
REGULAR SEMI-MONTHLY MEETING
June 12, 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 P.M.

Present were Supervisors Salvesen, Nagle, Tanczos, and Walbert, Engineer Brien Kocher, Solicitor 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. Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Tanczos 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 May 22, 2012. Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Tanczos 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 dated June 12, 2012 as prepared by the Township Secretary, and to enter the signed List of Bills by the Secretary and Board of Supervisors as an attachment to the minutes. Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Tanczos aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye.

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR

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

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN

Mr. Diacogiannis noted that he and the Township Treasurer met with our Plan Administrator of our 457 Plan and the Defined Contribution Plan to discuss updates and some corrections that need to be made. The process was started and Mr. Diacogiannis stated he will present them to the Board at a future Supervisors' meeting.

REPORT OF THE VICE CHAIRMAN

Mr. Walbert

SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS & ROAD REPORTS

Mr. Nagle – Road District #1, Mr. Walbert – Road District #2, Mr. Salvesen – Road District #3, Mr. Tanczos – Road District #4 had nothing to report.

APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS – BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

Resignation of N. James Sterner from the Hanover Township Planning Commission

Mr. Salvesen moved, to accept with regret, the resignation of N. James Sterner from the Hanover Township Planning Commission effective July 10, 2012 and to authorize the Secretary to send Mr. Sterner a letter thanking him for his time and years of service and to notify the Planning Commission of Mr. Sterner's resignation.

Mr. Walbert seconded the motion.

Mr. Diacogiannis stated that this is an end of an era in Hanover Township's history with Mr. Sterner beginning his employment over 30 years ago as a laborer to heavy equipment operator to Public Works Director, to Township Manager and retiring in 2006. From that point Mr. Sterner has served on the Planning Commission and will be moving out of the area. The Township is losing a valuable person with a lot of knowledge in local government and will be missed.

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

PLANNING & ZONING

Conditional Use Approval – Lehigh Valley Academy – 1560 Valley Center Parkway – Proposed Gym/Auditorium

Mr. Walbert noted that the Conditional Use Hearing was held on May 22, 2012.

Mr. Walbert moved that the Board of Supervisors approve the Conditional Use Application of the Lehigh Valley Academy dated April 16, 2012 for property located at 1560 Valley Center Parkway, with the following conditions:

1. The Applicant/Owner shall acknowledge that the previous Conditional Use Conditions for the private school, as approved by the Board of Supervisors at their meetings of July 24, 2007 and June 14, 2011, remain in effect.
2. The Applicant/Owner shall comply with all outstanding issues contained in a certain correspondence from Hanover Engineering Associates, Inc. dated May 4, 2012 and captioned *Lehigh Valley Academy Expansion/Conditional Use*.

Mr. Walbert also moved that the Secretary notify the Applicant/Owner of the Board of Supervisors' decision.

Mr. Tanczos seconded the motion.

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

Public Meeting – Proposed Ordinance – Emergency Operations Plan

Mr. Walbert moved that the Board approve the following proposed Ordinance 2012-3 – Emergency Operations Plan; an ordinance requiring that all single buildings with 50 or more residential units furnish an Emergency Operations Plan to the Township.

ORDINANCE 2012 - 3

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HANOVER, NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, REQUIRING THAT ALL SINGLE BUILDINGS WITH 50 OR MORE RESIDENTIAL UNITS FURNISH TO THE TOWNSHIP OF HANOVER, NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AN EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN, ESTABLISHING ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS, FEES AND PENALTIES AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT HEREWITH.

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

Waiver Request – 3893 Adler Place

Mr. Walbert noted that the Developer is requesting a waiver of the planting strip provided on the original site development plan.

Mr. Mark Bradbury from Martin, Bradbury, Griffith and Mr. Jason Danweber, owner of the property were present to discuss the proposed plan.

The Board had no issues with the waiver request.

Hold Harmless Indemnification Agreement – James E. and Tamie H. Swain, 4410 Loraine Lane, Bethlehem, PA, 18017

Mr. Walbert moved that the Board authorize the Chairman and Secretary to sign the Hold Harmless Indemnification Agreement between Hanover Township and James E. and Tamie H. Swain of 4410 Loraine Lane, Bethlehem, PA, 18017 for the installation of a fence which will encroach into the ten (10) foot Township drainage and utility easement located in the side yards of the property.

Mr. Tanczos seconded the motion.

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

ADMINISTRATION

Proclamation 2012-8 Supporting National Night Out 2012

Mr. Nagle moved that the Board approve Proclamation 2012-8 Supporting National Night Out 2012 as follows:

HANOVER TOWNSHIP, NORTHAMPTON COUNTY

PROCLAMATION NO. 2012-8

**A PROCLAMATION SUPPORTING
NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 2012**

WHEREAS, the National Association of Town Watch (NATW) is sponsoring a unique, nationwide crime, drug and violence prevention program on August 7th, 2012 entitled “*National Night Out*”; and

WHEREAS, the “29th Annual National Night Out” provides an opportunity for heighten crime and drug prevention awareness; generates support for, and participation in, local anti-crime efforts; strengthens neighborhood spirit & police-community partnerships and sends a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized & fighting back; and

WHEREAS, the Hanover Township Board of Supervisors plays a vital role in assisting the Colonial Regional Police Department through joint crime, drug and violence prevention efforts in Hanover Township – Northampton County and is supporting “*National Night Out 2012*” locally; and

WHEREAS, it is essential that all citizens of Hanover Township – Northampton County be aware of the importance of crime prevention programs and the impact that their participation can have on reducing crime, drugs and violence in Hanover Township – Northampton County; and

WHEREAS, police-community partnerships, neighborhood safety, awareness and cooperation are important themes of the “*National Night Out*” program;

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF HANOVER TOWNSHIP - NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, do hereby call upon all citizens of Hanover Township to join the Board of Supervisors and the National Association of Town Watch in supporting “*29th Annual National Night Out*” on August 7th, 2012.

FURTHER, LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT, WE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS do hereby proclaim Tuesday, August 7th, 2012 as “*NATIONAL NIGHT OUT*” in Hanover Township – Northampton County.

Mr. Salvesen seconded the motion.

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

Authorize Chairman to Execute the Restricted Municipal Gaming Grant Contract

Mr. Nagle moved that the Board approve to authorize the Chairman to execute the Restricted Municipal Gaming Grant Contract, as awarded by the Northampton County Gaming Revenue and Economic Redevelopment Authority.

Mr. Salvesen seconded the motion.

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

PUBLIC WORKS

DEVELOPMENTS

Davis Subdivision – Maintenance Status

Mr. Tanczos moved that the Board approve to reject the Developer’s request to end the “Maintenance Period” for the Davis Subdivision Plan and urge the Developer to complete the “Punch List” items as listed in Hanover Engineering’s letter dated June 8, 2012; and request a re-inspection.

Mr. Walbert seconded the motion.

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

3910 Adler Place – Maintenance Status

Mr. Tanczos moved that the Board approve to reject the Developer’s request to end the “Maintenance Period” for the 3910 Adler Place Site Plan and urge the Developer to complete the “Punch List” items as listed in Hanover Engineering’s letter dated June 8, 2012; and request a re-inspection.

Mr. Walbert seconded the motion.

Mr. Salvesen questioned the Davis Subdivision and the 3910 Adler Plan and stated these projects are way past time of completion and we should notify them that they have until a certain

date to complete the maintenance items and request a re-inspection or the Township will draw on the security and complete the items themselves.

Mr. Finnigan stated he will send a letter to both Developers advising them to complete and request an inspection by July 20, 2012.

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

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR

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

STAFF REPORTS

Mr. Kocher had nothing to report.

Mr. Broughal had nothing to report.

Mr. Milite updated the Board on the following:

- Ron Smith's condition
- Noted that "slow curve" signs were placed on the roadways on Crawford Drive and Stoke Park Road curves
- Noted that Truck Touch – Car Show went quite well

Mr. Finnigan reported on the following:

- Commented on an email from Paul Kuehne on the article in the newsletter honoring Mr. Kuehne on his 29 years of community service
- Updated the Board on a fire in a vacant home on Sunday and noted that two of our Firemen were injured while fighting the fire and noted that both were treated at the hospital and are okay. He also commented on the job the Chief did in handling the situation.

Upon motion of Mr. Salvesen, seconded by Mr. Tanczos, the Board approved adjournment at 7:40 P.M.

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

Lori A. Stranzl
Township Secretary