

**NEW HANOVER TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
APRIL 14, 2014**

The regular monthly meeting of the New Hanover Township Board of Supervisors was held on Monday, April 14, 2014 at the New Hanover Township Municipal Building, 2943 N. Charlotte Street, Gilbertsville, PA 19525. Present were Supervisors Douglas Muller, David Brown, Ralph Fluharty, and Philip Agliano. Supervisor Andrew Kelly was absent. Also present were Township Manager Michael McGann, Township Solicitor Paul Bauer and Eileen Pogany. Chairman Douglas Muller called the meeting to order at 7:00pm and led in a Salute to the Flag.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** –Chairman Muller announced that the following items are available on the counter in the rear of the meeting room: attendance sign-in forms for the official record of who is in attendance, agendas for the public, a notebook containing meeting procedures, a notebook containing approved minutes from prior meetings, and a notebook containing prior meeting bill lists. He added that the Board of Supervisors will give an opportunity for public comment prior to any official action, that non-agenda items from the floor will be addressed after all business items are completed, and that one person speaks at a time with a five minute time limit at the discretion of the Chairperson. No one stated that they were taping the meeting.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** – None

**UPCOMING TOWNSHIP MEETING** – announced by Eileen Pogany

April 16	Sewer Authority at WWTP	6:30pm
April 24	Zoning Hearing – Hallmark Partners	6:30pm
May 07	Recreation Committee	7:00pm
May 12	Next Regular Meeting of the BOS	6:30pm

**PRESENTATION OF CURRENT BILLS**

**Bill List # 6 –dated 3/21 /14**

General Fund 01	\$ 38,334.11
Fire Tax Fund 03	\$ 0.00
Sewer Operating Fund 08	\$ 24,713.92
Sewer Capital Fund 10	\$ 0.00
Trans. Impact Fund 13	\$ 0.00
Capital Fund 19	\$ 1,160.45
State Liquid Fuels Fund 35	\$ 5,211.50
Escrow Fund 41	\$ 12,949.06
Recreation Fund 96	<u>\$ 3,824.75</u>

Total	\$ 86,193.79
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Ralph Fluharty **moved** to ratify payment of the bills listed in Bill List #6 in the amount of \$86,193.79. Motion was **seconded** by David Brown and **carried 4-0**.

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**Bill List # 7 –dated 4/04/14**

General Fund 01	\$ 20,173.13
Fire Tax Fund 03	\$ 2,755.00
Sewer Operating Fund 08	\$ 36,075.97
Sewer Capital Fund 10	\$ 0.00
Trans. Impact Fund 13	\$ 1,882.50
Capital Fund 19	\$ 0.00
State Liquid Fuels Fund 35	\$ 12,867.46
Escrow Fund 41	\$ 6,226.84
Recreation Fund 96	\$ <u>3,258.83</u>
Total	\$ 83,239.73

Philip Agliano **moved** to approve payment of bills listed in Bill List #7 in the amount of \$83,239.73. Douglas Muller **seconded** the motion and it **carried 4-0**.

**Bill List # 8 –dated 04/11/14**

General Fund 01	\$ 28,032.11
Fire Tax Fund 03	\$ 0.00
Sewer Operating Fund 08	\$ 1,548.37
Sewer Capital Fund 10	\$ 0.00
Trans. Impact Fund 13	\$ 0.00
Capital Fund 19	\$ 0.00
State Liquid Fuels Fund 35	\$ 1,304.35
Escrow Fund 41	\$ 26,060.38
Recreation Fund 96	\$ <u>14,359.65</u>
Total	\$ 71,304.86

David Brown **moved** to approve payment of the bills in Bill List #8 in the amount of \$71,304.86 and advance the treasurer the monies for utilities and payroll for the coming month. Ralph Fluharty **seconded** the motion and it **carried 4-0**.

**Minutes - Action to approve meeting minutes:**

*March 10, 2014* - Douglas Muller **moved** to approve the March 10, 2014 meeting minutes. Philip Agliano **seconded** the motion and it **carried 3-0** with David Brown abstaining since he had not been in attendance.

*March 24, 2014* – Ralph Fluharty **moved** to approve the March 24, 2014 meeting minutes. Philip Agliano **seconded** the motion and it **carried 3-0** with David Brown abstaining since he had not been in attendance.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT** – Bauer & Associates, LLC – Mr. Bauer stated that Personnel and litigation issues will be discussed in executive session and that no action is expected to take place.

**BUSINESS FOR DISCUSSION OR ACTION:**

**Montgomery View** – Act 209 fees, Michael Gambone. Request to allow for payment of Act 209 fees at the time of sale of lots was granted by **motion** of Ralph Fluharty, **seconded** by David Brown and **carried 4-0**.

**90 DAY TIME LIMITATION WAIVERS** – Planning Commission recommends approval for granting of 90-day waivers as follows:

N.H.T.P.C. #781	Fun-E-Farm	Land Develop.	05-05- 2014
N.H.T.P.C. #783	Rosenberry Annex	3 lots	05-10 -2014

Philip Agliano **moved** to grant waiver of the 90-day time limit for N.H.T.P.C. No. 781, Fun-E-Farm and also N.H.T.P.C. No.783, Rosenberry Annex. Motion was **seconded** by David Brown and **carried 4-0**.

**Resolution No. 16–14** Authorization for submission of application for Traffic Signal Approval and Form TE-160 to Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for the intersection of Sanatoga and Fagleysville Roads. Douglas Muller **moved** to adopt Resolution No. 16-14, **seconded** by David Brown and **carried 4-0**.

**Resolution No. 17–14** Authorization for submission of application for Traffic Signal Approval and Form TE-160 to Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for the intersection of Swamp Pike and Middle Creek Road. David Brown **moved** to adopt Resolution No. 17-14, **seconded** by Philip Agliano and **carried 4-0**.

**Fun-E-Farm Land Development Plan N.H.T.P.C. 781** – Planning Commission recommends approval of waiver requests and approval in preliminary form contingent upon compliance with consultant review letters, execution of a Stormwater Best Management Practices Agreement, execution of developers agreements, permits from any and all outside agencies, payment of all applicable Township fees including recreation fees and transportation impact fee. Philip Agliano **moved** to adopt **Resolution No. 18-14** outlining the conditional preliminary plan approval; motion was **seconded** by Ralph Fluharty and **carried 4-0**.

**Resignation** – Brian Parkes resignation from the Recreation Committee dated April 4, 2014 was accepted by motion of Ralph Fluharty, **seconded** by David Brown and **carried 4-0**. Township staff will forward a letter of thanks to Mr. Parkes for his service as a member of the committee.

**Rosenberry Ridge NHTPC # 734** – David Brown **moved** to approve the escrow release request in the amount of \$115,099.83 as recommended by Dave Leh of Gilmore & Associates. Douglas Muller **seconded** the motion and it **carried 4-0**.

**Township Line Road Paving Project** – A proposal to complete a joint roadway resurfacing project was presented to Upper Frederick Township and was rejected by their Board of Supervisors. A counter proposal was offered for the Townships to work together stating that the cost of blacktop will be shared equally, and that Upper Frederick Township will make up for the difference in labor costs and equipment by agreeing to supply trucks and drivers to New Hanover during a future paving project. The Board requested that the details for this project be clearly documented, in writing, and that agreements between the Townships be executed for all future maintenance and repairs for shared roadways. Mr. Smith agreed to contact contractors requesting estimates and compare options as to the best, most economical way to complete the project.

## **COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR**

**Greg Maskery of Jane lane** asked if there has been any progress with regard to the siting of electric poles by Met Ed in the Windlestrae development. Mr. Maskery was advised that the residents have filed a formal complaint with the PUC and that even though Met Ed admitted to their failure to notify residents, installation of poles continues. Residents are a bit more agreeable since it has been explained to them that it is necessary to install poles in a straight line in order to avoid the necessity of guy wires.

**Celeste Bish** – inquired about the water line installation for those affected by the Hoff VOC issue and was told that a mandatory hookup ordinance will be adopted by the Township and that construction was delayed due to winter weather. Construction is expected to begin early May; the water lines will be charged in segments and will provide water to Hickory Park.

**Big Road and Rt. 663 Traffic Signal** – PennDOT is requesting that the Township obtain a cost estimate for widening the roadway (turning lane) at the intersection prior to their making a decision on the traffic signal. The Township's engineering cost for preparing an estimate for road widening is estimated to be \$4,250; Act 209 fees could be used to cover this expense. PennDOT could then reconsider permitting the traffic signal, or possibly ask the Township to proceed with installing a turning lane. Philip Agliano **moved** to authorize the expenditure of funds in the approximate amount of \$4,200 to have an estimate for road widening prepared by McMahan Associates. David Brown **seconded** the motion and it **carried 4-0**.

**Master Plan–Roadway Maintenance** – Ralph Fluharty provided a copy of a three year plan to the Board intended to be used as a planning tool for roadway maintenance. Approximated cost to bring roadways into satisfactory condition is estimated to be between \$400,000 and \$500,000 per year for four to five years. It was noted that a true cost needs to be established which includes labor and that prevailing wage does not apply until cost is \$100,000 or greater.

**Edward Swagzdis** of Buchert Road asked why the roadways are deteriorating and was told that the public works director suspected that the blacktop had been contaminated by dirt and dust and heaved due to the frost in the ground. Township relies on PennDOT certified blacktop.

**Meeting adjourned to Executive Session** at 7:45pm.

**Executive Session** – Personnel/Litigation

**Reconvened Regular Meeting** at 8:54pm; no action was taken

**Adjourn** – meeting was declared adjourned at 8:55pm.

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Michael McGann, Township Manager/Secretary