# EAST HANOVER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES June 20, 2023

# **CALL TO ORDER**

Vice-Chair Oller called the Tuesday, June 20, 2023, Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors to order at 7:08 pm in the meeting room of the Township, 8848 Jonestown Road, Grantville, PA followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. An Executive Session was held tonight beginning at 6:37 pm until 7:02 pm for information purposes and to discuss potential litigation.

Vice-Chair Oller stated that the meetings are audio taped. The tapes are strictly for the use of the Recording Secretary for clarification during preparation of the minutes. The Public Guidelines of Decorum require all individuals wishing to make public comments do so at the microphone and state their name and address.

# IN ATTENDANCE: SUPERVISORS:

Chad Leese, Chairman arrived 7:30 pm Rebecca Oller, Vice-Chair Tina Hastie Mike Yingling Kyler Shea arrived 7:15 pm

# **ALSO PRESENT:**

Isaac Wakefield, Township Solicitor-Salzmann Hughes Bryan Ziegler, Public Works Director Aaron Moyer, Township Engineer-HRG Becky Richards, Park & Rec Director Stephanie Harmon, MS4 & Planning Coordinator Sharon Umberger, Recording Secretary

# **APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:**

Mrs. Hastie requested that the minutes reflect that Kyler Shea arrived at 7:13 p.m. with no end time since he did attend the board informational session that continued after the meeting. Mr. Yingling made a **motion to approve the Board of Supervisors meeting minutes from June 6, 2023 as corrected.** Mrs. Hastie seconded. **Motion carried 3-0.** 

# TREASURER'S REPORT

04/30/23	\$9,592,119.05		
Balance Sheet			
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	May Revenue	May Expenses	Net Increase/(Decrease)
General Fund	\$ 1,643,561.29	\$ 565,615.75	\$ 1,077,945.54
Fire Fund	\$ 130.92	\$ 3,646.65	\$ (3,515.73)
Street Light Fund	\$ 112.76	\$ 754.02	\$ (641.26)
Liquid Fuels Fund	\$ 2,266.36	\$ 0	\$ 2,266.36
Stormwater Fund	\$ 140,506.40	\$ 12,051.14	\$ 128,455.26
Total	\$ 1,786,577.73	\$ 582,067.56	\$ 1,204,510.17
Liability		Increase/(Decrease)	\$ 6,340.68
05/31/23 Balance Sheet			\$ 10,802,969.90

	Invoices due and paid 06/07/23-06/14/23	06/07/23 Invoices for Consideration on 06/20/23
General Fund	\$ 293,900.10	\$ 100,382.77
Fire Fund	\$ 70,000.00	\$ 1,180.00
Street Light Fund	\$ 0	\$ 517.43
Liquid Fuels Fund	\$ 0	\$ 424.50
Stormwater Fund	\$ 47,376.00	\$ 2,968.50
Total	\$ 411,276.10	\$ 105,473.20
Total Checks Written	06/07/23-06/20/23	\$ 516,749.30

Mr. Yingling made a motion to pay bills as presented through June 20, 2023. Mrs. Hastie seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

**CORRESPONDENCE-** Representative Tom Mehaffie is holding a breakfast for veterans on November 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Lower Swatara Fire Department.

# **REPORTS:**

MS4 and Planning Report: Mrs. Harmon provided a written report. She has provided updates to Dallas Data Systems for the next quarter stormwater bills with an anticipated print date for quarter 2 being June 30<sup>th</sup>. Stormwater appeals/credits now total 107, of which 98 have been completed and the rest are still in-process. A total of 2,060 stormwater bills were mailed for the first quarter. There were 333 stormwater bills in the 90-day aging as of June 9th and a total of 84% of the bills issued have been paid. In the past month she has received three new stormwater permit applications. The traffic scoping meeting with PennDOT for a Wawa convenience store at the southwest corner of Route 22 and Route 743 will be held via Microsoft Teams on June 21<sup>st</sup>.

#### Mr. Shea arrived at 7:15 pm.

Parks and Recreation Report: Mrs. Richards provided a written report. She attended a Playground Safety & Maintenance Workshop at Brookside Park, Dover Township, York County. The PA Master Naturalists are meeting at the Township and as the host agency she shared potential park projects since we will have the first opportunity to recruit these volunteers. The Summer Recreation Program started on Monday, June 19th and there are 76 families and 118 children registered. Although the renovated playground is now finished, it is closed from 8 a.m. to 12 noon. during the hours of Summer Camp and notices were posted on the Township website and on the Park & Rec Facebook page. Saturday, June 24th is the first Movie in the Park this year. ADA Accessible Restrooms are completed, inspected and open for public use. A final site visit will be scheduled with the DCNR Regional Advisor to close out the Community Park Redevelopment project. The Community Park Redevelopment project was funded by two grants (CFA Grant & DCNR C2P2 Grant) which are anticipated to cover 90 percent of the total \$560,000 project. Mrs. Richards is in the process of obtaining quotes to replace tennis court pavement and fencing. Mrs. Oller sent congratulations from the BOS to Arun Gopinath, a returning camp counselor who was on the Lower Dauphin boys volleyball team that won the state championship.

#### Chairman Leese arrived at 7:30 p.m.

<u>Municipal Engineer's Report</u>: Mr. Moyer provided a written report. He attended one meeting in May, as the Planning Commission meeting was cancelled. He was involved with twelve plan reviews and inspections. Municipal Projects Status: <u>MS4</u>-Illicit discharge investigation. <u>Stormwater Fee Implementation</u>-Consulting in the process of reviewing appeals and credit applications received by the Township. **Green Light Go**-HOP/signal permits submitted for cycle 1 review by

PennDOT. Mr. Ziegler brought up a concern after a recent inspection of the two light poles at Route 743 and Route 22, as he found that the light poles are twice as bad as two years ago. The Township Engineer agreed that it is a public safety issue and would reach out to PennDOT to express concerns to get some forward movement. The wrong strike from a truck could take out a light pole. A temporary signal would be used as an interim solution. Playground Rehabilitation and Reconstruction-The renovations to the community playground are now complete. Public Well Design/Permit-No update. Jonestown Road Truck Signage in EHTLC-No update. Route 39/Jonestown Road Truck Signage-HRG is re-doing structural analysis since a new mast arm was recently installed. Grantville Infrastructure Project-No update. Zoning/SALDO Ordinance updates-A fourth Zoning/SALDO update committee meeting is scheduled for tomorrow morning. Amphitheater ADA assistance-The electrical and ADA plans will be combined for BCO (Building Code Official) submission. 2023 Roadway Management Plan-No update. EHES Flashers-Installed and waiting for connection by Herr Signal & Lighting.

Emergency Management Report: Mr. Johnson provided a written report. The EMA office received one notification for a motor vehicle crash that involved a state road being shut down for multiple hours. He is preparing for the next Public Safety Advisory Council meeting to be held on Monday, June 26<sup>th</sup>. The usage agreement for the Public Works building with the American Red Cross is on tonight's agenda for consideration. An EMA information booth communicating CPR awareness was available to the public at the GVFC Community Yard Sale on May 27<sup>th</sup>.

<u>Codes and Zoning Report:</u> Light-Heigel provided written reports for UCC, Zoning and Property Maintenance but was not present.

Sewage Enforcement Officer's Report: Brian McFeaters provided a written report but was not present.

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

# Project submission ideas for 2023/2024 Dauphin County gaming grant

The BOS reviewed some ideas for the 2023/2024 Dauphin County gaming grant: Construction of Field House at North End of the Park, Road Maintenance Paving and Repair, Baseball Field Lighting at North End of Park, Feasibility Study for new Township Building/Conversion of Existing Building into Park and Recreation Center, CPR Training Supplies, Township Building Kitchen and Bathroom Update, Tennis Court Replacement, and Fire Company Apparatus Debt Reduction. Chairman Leese suggested that each Supervisor prioritize the list provided for further review at the next BOS meeting on July 5<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Public Comment:**

George Gregory Dovey-152 E. Caren Drive-Mr. Dovey said there was discussion at one point about paving his road which currently is a stone road. Mr. Ziegler said the road is on our list but on hold. Chairman Leese shared that there is an East Hanover Township Road Study which is updated annually in order to help determine the priority of road work whether it be for paving, oil & chip, or crack sealing based on the condition of the particular road. The Supervisors will participate in a road tour in July to view roads prioritized for 2024 projects to request funding as part of the 2023/2024 Dauphin County gaming grant application.

# Proposed ordinance establishing a weight restriction on Bridge EHT-3 on North Meadow Lane

The proposed ordinance establishing a weight restriction on Bridge EHT-3 on North Meadow Lane was advertised on the Township website on June 10<sup>th</sup> and in the *Hummelstown Sun* on June 15<sup>th</sup>. In an inspection of Bridge EHT-3 it was determined that the weight should be reduced due to deterioration. Mrs. Oller asked whether this could impact school buses and Mr. Ziegler said No. Mrs. Oller questioned trash trucks? Mr. Ziegler stated it depends whether loaded or empty, there is a 21-ton weight restriction. Mr. Yingling suggested that Mr. Wagner be contacted to see whether his business would be affected. The BOS will consider this proposed ordinance for adoption at its July 5th meeting.

# **NEW BUSINESS:**

# Public Works Building facility use agreement with American Red Cross

Chairman Leese shared that there was some concern whether the Public Works Building would be used for a natural disaster or for example an opioid epidemic and need for shelter due to drug issues. The American Red Cross did confirm in an e-mail that the shelter would be added to their list and the Township would be contacted to see if it agrees to the use of the facility at that time; if not, the American Red Cross would then then look for another facility. The agreement does not obligate the Township to let them use the building. Solicitor Wakefield confirmed that the American Red Cross facility use agreement as presented to the BOS has been reviewed and noted there would be a change to owner name and address lines as indicated.

Mr. Shea asked whether the Township will be providing all the facility use purposes and whether the Township would be charging a fee. Solicitor Wakefield stated this agreement states the owner will not charge a fee and the Supervisors would be approving the agreement as presented except for the name and address. Mrs. Oller asked whether the facility coordinator needed to be indicated in the agreement. Solicitor Wakefield said you can name that person at any time and it is not required to be specified with the signing of the use agreement. Mr. Yingling suggested that the facility coordinator should reach out to the Supervisors before approving the use of the Public Works building. Chairman Leese said it would be a Township policy decision to determine the steps taken before approving the use for shelter.

Mr. Yingling made a motion to approve the facility use agreement with the American Red Cross with the changes noted on the name and address to use the Public Works Building in the event of a declared emergency with approval being done by staff on a one-on-one basis. Mr. Shea seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

#### Plan review extension for Fasnacht/Brassell Lot Line Revision Plan

Plan proposes to adjust the location of the shared property line between the properties at 2391 Sand Beach Road and 2403 Sand Beach Road, Grantville. The plan was accepted for review on May 2, 2023 and the plan review currently expires on July 31, 2023. Mr. Brassell, 2403 Sand Beach Road, prepared a letter for the BOS in response to the Township Engineer letter and provided explanation of the reasons for the lot line revision. Chairman Leese shared with Mr. Brassell that procedurally the BOS cannot act on waiver requests this evening without Township Engineer review. The letter provided will be date-stamped tomorrow during normal business hours. Chairman Leese encouraged Mr. Brassell to share why he was requesting certain waivers to get a better understanding. After discussion, Mr. Brassell agreed that his letter to grant a 90-day extension would still be applicable.

Mrs. Hastie made a motion to accept the 90-day extension granted for the Fasnacht/Brassell Lot Line Revision Plan to October 29, 2023. Mr. Yingling seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

### Hiring camp counselor for summer recreation program-

Mrs. Richards had no additional camp counselor applications and requested this agenda item be tabled until a future BOS meeting, if necessary.

#### LSA grant for new fire engine rescue apparatus

The LSA \$100,000 grant toward a new fire rescue apparatus in the amount of \$1,197,944 was discussed. The new cost is a 26% increase from the quote in Spring 2022. The BOS reviewed financing options through Volunteer's Financing Services, Inc. The LSA grant cannot be used for financing costs. Mrs. Oller shared that 2-3 years ago the Township paid for a \$15,000 fire study which recommended the replacement of two apparatuses (1991 Tanker and 1994 Rescue/Pumper) which are well beyond the replacement dates and may have difficulty getting parts for repairs. There were some features on the quote that were questioned such as going from a 750-gallon pumper to a 500-gallon pumper or whether chrome was necessary. Mrs. Oller asked Ron Johnson, as a former fire chief, if he would be willing to review the price quote received for the Pierce Rescue Pumper. Mr. Johnson agreed to review the quote. Chairman Leese said it may be a good opportunity for

discussion about operating goals and responsibilities, such as a Memorandum of Understanding between each entity, and whether during the next budget cycle there would be a need to potentially increase the fire tax. Beforehand, Mrs. Oller found out from the EHT Tax Collector that the average home's annual fire tax is \$28.39. A mobile home pays an average of \$4.39 annually. It may take up to 43 to 47 months after the purchase order to receive the new apparatus. Solicitor Wakefield asked whether all financing options were reviewed including lease to own, as he thought even Pierce offers lease to own. Chairman Leese would be checking on the lease to own option.

# **BUSINESS FROM THE PUBLIC:**

George Rish-122 Sunset Drive-Mr. Rish asked the Solicitor for the reasons why the solar farm plan was denied and about the appeal. Solicitor Wakefield shared that the specific reasons were available on the Dauphin County Prothonotary website. Mr. Rish asked about Executive Sessions held for informational purposes, in that he did not believe this was an allowable reason under the Second Class Township Code. Solicitor Wakefield cited case law indicating that if information was being communicated without a decision being made, this was allowable as an Executive Session matter.

<u>Simon Dengel-1062 Trail Road-</u>Mr. Dengel questioned whether Verizon Fios is available in the Township. Chairman Leese said Verizon never presented the Township with a franchise agreement.

# **BUSINESS FROM THE SUPERVISORS:**

Mrs. Hastie- She shared that with the help of Manada Conservancy and the Fort Indiantown Gap ACUB (Army Compatible Use Buffer) program, Sandor Horvath's 90-acre farm is officially a preserved farm on Manada Gap Road.

Mr. Yingling-He thanked Park & Recreation program for all kids that can come and enjoy a first class experience.

Chairman Leese-Thanked Mrs. Richards and Mr. Ziegler for their work on the playground project.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mrs. Hastie made a motion to adjourn. Mrs. Oller seconded. Meeting adjourned 9:16 pm.

Sharon Umberger, Recording Secretary