

EAST HANOVER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
8848 Jonestown Road, Grantville, PA 17028
March 20, 2007

The meeting of the East Hanover Township Board of Supervisors was called to order with the pledge to the Flag by Chairman Marie Beudet at 7:13 P.M. Present were Supervisors Keith Espenshade, Dave Marshall, and George Rish. Tom Shutt was absent.

Myles Kauffman, legal counsel; Roger Phillips, Engineer; David Smith, Codes and Zoning; Charles Longreen, Director of Public Works; and Deborah Casey, Secretary-Treasurer were also present.

This meeting was audio taped. The tapes are strictly for the use of the Secretary-Treasurer for clarification during preparation of the minutes.

An Executive Session was held before the meeting to discuss legal issues.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM MARCH 6, 2007

Mr. Marshall made a motion to approve the March 6, 2007 minutes as written. Mr. Rish seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4 in favor, 0 opposed.

Expenditures:

General Fund	\$ 71,081.12
Operations and Maintenance	\$ 7,000.87
State Fund	\$ 8,931.57
Park and Rec	<u>\$ 647.22</u>
Total	\$ 87,660.78

Mr. Rish made a motion to approve the expenditures as presented. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4 in favor, 0 opposed.

Receipts

General Fund	\$ 10,221.11
Operations & Maintenance	\$ 11,952.00
State Fund	\$ 200.00
Park & Rec Fund	\$ 100.00

Available Funds

General Fund	\$ 664,177.57
Operations & Maintenance	\$ 371,583.37
Street Light	\$ 4,830.94
State Fund	\$ 329,564.50
Public Sewer Fund	\$ 577,838.98
Park and Rec Fund	<u>\$ 120,923.30</u>
TOTAL	\$2,068,918.66

SIGNIFICANT CORRESPONDENCE

The Correspondence is available for review during normal office hours.

REPORTS

AWARD OF BID FOR SOUTH MEADOW LANE

Mr. Longreen noted that the bids were received and opened on March 15, 2007 at approximately 2:00 PM at the Municipal Building. Three bids were received:

Jay Fulkroad & Sons, Inc.	\$178,162.00
JBeitz Enterprises, Inc.	\$219,043.00
Base Line Contracting, Inc.	\$259,800.39

The low bid was J. Fulkroad & Sons, Inc. in the amount of \$178,162.00. Mr. Longreen made a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors to award the bid to J. Fulkroad & Sons, Inc.

- Mr. Rish noted that the engineer's letter recommended the approval of the intent to award. Mr. Phillips commented that was correct and the next step would be to write a letter to contractor informing it that the performance bond and insurance certificates would need to be submitted to the Township. Once those items are received and deemed satisfactory, then the contract can be executed.
- **Mr. Rish made a motion to notify J. Fulkroad & Sons, Inc. of the Township's intent to award the contract in the amount of \$178,162.00. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4 in favor, 0 opposed.**

PUBLIC WORKS – CHARLES LONGREEN

- Mr. Longreen commented that he was notified that the traffic light at Rt. 743 and Rt. 22 was in a default mode. One of PennDOT's dump trucks took one of the single heads off. Mr. Longreen contacted PA Percs and the light is now working. A representative of PennDOT has informed Mr. Longreen that the bill should be submitted to PennDOT for payment.
- A request has been received from Dick Blessing. He would like to purchase one of the old snow plows. This plow has not been used in years, and there is no intention of using it in the future. The value of the plow is under \$1,000.00 so there is no need to advertise for bids. Mr. Longreen requested permission to contact Mr. Blessing for a bid.
- **Mr. Marshall made a motion to allow Mr. Longreen to take bids for the snow plow. Mr. Espenshade seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4 in favor, 0 opposed.**
- Mr. Longreen made a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors to hire Richard A. Bashore as the part-time Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator at an hourly rate of \$20.00 per hour and \$140.00 per month to hang his license.
- **Mr. Marshall made a motion to hire Mr. Bashore as part-time sewer plant operator at the wages stated by Mr. Longreen. Chairman Beaudet seconded the motion. Mr. Rish noted that he would abstain from the vote since he was not able to be present at the interview. The motion was approved 3 in favor, Chairman Beaudet, Mr. Espenshade and Mr. Marshall; 0 opposed; 1 abstention, Mr. Rish.**

CODES AND ZONING – DAVID SMITH

Mr. Smith noted that Zoning, UCC and SEO reports were provided at the last meeting.

- Chairman Beaudet asked what should be done with Villa Rosa not having a HOP from PennDOT. She felt that the change of use should have required a permit.
- Mr. Rish asked if occupancy of the facility could occur without a HOP. Mr. Phillips noted that the permit is needed for occupancy.
- Mr. Longreen noted that Rich Sterling of PennDOT is researching to see if there was a HOP issued at any point in time. Mr. Sterling informed Mr. Longreen that when a change of use happens, PennDOT needs to be notified since the use may change the classification.
- It was noted that the State would have jurisdiction over the accesses.
- Discussion was held on Kelly Court, Fabio's and whose jurisdiction those properties were in. Traffic studies and HOP's were also discussed.
- Mr. Espenshade suggested that the Township wait until PennDOT has completed its research and then further discuss the issue.
- Mr. Smith noted that he provided the information regarding the cell tower to the Board of Supervisors. Chairman Beaudet noted that the cell tower is not required to be removed.

ENGINEERS REPORT – ROGER PHILLIPS

- The Component 3M is almost complete and authorization is needed to advertise for public comment. The Township is required to take public comment on the document for 30 days. The document will be provided to the Township at the beginning of next week.
- **Mr. Marshall made a motion to prepare the advertisement for the public comment period for the Component 3M for the Act 537 Plan. Mr. Rish seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4 in favor, 0 opposed.**
- Mr. Phillips has provided Mr. Longreen with the Chapter 94 report for the treatment plant (annual waste load management report) which is submitted to DEP annually. Mr. Longreen will submit the report to DEP.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

THE PRESERVE AT BOW CREEK PHASE II & III LAND DEVELOPMENT PLAN Rish Ed Hill of Keystone Custom Homes, and Judy Kennerdell of H. Edward Black were present

- Mr. Marshall noted that if the plan is approved as is, there will be a total of 6 cul-de-sacs, 4 of which he does not feel are necessary. He felt that 4 can be easily be converted into 2 loop streets and that would be better for the Township for maintenance during snow storms, for access of emergency vehicles. He noted that the other 2 cul-de-sacs would have to cross wetlands and he understood the difficulties with that. He also commented that he did not like the stormwater plan for the southern end of the development which has pipes that go into the fields. The stormwater that is discharged into the fields will eventually go into the creek. He would like to see a series of swales with berms put in to slow up the amount of water that is coming out of the pipe. He would not vote for the plan as it is.
- Discussion was held on the plan.
- Mr. Espenshade asked if the snow dump right-of-ways were adequate for snow removal. Mr. Longreen noted that it would depend on the amount of snow, and if

the homeowners allow them to stay as snow dumps, it would be adequate. Any large amounts of snow over a period of time would require removal, but that would happen at other locations in the Township. Mrs. Kennerdell commented that there is a Homeowners Association with the development and that would help control what is done in the right-of-ways.

- Mr. Rish asked David Craig, Chairman of the Planning Commission, if he had any comments since the plan was approved by the Planning Commission. Mr. Craig noted that deleting the connector that would cross the wetlands came up during Planning Commission review. His recollection is that discussion took place with Mr. Longreen, Mr. Phillips, and Mr. Nelligan (Emergency Management Coordinator). It was his understanding that the plan as being presented would be an alternative to crossing the wetlands. The Planning Commission took the recommendation as an acceptable alternative based on the expertise of the individuals.
- John Nelligan commented that the one cul-de-sac that was created as a result of not being able to go through the wetlands has a stabilized turnaround which he hopes will enable the fire service to pull in and make a 3-point turn to get out of the cul-de-sac. He felt that cul-de-sacs are a negative for fire services.
- Mr. Rish noted that the cul-de-sacs are allowed in the ordinance and the ones on the plan meet the ordinance. Mr. Hill noted that he understands the concerns and has tried to provide access for snow plowing easements and can take those easements to whatever size Mr. Longreen would require.
- Mr. Hill noted that crossing the wetlands would require a major permit and the first demand that DEP would require would be what has been done to avoid crossing the wetlands. He commented that the plan is being reviewed under the old ordinance and the intent of the development is to minimize the impact on the open space which the cul-de-sacs do so effectively.
- Chairman Beudet asked about putting in static ponds to deal with the stormwater and be used to fight fires if necessary. Mrs. Kennerdell commented that the ponds would create more problems relating to mosquitoes, liability issues as to whether or not they should be fenced in, etc. She also noted that DCCD approval has not yet been received and part of that review is that there is no increase or decrease in the creek.
- Discussion continued on the stormwater control.
- Mr. Espenshade noted that all the people that are required to review the plan have done so and recommendations have been made. He felt that it met the intent of the ordinance.
- **Mr. Espenshade made a motion to approve Phase II & III of the Preserve at Bow Creek.** Mr. Phillips noted that there is one outstanding item which is the approval from DCCD. Mrs. Casey noted that signatures and notarization and payment of reviewing engineering fees are still outstanding.
- **Mr. Espenshade withdrew his motion.**
- **Mr. Rish made a motion to table action on the plan until a response is received from the Dauphin County Conservation District. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4 in favor, 0 opposed.**

- Mr. Marshall suggested that the ordinance be amended that cul-de-sacs can only be used as the last measure to develop a piece of ground since they are an issue if there is a fire. Discussion continued on the subject.

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT - THOMPSON

No update.

DEFINITION OF FRONT YARD IN ZONING ORDINANCE

Mr. Phillips will be providing a diagram for the ordinance. It will be discussed at the Planning Commission next week.

BUILDING RENTAL AGREEMENT – WORDING FOR PAVILION RENTAL

Mrs. Casey noted that there is an unclear wording in the Directory regarding the refund of the deposit. The directory reads that rental fees are refundable only in the event of inclement weather when the Township building is reserved as a backup.

- Mr. Marshall suggested that the wording “when the Township building is reserved as a backup” be removed.
- By consensus of the Board, the wording will be removed.
- Solicitor Kauffman noted that he has reviewed the Building Rental Agreement and there are minor changes. After the changes are made, the agreement will be forwarded to Solicitor Kauffman and the Board for final review.

ACT 209

Chairman Beudet noted that there are a few people that are interested in being on the committee, and would like to have the people approved in the near future.

CURATIVE AMENDMENT – ORDINANCE 2005-10, RESOLUTION 2007-07

No update.

BLIND PERSON WALKING SIGNS

Mr. Longreen will be setting up a meeting with the individual when Mr. Shutt is available. The individual is a resident of DeAnn Estates.

NEW BUSINESS

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT – PROBATION, CREDIT CARD, KEY, BENEFITS

Mrs. Casey noted that Mrs. Eppinger will complete her 90 day probation period as of April 2, 2007. She is requesting that the Board of Supervisors approve Mrs. Eppinger as a full time employee with benefits, key access to the building, and a credit card in the amount of \$1,000.00 for use for Township business.

- **Mr. Espenshade made a motion to approve Mrs. Eppinger as a fulltime employee with benefits, key access and a credit card effective immediately. Mr. Rish seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4 in favor, 0 opposed.**

SECRETARY/TREASURER COURSE – MANAGING YOUR MUNICIPALITY

Mrs. Casey requested permission to take a course during the 2007 PSATS Convention. The course will be offered on Sunday, April 22nd from the hours of 9:00 AM until 4:00 PM. The cost is \$50.00. This subject was offered as a workshop at last year's convention and was well received and very beneficial. This year it is being offered as an extended course.

- **Mr. Espenshade made a motion to allow Mrs. Casey to attend the seminar at a cost of \$50.00. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4 in favor, 0 opposed.**

GRANTVILLE FIRE POLICE – PERMISSION FOR TRAFFIC AND CROWD CONTROL

Chairman Beudet noted that the Fire Police has requested permission to do traffic and crowd control for the Dauphin County's Fireman's Convention to be held in Hummelstown on June 9th.

- Discussion was held on the subject and questions were brought up regarding liability and permission for the Fire Police to perform duties in other municipalities.
- Wayne Isett commented that a joint agreement was made between all the municipalities that they would honor requests for services. The services are covered by the insurances.
- **Mr. Marshall made a motion to permit the Fire Police to provide services on June 9, 2007. Mr. Espenshade seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4 in favor, 0 opposed.**

HALBLEIB, FETROW – REAPPROVAL OF PLANS

Mrs. Casey noted that there have been no changes to the plans, but the time has run out for recording the plans. She is requesting that the plans be reapproved.

- **Mr. Rish made a motion to reapprove the Halbleib and Fetrow plans due to the expiration of the time for recording. Mr. Espenshade seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4 in favor, 0 opposed.**

SAUL SCHMOLITZ – FIRE COMPANY

Mr. Schmolitz noted that on March 6th there was a fire on S. Mill Rd. at around 10:00 AM. The fire destroyed the home. He noted that everything on the first floor was salvaged. Since the call was during the day, there were some issues that were worked through and there were no injuries. There were some equipment losses. He commented that the Fire Company has been in contact with the homeowners and it was noted to him that Marie Beudet had visited them and had expressed concerns about the Fire Company. Mr. Schmolitz asked if there were any concerns that it brought to the table. He did not want bad relations with anyone.

- Chairman Beudet noted that she and another individual did visit the property owners and the visit was to see how the residents were doing. She noted that the Township was also receiving calls regarding the fire as to where contributions could be made to the family. She did not recall making any comments regarding the Fire Company. Her recollection of what was said when she first arrived was

that why wasn't water drawn from the creek. She noted to the property owners that she did not know and they should contact the Fire Company. She did not recall saying anything about the Fire Company. The property owner asked where the fire hydrant was; however, Chairman Beaudet did not know the exact location. Mr. Schmolitz commented that it was about 1400 feet away from the property.

- Chairman Beaudet noted that Mr. Schmolitz had made a statement on television that one of the problems with fighting the fire was that there were no hydrants. Mr. Schmolitz noted that his comment was that there no proper hydrants available. Chairman Beaudet felt that the Board might have questions about the statement since there was water 50 feet away in the creek.
- Discussion continued on the subject.
- Chairman Beaudet felt that the questions that were fielded by the Township regarding the fire and Mr. Schmolitz's statement should be addressed by the Trustees of the Fire Company. The dry hydrant concerns will be directed to the Public Safety Advisory Council. She did not feel that a Board of Supervisors meeting should be the venue of Mr. Schmolitz's concerns since the Fire Company is not under the control of the Board of Supervisors.
- Mr. Schmolitz explained his statement to the press and explained his reasoning why public water would have helped the situation vs. having a dry hydrant in the area. Discussion continued on the subject.
- Mr. Espenshade felt that the Fire Company did the best that they could in the situation.
- Mr. Rish noted that he did not hear any complaints about the handling of the fire.
- Mr. Marshall commented that when he had a fire at his property, he was very pleased with the way the Fire Company handled the situation.

BUSINESS FROM THE PUBLIC

David Smith noted that he is a member of the Lower Dauphin School Board and that on May 3rd, at the East Hanover Township Elementary School, at 6:30 PM, Superintendent Sherri Smith, will be there to present an explanation of Act 1, which will be on the ballot. The budget will also be reviewed.

Mr. Marshall made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah A. Casey

cc: Marie Beaudet	Myles Kauffman	Zoning Hearing Board
David Marshall	Charles Longreen	Curt Cassel
Keith Espenshade	Planning Commission	Posted
George Rish	Light-Heigel	
Thomas Shutt	Pickering, Corts & Summerson	