NORTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
NORTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING
JULY 1, 2019

Chairman Ronald J. Heintzelman called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence. In attendance were Supervisors Mark Hills and Dennis Klusaritz, Attorney Lisa A. Young, and Secretary/Treasurer Brenda Norder.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES
Upon motion by Mark Hills, seconded by Dennis Klusaritz, the minutes of the Board of Supervisors Meeting of June 3, 2019 were approved. Roll call: Mark Hills - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Dennis Klusaritz - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

ANNOUNCEMENTS
1. The Township Offices will be closed Thursday, July 4th for the Independence Day holiday.
2. In order for the township staff to attend the Annual Summer Convention of the Lehigh County Association of Township Officials on August 2nd, Township offices will be closed.
3. Boy Scout Jaden Barasch, from Troop 57, attended the meeting as a requirement toward earning the Citizenship in the Community merit badge.
4. An executive session was held June 4, 2019, to discuss personnel matters.

TREASURER'S REPORT
Upon motion by Mark Hills, seconded by Dennis Klusaritz, the June Treasurer's report and checks #14293-14378 were approved as presented. Roll call: Mark Hills - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Dennis Klusaritz - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

OLD BUSINESS: No Old Business.

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION 07-01-19
Upon motion by Mark Hills, seconded by Dennis Klusaritz, the Board adopted Resolution 07-01-19. Resolution 07-01-19 amends Resolution 01-07-19 by amending the fee schedule regarding filing fees for land development projects. Roll call: Mark Hills - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Dennis Klusaritz - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

RELEASE OF ESCROWS FOR LEGAL & ENGINEERING ZUBER
After consultation with the Solicitor and the General Planning Engineer, Secretary/Treasurer Brenda Norder recommended the following escrow for legal and engineering be returned:

Paradise Road $ 5,757.50

Upon motion by Dennis Klusaritz, seconded by Mark Hills, the Board authorized the Treasurer to return the escrow balance. Roll call: Mark Hills - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Dennis Klusaritz - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF SUBMISSION TIME NORTH VALLEY TRADE CENTER

Matt Nunn, on behalf of the North Valley Trade Center Land Development, submitted a written request that the Board grant a waiver from the submission date requirement in order that they may be placed on the agenda for the Planning Commission Meeting on July 23. Upon motion by Mark Hills, seconded by Dennis Klusaritz, the Board granted the request. Roll call: Mark Hills - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Dennis Klusaritz - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

APPLICATION TO JOIN NORTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP AGRICULTURAL SECURITY AREA

The Secretary received the following proposal for addition to the North Whitehall Township Agricultural Security Area:

Theodore Dean, Jr. and Thomas Dean in lands along Coffeetown and Sand Spring Rds. for a total of 85.6181 acres

FAIRLAND FARMS III EXTENSION OF TIME

Upon motion by Dennis Klusaritz, seconded by Mark Hills, the Board accepted an extension of time, until October 11, 2019, in order for the Board to review the Subdivision Plan of Fairland Farms III. Roll call: Mark Hills - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Dennis Klusaritz - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

REQUEST TO CLOSE PORTION OF ROAD

A written request was received from 3 Daisy Avenue families to close a portion of Daisy Avenue for a neighborhood picnic on July 27 between 3-8 PM. Upon motion by Mark Hills, seconded by Dennis Klusaritz, the Board approved the request contingent on the property owner securing and submitting a certificate of insurance for the event. Roll call: Mark Hills - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Dennis Klusaritz - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

RECREATION ALLOCATIONS

Upon motion by Mark Hills, seconded by Dennis Klusaritz, the Board accepted the recommendation of the Recreation Board and authorized the distribution of the following 2019 budgeted allocations to 3 organizations:

Orefield Athletic Association	$ 3,000.00
Neffs Playground Association	1,500.00
Schnecksville Playground Association	4,500.00

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

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Atty. Young requested a motion from the Board to affirm the Board's decision to terminate Jeff Bartlett, as manager, effective June 4, 2019. Upon motion by Ronald J. Heintzelman, seconded by Dennis Klusaritz, the Board affirmed the termination action. Roll call: Mark Hills - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Dennis Klusaritz - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

Atty. Young announced an executive session would be held after the meeting in order to discuss personnel matters.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR'S REPORT:
PW Director Rich Deemer reported on the following:

- new street signage was installed;
- the crews completed prep work for paving projects;
- mowing, street sweeping and weed control is on-going;
- the crew has completed the IRT pavilion and has started on the pavilion at Laurys Station Park; and
- updated the Board on the Hill Street subsidence issue.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR (Non-agenda items):

- Barry Wexler, Brian & Michele Landis and Glenn Pryor, of Buchanan St., and Betty Lipko, Lincoln Street, Coplay, informed the Board of the unacceptable conditions of 3957 Buchanan St. and expressed their concerns about property values, pest control, noise harassment and requested the township enforce cleanup of the property.
- Sauro Salsi, Daisy Avenue, Orefield, suggested asking the State Police why they do not address the situation when they are called.
- Richard Getz, Mauch Chunk Rd., Coplay, spoke about lowering the speed limit on Mauch Chunk Rd., installing "no brake retarder" signs and reported his neighbor installed fences without proper permits.
- Ron Roth, Rt 309, Schnecksville, informed the Board of high weeds, thistles and no property maintenance on property at 5335 Route 309.
- Leonard Nuss, Old Post Rd., Coplay, inquired about the status of Balliet Street road work.
- Jim Steward, Park Avenue, Neffs, reported that the Junior Firefighter Academy Camp was a success and thanked the Board for the township funding.

ADJOURNMENT Meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Norder, Secretary/Treasurer