NORTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
NORTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING
JUNE 3, 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, Manager Jeff Bartlett 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 Meetings of May 6th, 2019 and the Bid Opening Minutes of May 30th, 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.

TREASURER'S REPORT
Upon motion by Mark Hills, seconded by Dennis Klusaritz, the May Treasurer's report and checks #14193-14292 were approved as presented. Roll call: Mark Hills - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Dennis Klusaritz - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

EAGLE SCOUT PRESENTATION
Scout Malachi Yost, of Troop 242, gave a presentation to the Board describing his proposed project for his Eagle Scout rank. Mr. Yost proposed to clean, repair and restore the abandoned cemetery at the site of the former Ebenezer Evangelical Church in Schnecksville. Upon motion by Mark Hills, seconded by Dennis Klusaritz, the Board gave their approval to the plan. 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:

Supervisor Heintzelman recessed the regular meeting in order to conduct a Public Hearing to hear comments on the following proposed Ordinance.

ORDINANCE 2019-3 PROPERTY MAINTENANCE
Ordinance 2019-3 outlines the conditions and maintenance of all property, buildings and structures; by providing standards and conditions essential to ensure that structures are safe, sanitary and fit for occupation and use and amending Ord. 2010-2. Atty. Young noted that the Ordinance was duly advertised and gave a brief synopsis of Ordinance 2019-3. A stenographer recorded the proceedings; a copy of the transcript of the hearing shall be placed in the Minute Book. Upon motion by Mark Hills, seconded by Dennis Klusaritz, the Board adopted Ordinance 2019-3. Roll call: Mark Hills - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Dennis Klusaritz - yes.

Supervisor Heintzelman resumed the regular meeting.

RAYAN ESTATES WAIVER REQUESTS

Kevin Fruck, representing the Rayan Estates Plan, requested the following waivers:

Waiver 1. The plan is viewed as a Final as well as a Preliminary, waiving Sects. 5.03/ 6.03.B.11.

Waiver 2. Natural features within 200' of the site, Sects.5.03/6.03D.

Upon motion by Mark Hills, seconded by Dennis Klusaritz, the waivers were granted. Roll call: Mark Hills - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Dennis Klusaritz - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

RAYAN ESTATES PRELIMINARY/FINAL

Kevin Fruck presented the Rayan Estates Plan to the Board. Upon motion by Mark Hills, seconded by Dennis Klusaritz, the Plan was approved as a Preliminary/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 March 15, 2019.
2. Developer shall comply with all of the recommendations contained in the letter from the Sewage Enforcement Officer dated March 20, 2019.
3. The Developer shall comply with all of the recommendations contained in the letter from the Zoning Officer dated March 13, 2019.
4. The Developer shall comply with all of the recommendations of the Planning Commission Meeting of March 26, 2019.
5. The Developer shall comply with all of the provisions contained in the Planning Secretary's checklist letter date May 7, 2019.
6. The Developer shall contribute $200.00 to the Traffic Impact Fund.
7. The Developer shall contribute $2,500.00 to the Recreation Fund.

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

ANOOPAM MISSION REMOVE HYDRANT REQUEST

A request dated May 21, 2019 was received from the Trustee of the Anoopam Mission. They are requesting approval from the Board of Supervisors to remove a fire hydrant currently on their property, thus eliminating an annual expense. It was noted that other hydrants are located on either side of their property. Upon motion by Mark Hills, seconded by Dennis Klusaritz, the Board tabled the request. Roll call: Mark Hills - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Dennis Klusaritz - yes.

- Ron Stahley, Shawnee Blvd., Schnecksville stated their insurance carrier may have input on this issue.
- Leonard Nuss, Old Post Rd., Coplay, stated there may a problem getting water uphill to the mission from the other 2 hydrants.

AWARD OF BID PROPANE FUEL

Upon motion by Mark Hills, seconded by Dennis Klusaritz, the contract for 2019-2020 propane fuel was awarded to EF Laudenslager at their low bid price of $ .9759/gallon. Roll call: Mark Hills - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Dennis Klusaritz - yes. There were no public comments on this item.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Bartlett reported the following:

- The Farmland/Open Space Preservation referendum was approved and the tax increase will take effect in 2020.
- Road maintenance projects have begun.
- The Ironton Rail Trail Commission will hold a dedication ceremony on June 9 for the new trail head pavilion at 9:30 AM.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

No report.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR (Non-agenda items):

- Leonard Nuss, Old Post Rd., Coplay, inquired about the status of Balliet Street road work and the burned-out mobile home on Mauch Chuck Rd.
- Richard Townsend, Kirk St., Slatington, asked if the hearings under the new property maintenance ordinance will be public and how will residents be notified.
- Richard Getz, Mauch Chunk Rd., Coplay, noted the barn near the turnpike on Belview Road is falling down and that bike riders using the rail trail do not walk their bikes across Mauch Chunk Road.
- Dennis Strong, Red Maple Dr., Coplay, suggested using a sign similar to the one on Quarry Street that drivers should yield to pedestrians.
- Jim Morris, Riverview Rd., Slatington, stated he will be submitting his application to name 4 township streams to the Federal Government. He will submit the proposed township resolution at a later date.
- Dave Conner, Quarry St., Coplay, inquired about the water running down Creekside Drive, where is it coming from and why is it allowed.
- Joan Strong, Red Maple Dr., Coplay, asked how the building of homes was approved if it was known there was a water problem in Creekside Drive.
- Ron Stahley, Shawnee Blvd., Schnecksville, announced the following: The Community Fair will be held June 18-24; the Jr. Fire Academy starts in June; and the Lehigh Valley Zoo will hold a Community Day on July 13 featuring Emergency Services Organizations.

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

ADJOURNMENT Meeting adjourned at 8:38 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Norder, Secretary/Treasurer