
REGULAR SEMI-MONTHLY MEETING
February 14, 2012

The regular semi-monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors, Hanover Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania was called to order by Chairman, John N. Diacogiannis at the Hanover Township Municipal Building, 3630 Jacksonville Road, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, 18017 at 7:00 PM.

Present were Supervisors Salvesen, Nagle, and Walbert, Engineer Brien Kocher, Solicitor James Broughal, Public Works Director Vince Milite and Township Manager, John J. Finnigan, Jr.

The Pledge of Allegiance was performed.

Upon motion of Mr. Nagle, seconded by Mr. Salvesen, the Board approved the Agenda with an addition to Administration.

Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye.

Upon motion of Mr. Nagle, seconded by Mr. Salvesen, the Board approved the minutes, as written, from the meeting of the Board of Supervisors dated January 24, 2012.

Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye.

Upon motion of Mr. Salvesen, seconded by Mr. Nagle, the Board approved the List of Bills and Transfers as presented by the Secretary/Assistant Treasurer, and to enter the signed List of Bills by the Secretary/Assistant Treasurer and the Board of Supervisors as an attachment to the minutes.

Mr. Salvesen aye with the exception of General Fund Check 2428 the portion of the proceeds which benefit me, Mr. Nagle aye with the same exception, Mr. Walbert aye with the same exception, Mr. Diacogiannis aye with the same exception.

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR

It was noted that no one wished to offer any comment.

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN

REPORT OF THE VICE CHAIRMAN

Mr. Walbert had nothing to report.

SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS & ROAD REPORTS

- Mr. Nagle – Road District #1 had nothing to report.
- Mr. Walbert – Road District #2 had nothing to report.
- Mr. Salvesen – Road District #3 had nothing to report.
- Mr. Tanczos – Road District #4 was not present.
- Mr. Diacogiannis – Road District #5 had nothing to report.

APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS – BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

Resignation of Mr. Paul Kuehne from the Planning Commission

Mr. Salvesen moved that the Board accept, with sincere regret, the resignation of Mr. Paul Kuehne from the Hanover Township Planning Commission and to send Mr. Kuehne a letter thanking him for his many years of dedication and service to the Township; and to notify the Planning Commission of the Board's action.

Mr. Walbert seconded the motion.

Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye.

PLANING & ZONING

Presentation: Representatives from Patient First Neighborhood Medical Centers regarding the Mastellar Property

Mr. Scott Miller, Project Engineer from Stackhouse Bensinger in Reading and Mr. Dean Andrews, Facilities Manager for Patient First were present to discuss their proposed project at the corner of Jacksonville and Schoenersville Road, the Mastellar property, and were looking for feedback from the Board.

Their proposal included a 1 story, 8,000 square foot care facility and medical building which will employ 9 to 12 people, 1 Board certified physician on staff, hours of 8 am to 10 pm, urgent and medical care, full x-ray, full lab, no appointment necessary.

Mr. Diacogiannis noted for the record that the Board does not have a plan in front of them, that this is merely a presentation for some ideas and the Board will be making no judgment. Mr. Diacogiannis advised Mr. Miller that when they are ready to submit a plan they need to start with the Planning Commission and noted that the Planning Commission comments are considered very highly by the Board.

Mr. Diacogiannis stated that his main concern is the traffic at that intersection, the access points and visibility issue with the trees on that property.

Mr. Miller stated they met with the Township Manager and Engineer last week and discussed storm water issues and the trees in the right-of-way.

Mr. Finnigan stated that a lot of the trees on the property are not healthy and are actually a safety issue.

Mr. Jim Montone, business owner on Schoenersville Road, expressed his concerns and opinion regarding the traffic problems that occur at that intersection.

Resident of 2377 Jacksonville Road expressed his concerns on the traffic problems and the trees on the property and noted that the Township already has an existing facility in St. Luke's North and in the next Township over is an urgent care facility on Airport Road.

Mr. Miller stated that they will be working with PennDot for issues on Schoenersville Road.

Karen VanWhy, Ambulance Captain for Hanover Township E.M.S. stated her concerns on the amount of calls that will come in requesting an ambulance to take a patient to a hospital, access for emergency vehicles to get in and out and commented on the "Urgent Care" signage.

Mr. Miller thanked the Board for their time and their comments.

ADMINISTRATION

Approve Resolution 2012-6, Organization of Special Events Committee

Mr. Nagle moved that the Board approve Resolution 2012-6, Organization of the Special Events Committee:

**HANOVER TOWNSHIP, NORTHAMPTON COUNTY
RESOLUTION NO. 12-06**

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Hanover Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania (the “Board”) recognize the need to create a committee of Hanover Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania (“Township”) residents to guide and direct special events within the Township which are approved by the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board created the “Special Events Committee” to facilitate and properly organize the special events within the Township that the Board desires to officially recognize by Resolution No. 01-01.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved and it is resolved, that the Board hereby amends Resolution No. 01-01 as follows:

1. Purpose of Special Events Committee: To organize, guide, direct and facilitate those “special events” within the Township which are officially recognized by the Board.
2. Organization: The Special Events Committee shall (A) consist of not more than seven (7) members, whom shall be Township residents or interested non-residents (maximum of two non-residents) and whom shall be appointed by the Board; (B) the terms of the members shall be three (3) years except for the initial terms of four (4) of the members whose terms shall be staggered with one (1) member having an initial term of two (2) years and three (3) members having initial terms of one (1) year; (C) the members shall select a Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary and Chief Fundraiser, who shall serve at the pleasure of the members of the Special Events Committee and shall be Township residents; (D) the terms shall be on a calendar year basis with appointments to the Special Events Committee being made by the Board at their annual reorganization meeting in January of each year or as vacancies occur; and (E) the Special Events Committee shall meet on the third Tuesday of every month with written minutes to be taken and forwarded each month to the Board and Township Manager.

Mr. Salvesen seconded the motion.

Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye.

Proclamation 2012-3, 2012 National Engineers Week

Mr. Nagle moved that the Board approve Proclamation 2012-3, 2012 National Engineers Week:

HANOVER TOWNSHIP, NORTHAMPTON COUNTY

PROCLAMATION NO. 2012-3

2012 National Engineers Week

WHEREAS, Engineers use their scientific and technical knowledge and skills in a creative and innovative ways to improve society's quality of life; and

WHEREAS, Engineers face the major technological challenges of our time – from rebuilding municipalities devastated by natural disasters to revolutionizing our infrastructure and technical progress;

WHEREAS, Engineers are encouraging our young math and science students to realize the practical power of their knowledge; and

WHEREAS, Hanover Township has had the good fortune of Hanover Engineering Associates providing guidance in assisting Hanover become the Best Place to Live, Work and Play in the Lehigh Valley; and

WHEREAS, we look more than ever to Engineers and their knowledge and skills to meet the challenges of the twenty-first century.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED, by the Board of Supervisors of Hanover Township, County of Northampton, and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

That on behalf of the residents, business community and visitors to Hanover Township, the Board of Supervisors do hereby proclaim the week of February 19 – 25, 2012 to be National Engineers Week in Hanover Township.

Mr. Salvesen seconded the motion.

Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye.

Proclamation 2012-4, honoring C. Michael Schmalzer, P.L.S.

Mr. Nagle moved that the Board approve Proclamation 2012-4, honoring C. Michael Schmalzer, P.L.S.

**HANOVER TOWNSHIP
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY**

PROCLAMATION NO. 2012 – 4

A PROCLAMATION HONORING C. MICHAEL SCHMALZER, P.L.S.

WHEREAS, C. Michael Schmalzer while employed with Hanover Engineering Associates has assisted in the engineering needs of Hanover Township since 1971; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Schmalzer assisted the Township through its significant growth and maturation; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Schmalzer has had a hand in updating and maintaining the Township's Comprehensive Plan, Parks, Recreation & Open Space Plan, Transportation Capital Improvement Plan, Land Use Assumption Report, Roadway Sufficiency Analysis, Master Planning – Street Layouts, Township's Official Plan, Storm Water Ordinance, Storm Water Design Plan, Water System – Airport Road Design and Codified & Zoning Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Schmalzer has also been involved in the review of the major projects in the Township such as ; Lehigh Valley Corporate Center, Lehigh Valley Industrial Park, Pointe North, Hanover Corporate Center, S.R. 0512 improvements, among others; and

WHEREAS, as a result of Mr. Schmalzer's commitment and dedication, Hanover Engineering Associates has been and continues to be one of the most respected engineering firms in the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED, by the Board of Supervisors of Township of Hanover, County of Northampton, and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

That C. Michael Schmalzer is applauded and recognized for his efforts in making, assisting and keeping Hanover Township the premier Township to Live, Work and Play in the entire Lehigh Valley Region. The Board of Supervisors proclaim Monday, February 20, 2012 as C. Michael Schmalzer Day in Hanover Township.

Mr. Salvesen seconded the motion.
Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye.

Authorize Chairman to Execute the Amendment to the Agreement between American Healthways Service, LLC and Hanover Township.

Mr. Nagle moved to authorize the Chairman to execute the Amendment to the Agreement between American Healthways Services, LLC and Hanover Township, Northampton County to be effective March 1, 2012. The amendment refers to the SilverSneakers Fitness Program.

Mr. Salvesen seconded the motion.

Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye.

Authorize Chairman to Execute the Application for Certificate of Compliance to Operate a Child Care Center or Group Child Care Home

Mr. Nagle moved to authorize the Chairman to execute the Application for Certificate of Compliance to Operate a Child Care Center or Group Child Care Home through the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the Child Care Center at the Community Center.

Mr. Walbert seconded the motion.

Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye.

Authorize Chairman and Secretary to Execute the Municipal Solid Waste Contract between Republic Services of New Jersey, LLC d/b/a Raritan Valley Disposal and Hanover Township

Mr. Nagle moved that the Board approve to authorize the Chairman and Secretary to execute the Municipal Solid Waste Contract between Republic Services of New Jersey, LLC d/b/a Raritan Valley Disposal and Hanover Township for Solid Waste and Recycling Services from April 1, 2012 to December 31, 2017.

Mr. Salvesen seconded the motion.

Mr. Finnigan stated that the Performance Bond and Certificate of Insurance were approved by the Township Solicitor.

Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye.

2012 Ambulance Bid

Mr. Finnigan stated that the Bid has been advertised in the Bethlehem Press for this week and next week.

Authorize Signatures of the Return of Taxes Form

Mr. Nagle moved that the Board approve to authorize the Tax Collector, Chairman and Secretary to sign the "Return of Taxes for the Year 2011" form for Northampton County.

Mr. Salvesen seconded the motion.

Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye.

Authorize Chairman to sign the Proposal for Pediatric First Aide Training with Northampton County Community College

Mr. Nagle moved that the Board authorize the Chairman to sign the Proposal for Pediatric First Aide Training with Northampton County Community College.

Mr. Salvesen seconded the motion.

Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye.

PUBLIC WORKS

DEVELOPMENTS

Note for the Record: TD Bank Maintenance Inspection

Mr. Salvesen noted for the record that TD Bank has requested a Maintenance Inspection to be performed by Hanover Engineering Associates, Inc.

Mr. Salvesen moved that the Board authorize Hanover Engineering to perform a Maintenance Inspection for TD Bank as requested by the Developer.

Mr. Walbert seconded the motion.

Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye.

LNAA Lot Location – Lot Consolidation Extension Request

Mr. Salvesen moved that the Board approve to grant LNAA Lot Location Plan – Lot Consolidation an extension of ninety (90) days to May 22, 2012 to meet the conditions of approval and to notify the Developer of the Board's action.

Mr. Walbert seconded the motion.

Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye.

LNAA Cul-de-sac Subdivision Extension Request

Mr. Salvesen moved that the Board approve to grant LNAA Cul-de-sac Subdivision an extension of ninety (90) days to May 22, 2012 to meet the conditions of approval and to notify the Developer of the Board's action.

Mr. Walbert seconded the motion.

Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye.

LNAA Parcel E – Lot 2 Subdivision Extension Request

Mr. Salvesen moved that the Board approve to grant LNAA Parcel E – Lot 2 Subdivision an extension of ninety (90) days to May 22, 2012 to meet the conditions of approval and to notify the Developer of the Board's action.

Mr. Walbert seconded the motion.

Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye.

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR

Mr. Zoltan Takacs, 2377 Jacksonville Road was present to ask the Board for help on moving the deer that are always in his yard.

Mr. Finnigan stated that the Township cannot move them; they are wildlife and are free to go where they want.

STAFF REPORTS

- Mr. Kocher – Engineer had nothing to report.
- Mr. Broughal – Solicitor had nothing to report.
- Mr. Milite – Public Works Director had nothing to report.
- Mr. Finnigan – Township Manager had nothing to report.

Upon motion of Mr. Walbert, seconded by Mr. Salvesen, the Board approved adjournment at 8:20 P.M.
Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye.

Lori A. Stranzl
Township Secretary