

**EAST HANOVER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
8848 Jonestown Road, Grantville, PA 17028
December 5, 2006**

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 7:00 P.M. Present were Supervisors Keith Espenshade, Dave Marshall, and George Rish. Tom Shutt was absent.

Myles Kauffman, legal counsel; Roger Phillips, Engineer; 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.

THE 2007 BUDGET WILL BE CONSIDERED FOR APPROVAL AT 7:15 pm

A PUBLIC HEARING FOR ORDINANCE 2006-06 – REDUCTION OF THE PARK AND REC BOARD MEMBERS FROM 7 TO 5 – WILL BE HELD AT 7:30 pm.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER 21, 2006

Mr. Marshall made a motion to approve the November 21, 2006, minutes as written. Mr. Rish seconded the motion. The motion was approved 5 in favor, 0 opposed.

Expenditures:

General Fund	\$ 36,645.98
Operations and Maintenance	\$ 3,993.15
Street Light	\$ 191.65
Park and Rec	<u>\$ 836.33</u>
Total	\$ 41,667.11

There is one additional bill not listed on the expenditure list in the Amount of \$2,000.00 for the Solicitors retainer fee for the months of November and December.

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	\$ 6,794.59
Operations & Maintenance	\$ 427.50
Street Light	\$ 41.80

Available Funds

General Fund	\$ 613,912.97
Operations & Maintenance	\$ 397,243.74
Street Light	\$ 5,224.38

State Fund	\$ 333,937.78
Public Sewer Fund	\$ 423,068.35
Park and Rec Fund	<u>\$ 119,316.47</u>
TOTAL	\$1,892,703.69

SIGNIFICANT CORRESPONDENCE

The Correspondence is available for review during normal office hours.

REPORTS

PLANNING COMMISSION – DAVID CRAIG

No report.

PUBLIC WORKS – CHARLES LONGREEN

Mr. Longreen presented his report for the month of November. The report is available for review at the Municipal Building.

- A meeting was held with the LTAP Engineer regarding the intersection at Rt. 743 and Faith Rd. All the data that is needed for the traffic study has been collected. Mr. Longreen asked if the Board wants to proceed with the turn restrictions. If it does, then an ordinance will need to be drafted. Five criteria are provided for a lane turning restriction, only 1 is required for a turn restriction. Two of those requirements have been met. There have only been 2 reportable accidents at the location in the past 3 years; however, sight distance and stopping distance do warrant the restrictions. Mr. Longreen felt the Township should proceed with the restriction for safety reasons.
- Mr. Espenshade felt that the intersection probably could stay as is for now, but once Penn National opens its slots, there could be problems at the intersection and the issue may need to be addressed again.
- Mr. Longreen noted that all the information obtained is good indefinitely; accident reports can be requested at any time.
- Mr. Rish felt that the problem would get worse with Penn National, but the restrictions could wait until then.
- Mr. Marshall agreed that if the volume of traffic increased, then there would be problems. He felt that the Township should wait until Penn National begins the red light construction to see how the traffic is.
- Mr. Longreen noted that he has received complaints about mud on the roads at Devonshire Heights Rd. and Sand Beach. The Board may want to consider an ordinance for clean roads. This would require people to clean up any mud they may drag onto the road. The Township also may want to consider adding to the ordinance that it has the right to stop the activity if the person does not clean up the road. Discussion was held on the problems on Sand Beach Rd.; however, Sand Beach is a State road.

ADOPTION OF THE 2007 GENERAL OPERATING BUDGET

There will be no increase in the Municipal or Fire tax for 2007. The rates will remain at 0.18 mills for Municipal and 0.18 mills for Fire. The budget was advertised in the Patriot

News on November 14th, The Sun on November 15th and has been posted at the municipal building

Total Budget	\$3,439,470.00	
General Fund		\$1,249,145.00
Liquid Fuels		\$ 514,000.00
Street Light		\$ 9,275.00
Fire Company		\$ 100,350.00
Operations & Maintenance		\$ 911,000.00
WWTP Construction		\$ 501,000.00
Park & Recreation		\$ 55,000.00
Park & Recreation Subdivision Fee		\$ 99,700.00

- **Mr. Marshall made a motion to approve the 2007 Budget as advertised. Mr. Espenshade seconded the motion.** Mr. Rish had concerns about the Park and Rec Fund Budget with some of the things proposed for use of the Subdivision Recreation fee. He would like to be reassured that items currently suggested are appropriate before the funds are used. **The motion was approved 4 in favor, 0 opposed.**

CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

- Mr. Longreen noted that an e-mail was received regarding the Rt. 39/743 Study. A committee is being formed to evaluate the future highway needs from I81 to Hershey. LDARPG would like to the Township to appoint a member to the committee. Mr. Longreen agreed to be the representative. Mr. Phillips noted that a representative from DCPC contacted him and asked for a meeting to discuss some of the technical information that may arise.
- **Mr. Marshall made a motion to appoint Mr. Longreen as the Township’s representative. Mr. Rish seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4 in favor, 0 opposed.**
- Mr. Longreen reported that Manada Bottom Rd. is now closed until December 11th so that PennDOT can do work on one of the bridges.
- Rt. 443 (Mountain Rd.) is to be resurface in the spring from Piketon Rd. to the Lebanon County line.

LDARPG – CHARLES LONGREEN

- LDARPG made revisions to the inter-municipal agreement which was sent to the Township early in 2006. The new agreement will be sent to the Township for review by the Board and the Solicitor. LDARPG would like some kind of action from the Board sometime in early 2007.
- LDSRPG is co-hosting a presentation on the Chesapeake Bay regulations and how they will impact Townships. Invitations will be sent to Township officials, Planning Commission members and Sewer Authorities. The tentative date is March 29, 2007.

Mr. Schock asked if people that would be involved in the change at the intersection of Rt. 743 and Faith Road have been notified about the proposal. He did not see a problem with prohibiting a left turn on to Rt. 743, but there would be a problem with

prohibiting the left turn off of Rt. 743. Some of the traffic would be shifted on to Rt. 22 and could create problems. He felt that the people should be notified before anything is considered. Chairman Beaudet noted that people would be notified once a decision is made as to what the Township wants to do.

GRANTVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY – WAYNE ISETT

No report.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR ORDINANCE 2006-06 – REDUCTION OF THE PARK AND REC BOARD FROM 7 TO 5 – 7:30 PM

Solicitor Kauffman noted that it was the time and place advertised for the public hearing for Ordinance 2006-06 which reduces the number of Park and Rec Board members from 7 to 5. It has been properly advertised. Section 2 has been changed to read “the Board shall be composed of 5 residents to be appointed in accordance with the 2nd Class Township Code.”

- There was no public comment.
- **Mr. Espenshade made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2006-06. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4 in favor, 0 opposed.**
- The Public Hearing ended at 7:35 PM.

PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COUNCIL – JOHN NELLIGAN

- The Council will begin to meet again in 2007.
- The Public Safety Advisory Council was the group that brought forth the safety issue of the left turns on Rt. 743 and Faith Rd. He will keep the issue on the PSAC agenda. The recommendation was to not allow the left turn off of Faith Rd. on to Rt. 743.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT – JOHN NELLIGAN

- The Township was not affected by the storm that went through the area on December 1st.
- Emergency Management is now housed in the administrative office and the operations office is now equipped and in service. He thanked the Board and the Public Works Department for the work done to complete the offices.

WWTP – CHARLES LONGREEN FOR BARRY LUDWIG

- Effluent results for the month of November, CBOD, 2.0; suspended solids, 5.5; ammonia, 0.14; phosphorus, 1.03; fecal coliform 2. Average flow was 155,000 gallons per day. 22,000 gallons of sludge were removed.
- The interceptor contractor is there for final punch list repairs.
- Pulled and cleaned UV sensors.
- Cleared rag buildup from SBR mixers – routine.
- Continue to monitor process control closely due to season changes.
- Cleaned SBR's of floatables.
- An Additional call was made to MetEd regarding access to the Jonestown Rd. facility. The key issue seems to be worked out.
- Started sorting miscellaneous parts and organized.

- Responded to a grinder pump alarm at Funcks. The pump was pulled and an obstruction removed within the cutter assembly.
- Continuing with Rest Slop flow monitoring, performed minor repairs to the meter.
- Right-of-way inspections will be done in the near future and winterization has begun on the old WWTP operations building.
- Hamersley did some work at the Dairy Lane treatment plant and then left. The issue will be turned over to the Solicitor.

ENGINEERS REPORT – ROGER PHILLIPS

- The engineer's report is on file at the Municipal Building for review.
- The final testing on the sanitary sewer has been completed at the Preserve at Bow Creek. The records will be turned over to the Township.

ACT 537 PLAN

- Still progressing.

GRADING PERMIT AND STORMWATER MANAGEMENT ORDINANCES

- The language is being finalized and should be ready to adopt if the Board chooses to do so.

S. MEADOW LANE BRIDGE

- The permits from PennDOT and DEP have not yet been received. The project should be ready to be bid some time in January.

FUNCK PLAN

- At the last Planning Commission meeting it was agreed with Mr. Funck that the some members of the Planning Commission, Dave Smith, Mr. Phillips would meet on site to discuss some of the issues.

Mr. Marshall asked if the inspector was done with the work at the Preserve at Bow Creek. Mr. Phillips thought that all of the work has been done for this first phase. If the inspector is needed, he is called.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT - THOMPSON

One more property deed is still trying to be located.

NEW PENN HOSPITALITY – LETTER OF CREDIT

Mr. Phillips felt that the letter of credit is for maintenance of a storm system. The Township should not release the letter of credit.

NEW BUSINESS

SKINNER SUBDIVISION PLAN - ACCEPTANCE OF PLAN FOR REVIEW

HALBLEIB SUBDIVISION PLAN – ACCEPTANCE OF PLAN FOR REVIEW

**ROBERTS SUBDIVISION PLAN – ACCEPTANCE OF PLAN FOR REVIEW
FETROW SUBDIVISION PLAN – ACCEPTANCE OF PLAN FOR REVIEW**

- **Mr. Rish made a motion to accept the 4 plans for review and possible action at the next meeting. Mr. Espenshade seconded the motion.** Mr. Marshall asked why the Board accepts the plan for review and then votes on it 2 weeks later. Mrs. Casey noted that was to give the Board a chance to review the plan. Mr. Phillips noted that the Board is copied on the resubmissions and should get the plans during the Planning Commission review process so that it is aware of what is going on. Mr. Marshall felt that it would be easier to make decisions if the Board had copies of the plans during the review process. **The motion was approved 4 in favor, 0 opposed.**

HILTON GARDEN INN – EXTENSION OF TIME

- **Mr. Rish made a motion to accept the grant of an extension of time until March 31, 2007. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4 in favor, 0 opposed.**

APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

The Township has made an offer of employment to Dawn Eppinger and she has accepted.

- **Mr. Marshall made a motion to hire Dawn Eppinger at a salary of \$33,000.00 per year. Mr. Espenshade seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4 in favor, 0 opposed.**

OTHER BUSINESS FROM THE BOARD

There was no further business from the Board.

BUSINESS FROM THE PUBLIC

Richard Schock asked what the cost estimate is for the S. Meadow Lane Bridge. Mr. Phillips did not have the cost with him at the time.

Mr. Schock noted that at the last meeting, his use of a word was questioned. He felt that people deceive themselves with the use of words.

Charlie Longreen asked if he could now give a key to the Tax Collector for her new office. Discussion was held on the key. It was noted the key could be turned over to the Tax Collector.

Keith Oellig noted that he was concerned about Faith Rd. and asked if there was any discussion with PennDOT about lowering the hump in the road. Mr. Longreen noted that the Township could make a recommendation to PennDOT, but should probably wait to see what happens with the Rt. 743/39 Committee. Mr. Oellig felt that this would be a good time since the road will be dug up for a sewer line. Discussion continued on the issue and whether restricting turns would be of benefit. Mr. Espenshade felt that the Township could live with the issue at this time, but if traffic increases when Penn

National opens with slots, there could be problems. At that time, the issue can be readdressed.

John Nelligan noted that Bensalem will be opening its slots within the next 2 weeks. Bensalem hired 8 additional police officers to help with the expected flow of traffic.

Mr. Rish made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah A. Casey

cc: Marie Beaudet
David Marshall
Keith Espenshade
George Rish
Thomas Shutt
Myles Kauffman
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