

**EAST HANOVER TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES
April 6, 2021**

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Rish called the April 6, 2021 Regular Meeting of the East Hanover Township Board of Supervisors to order at 7:00 pm via Zoom Video Conferencing.

Chairman Rish stated the Public Guidelines of Decorum require all individuals wishing to make public comment need to do so by e-mailing assttwpmgr@ehtdcpa.org or you may raise hand in the Zoom program option. Public Comments will be taken at the end of the meeting. Under regulations you will need to provide your full name and address for the record.

IN ATTENDANCE:

SUPERVISORS:

George Rish, Chairman
Chad Leese, Vice Chairman
Mike Yingling
Rick Smith
Smittie Brown

ALSO PRESENT:

Paul Cornell, Township Manager
Jackie Wilbern, Assistant Township Manager
Lee Stinnett, Township Solicitor-Salzmann & Hughes
Bryan Ziegler, Public Works Director
Jhane Kunkel, Park & Rec Director
Sharon Umberger, Recording Secretary

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

Mr. Yingling made a **motion to approve the Board of Supervisors regular meeting minutes from March 16, 2021**. Mr. Brown seconded. **Motion carried 4-0-1**. Mr. Smith abstained-was not at meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT

	Invoices due 3/17/21-4/02/21	4/02/21 Invoices for Consideration 4/06/21
General Fund	\$ 0	\$ 176,598.65
Fire Fund	\$ 0	\$ 401.14
Street Light Fund	\$ 0	\$ 175.16
Liquid Fuels Fund	\$ 0	\$ 4,388.66
Total	\$ 0	\$ 181,563.61

Mr. Yingling made a motion to approve invoices to be paid through and including April 6, 2021. Mr. Smith seconded. **Motion carried 5-0**.

Correspondence may be viewed during regular office hours

Letter from Dauphin County Commissioners approving a grant to East Hanover Township in the amount of \$500,000 for Annual Road Maintenance and the GVFC Self Contained Breathing Apparatus from the 2020-21 Local Share Municipal Grant Program. Township Manager will reply with thank you letter.

Reports:

GVFC-Chief Saul Schmolitz-provided written report to supervisors. Chief Schmolitz discussed the access for emergency equipment into the Nature Park on Crawford Road. Township may need to regrade or build up slope at entrance to prevent scraping of apparatus. Should there be an emergency in Park, want quick entrance. Chief Schmolitz shared there are increased fire calls due to the dry conditions.

Fort Indiantown Gap-David Weisnicht-Shared there is a lot going on following CDC guidelines allowing for increased capacity at Fort Indiantown Gap, along with the Governors guidance. Live Fire Schedule with controlled burns are continuing with oversight of Forestry Crew. Mr. Leese asked about the pool and sadly pool is in disrepair and will not reopen.

Unfinished Business:

Fire Reimbursement Ordinance-Solicitor Stinnett walked Board through what was provided as a concept establishing cost recovery procedures for certain costs expended by Emergency Service Providers. The outline will be provided for input from Saul and Wayne prior to the April 20, 2021 meeting. At the April 20th meeting will look for approval to advertise for consideration on May 1, 2021 at Board of Supervisors Meeting.

Presentation HRG: Roadway Management Plan- Aaron Moyer presented the findings of the study that included traffic counts and laser scanning road surfaces to develop a document that will be useful in Township Planning and Budgeting Process. The Big Picture--roads are not lasting 25 years but more like 10 years. Reason is due to heavier vehicles and more traffic resulting from online commerce. East Hanover is in better position than a lot of other municipalities. Mr. Cornell is proposing a road tour of 6 or 7 roads of identified condition types in the survey. Board will need to make decisions about increased spending on roads in the 2022 Budget to prevent further breakdown and maintain existing roads at a safe level.

Indiju Hospitality LDP-Acceptance of Time Extension

Mrs. Wilbern shared the developer has granted a 90-day extension for the Preliminary/Final LDP. The Planning Commission has recommended acceptance of the extension at the March 23, 2021 meeting. Mr. Yingling made a **motion to accept the time extension to July 25, 2021 for Indiju Hospitality LDP**. Mr. Leese seconded. **Motion carried 5-0.**

New Business:

2021 Paving Program, Consideration of Bids

Mr. Smith made a **motion to accept low bid from H&K Group in the amount of \$178,742**. Mr. Yingling seconded. **Motion carried 5-0.**

Request to Approve Amendment to Bridge Bundling Agreement

Mr. Yingling made a **motion to accept amendment to Dauphin Co. Bridge Bundling agreement that added 1.5% on any unpaid balance clause but all other provisions remain intact**. Mr. Brown seconded. **Motion carried 5-0.**

Consideration of Hiring Part-time Maintenance Position

Mr. Yingling made a **motion to approve hiring Scott Sharrow 10 hours per week at \$18/hour for up to 3 months**. Mr. Smith seconded. **Motion carried 5-0.**

Park and Recreation Grant Application Discussion

Aaron Moyer outlined options for Board to apply this grant season or in future years. The Park Master Plan developed with DCNR (Department of Conservation and Natural Resources) funding identified 5 projects that could be used in the grant request. The Township would be required to match 50% of any approved grant.

EAST HANOVER TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY PARK REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT

Project 1; ADA Parking/Accessibility \$438,651.69

Project 2: Amphitheater and Surrounding Walkways \$176,082.50

Project 3: Well Installation and Pavilion \$45,827.50

Project 4: Pedestrian Bridge \$1,078,182.50

Project 5: Stream Restoration- \$459,195.00

EAST HANOVER TOWNSHIP NATURE PARK PROJECT

Project 6: Nature Park Master Site Plan \$60,000

Mr. Yingling made a **motion to approve HRG to apply for Projects 1,5 &6 with a 50% match**. Mr. Smith seconded. **Motion carried 3-2**. Mr. Leese and Mr. Rish voted No,

Mr. Yingling made a **motion to approve signing of Resolution 2021-14 for the Community Park Development Project Grant**. **Mr. Smith seconded**. Motion was 3-2. **Mr. Leese and Mr. Rish voted No**.

Discussion: Plan to Reopen the Building

Mr. Cornell presented the Board with a plan for reopening the building to public. Beginning April 15, 2021 from 7:30am 4 pm Monday through Friday the Township Building vestibule will reopen for residents to pick up forms/paperwork or drop off forms/paperwork. The Township will continue to encourage the use of email, phone, the Drop Box, Township Website, and other virtual methods to engage/request service. Taxes may be paid via Tax Drop Box or via mail. Electronic recycling remains closed until further notice. Mr. Leese hoped to have next Planning Commission on April 27th at the Township Building. The only problem could be the maximum capacity due to the social distancing requirements. Mr. Brown was in favor of opening the township for business and that people adhere to guidelines but felt all other groups may be a mistake because numerous and larger groups. Mr. Rish confirmed with Mr. Leese that the Planning Commission will be held this month and see what happens. Last in person meeting was in November last year and had a total 12 people. The capacity will be determined and chairs spaced accordingly. Mr. Yingling asked Solicitor whether the meeting would have to be postponed if overcapacity. Solicitor said it would not need to be postponed. A designated person could stand at door and as 1 person leaves another can enter. Consensus to hold Planning Commission in person.

Business from the Public:

Jackie Wilbern read note from **Sally Zaino/Manada Conservancy** who left meeting at 8pm. Thanked Park and Recreation and Public Works for the electric box. Nursery being installed the month of April, and she will be main contact if any issues arise. Raised money to pay for the move and allowed major donors to name the portable greenhouses. One will be Cladell and the other Staver.

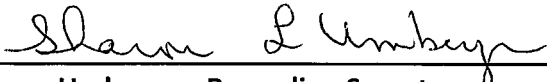
Saul Schmolitz confirmed that he received Ordinance but could not download document.

Tina Hastie, Fox Run Road, expressed concerns that 1) each meeting there is a new emergency budget item and 2) the Township building reopening is long overdue. The community deserves to have access to the building. With the upcoming mowing season, the crews running mowers should have livestock awareness training for safety of our residents and their livestock.

Board/Staff Comments: None

Adjournment:

Mr. Yingling made a **motion to adjourn meeting**. The meeting adjourned at 10:03 p.m.



Sharon Umberger, Recording Secretary