,000.00 to the Recreation Fund.
9. A letter dated October 3, 2011 from Lehigh Valley Planning Commission noted concerns regarding the steep slopes.

Roll call: Jerry Joseph - yes; Ronald E. Stahley - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman -yes. There were no public comments on this item.

STREET LIGHT ASSESSMENT EXONERATION REQUEST

In a letter dated September 21, 2011, Nuss Enterprises, Inc. requested exoneration from the street light assessment on a Timberidge parcel that contains a detention pond. Upon motion by Jerry Joseph, seconded by Ronald E. Stahley, the request was denied. Roll call: Jerry Joseph - yes; Ronald E. Stahley - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman -yes.

- Donald Steffy, Coplay, offered clarification on the description of the lot.
- Ronald Roth, Schnecksville, asked if there was a drainage ditch near the road.

SERVICE PROCLAMATION JOHN DRABIC

The Board of Supervisors issued a proclamation in honor of John Drabic for his years of service to the Recreation Board.

AUTHORIZE ADVERTISEMENT YARD WASTE DISPOSAL BIDS

Upon motion by Ronald J. Heintzelman, seconded by Jerry Joseph, the Secretary is authorized to advertise for yard waste disposal for the year 2012. Roll call: Jerry Joseph - yes; Ronald E. Stahley - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman -yes.

- Richard Getz, Coplay, stated he still sees vehicles heading to the township-recycling center, coming from South Whitehall.

REQUEST TO USE FIRE POLICE

Upon motion by Ronald J. Heintzelman, seconded by Jerry Joseph, the request to use the North Whitehall Fire Police on Sunday, October 23rd, from 9 AM to noon, for the Delaware and Lehigh Heritage Marathon in Laurys Station was approved. A Certificate of Liability Insurance was presented. Roll call: Jerry Joseph - yes; Ronald E. Stahley - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman -yes. There were no public comments on this item.

REQUEST TO PURSUE JUDGEMENTS & COMPLIANCE

Zoning Officer Ken Nicholson submitted a request that the Board authorize the Solicitor to initiate legal proceedings to collect judgments and to take the necessary legal steps to bring these properties into compliance with the terms of the issues. The properties are East Penn Trucking and Marguerite Huber at 3955 Portland Street, Coplay. Upon motion by Ronald J. Heintzelman, seconded by Jerry Joseph, the Board authorized the Solicitor to proceed with the request to collect judgments owed and to bring the properties into compliance. Roll call: Jerry Joseph - yes; Ronald E. Stahley - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman -yes. There were no public comments on this item

BUDGET DISCUSSION

Preliminary budget discussions were held.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE:

- Joe Kuleski, Cassidy Drive, Schnecksville, was of the opinion that street light assessment should be done by front footage rather than the current method.
- Ed Zeigler, Slatington, stated a street light at Rt. 873 and Park Ave. was out and that broken tree branches were hanging on Route 309 in the vicinity of the auction.
- Ronald Roth, Schnecksville, commented on various issues as follows; the proceedings at the previous Zoning Hearing Board meeting, employee breaks, the Neffs pool, and the time limit for noise allowed by the ordinance.
- Ricky Haring, Schnecksville, inquired about the number of December meetings.

COMMUNICATIONS

Training Brochures
Connect Care 3 newsletter
Palmerton Bank Audit Conformations

ADJOURNMENT Meeting adjourned at 9:14 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Norder, Secretary/Treasurer