

**EAST HANOVER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
8848 Jonestown Road, Grantville, PA 17028
May 5, 2009**

The meeting of the East Hanover Township Board of Supervisors was called to order with the pledge to the Flag by Chairman Keith Espenshade at 7:07 P.M. Present were Supervisors Marie Beaudet, Dave Marshall, John Nelligan and Tom Shutt.

Scott Wyland, Solicitor; Norman Ulrich, Engineer; Charles Longreen, Director of Public Works; Curtis Cassel, Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator; and Deborah Casey Secretary/Treasurer were also present.

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

There was an Executive Session held at 6:00 PM to discuss legal issues.

The Public Hearing for the Act 209 Capital Improvement Plan will begin at 7:30 PM.

APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES FROM APRIL 21, 2009

Ms. Beaudet made a motion to approve the meeting minutes as written. Mr. Nelligan seconded the motion. The motion was approved 5 in favor, 0 opposed.

TREASURER’S REPORT

Expenditures:

General Fund	\$145,220.41
Operations and Maintenance	\$ 33,545.10
Street Light Fund	\$ 204.53
Park and Rec	<u>\$ 3,224.56</u>
Total	\$182,194.90

There are 2 additional bills from the General Fund, one from Selective in the amount of \$10,000.00 which is a workers compensation installment and one for the Postmaster in the amount of \$496.60 for postage for the Summer Newsletter.

Ms. Beaudet made a motion to pay the bills as submitted. Mr. Shutt seconded the motion. The motion was approved 5 in favor, 0 opposed.

Mrs. Casey asked for approval to transfer \$20,000.00 from the Genera Fund account to the Emergency Service PLGIT Fund as was budgeted and approval to transfer \$900,000.00 from the General Fund to the General Fund PLGIT Account.

Ms. Beaudet made a motion to make the bank transfers as read by Mrs. Casey. Mr. Nelligan seconded the motion. The motion was approved 5 in favor, 0 opposed.

Receipts

General Fund	\$1,095,946.12
Operations & Maintenance	\$ 323,974.76
Street Light	\$ 166.84
Park and Rec	\$ 25.00

Mrs. Casey noted the large receipt for the General Fund was a check received in the amount of \$940,000.00 from the Casino monies. Ms. Beaudet noted the Township was only supposed to receive \$500,000.00 base per year, but thanks to our consultants, it is now \$940,000.00 per year.

Available Funds

General Fund	\$1,408,767.69
Operations & Maintenance	\$ 329,021.96
Street Light	\$ 6,828.37
State Fund	\$ 492,974.07
Public Sewer Fund	\$ 3,979.89
Park and Rec Fund	<u>\$ 86,135.01</u>
TOTAL	\$2,327,706.99

CORRESPONDENCE

The correspondence is available for review during normal office hours.

REPORTS**PARK AND RECREATION – JANET ESPENSAHDE – YOUTH SPORTS COMPLEX**

No report. Chairman Espenshade noted he spoke with the Engineer about the Sports Complex and this will be discussed at a future meeting.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT – CHARLES LONGREEN

Mr. Longreen offered his apology to the Board of Supervisors and to the public for his comments in response to the deer issue at the last Board meeting. He still has health and safety concerns for the Township Crew.

- Mr. Longreen presented his report for April. It is available for review at the Municipal Building.
- A letter was received from Pennsy Supply noting it has entered into a contract with PennDOT to reconstruct Rt. 443 (Mountain Rd.) from the Dauphin/Lebanon County line eastward to Asher Miner Rd. which will be 3.7 miles. Rt. 443 will be closed and detours will be set up. The first phase will begin Monday, May 11th and traffic will be detoured using Bow Creek Rd., Allentown Blvd., and Harrison School Rd. Phase 1 will be completed in approximately 3 weeks. The second phase detour will be Pleasant View Rd., Allentown Blvd. and Harrison School Rd. The road will be open during weekends. It is hoped the reconstruction will be complete by July 17th, however, additional work will be performed throughout the summer utilizing lane restrictions with flaggers, cones, and signs. The final completion date will be November 18, 2009.

- A letter was provided to Mr. Longreen regarding a free seminar on May 12th on “How PennDOT’s New Transportation Impact Study Policy Affects Municipalities”. Mr. Longreen has signed up for the class.
- The property on Early’s Mill Rd. is complete and Mr. Longreen turned it over to the Board. He requested some kind of deed restriction put on the property for the front part so there is nothing but grass planted in that area. He does not want shrubs, bushes, trees, etc. planted.
- Ms. Beaudet asked if it was possible to have the address changed from Laudermilch Rd. to Early’s Mill Rd. so the house is not facing Rt. 743. Mr. Nelligan noted it could be done and he would check into it. Further discussion was held. Mr. Ulrich asked if the Township could deed restrict the property so that when a house is constructed it must take access from Early’s Mill. Solicitor Wyland noted it would be looked into. Discussion was held on changing the address.
- Mr. Shutt thanked Mr. Longreen for his apology. It was noted the apology was accepted.

GRANTVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY – WAYNE ISETT, PRESIDENT

- April 25th was the Chinese Raffle. Businesses gave the Fire Co. over \$2,500.00 worth of prizes.
- May 16th there will be a joint chicken BBQ with the Paxtonia Fire Company. The BBQ will be held behind the Integrity Bank on Jonestown Rd.
- May 23rd the Annual Grantville Yard Sale BBQ will be held. Chicken and baby back ribs will be sold.
- The 39er will be hitting the streets next week.
- The Fire Company is in the process of putting out the bids for the hose and the high rise packs.
- By May 20th, the Fire Company will be submitting a grant package to put GPS systems in all the Fire Trucks. This is through FEMA
- The Grants with the Township will be worked on after the FEMA grant is completed.

PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COUNCIL – JOHN NELLIGAN

- The next meeting will be held on June 22nd at 7:00 PM at the Municipal Building.
- Sandy Musser has submitted her resignation from the Council due to health reasons. There is an opening on the Council. Anyone interested in filling the position should be from the north side of Allentown Blvd.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT – JOHN NELLIGAN

- Starting Wednesday night through Thursday, the area is under a flood watch.
- Emergency Management is ramping up for anything that might happen with the swine flu. This is being directed by PEMA and Dauphin County. The contingency plan is in place for East Hanover.
- The Agency was called out to a HAZMAT incident on I81 two weeks ago. It was a truck incident with a fuel spill.

- A radon inspection was done for a homeowner.
- The 5 year FEMA floodplain review for new structures in the Township has begun. This is to redefine our floodplain maps.
- Mr. Nelligan would like to participate in a seminar on June 18th or 25th at HACC. It is a one day seminar on “How to Make Sure Your Media Interviews Don’t Come Back to Bite You Under the Pennsylvania Records Law” since he does many interviews. The cost of the course is \$199.00.
- **Ms. Beudet made a motion to grant Mr. Nelligan the opportunity to take the course. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4 in favor, Chairman Espenshade, Ms. Beudet, Mr. Marshall and Mr. Shutt; 0 opposed; 1 abstention, Mr. Nelligan.**

WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE – CURT CASSEL

Mr. Cassel presented his report for the month of April. It is available at the Municipal Building for review.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE ACT 209 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Solicitor Wyland noted it is the time and place advertised for the public hearing on Resolution No. 2009-09 which is a resolution of the Board of Supervisors approving the Capital Improvements Plan submitted by the Act 209 Advisory Committee. The Transportation Impact Fee adoption process calls for the Supervisors to review The Capital Improvement Plan and the calculation of the impact fee prepared by McMahon. The purpose of the hearing is to take any public input. The Township’s consultant McMahon Transportation Engineers and Planners will help the Supervisors and public understand what is in the Capital Improvement Plan.

- Jodie Evans of McMahon Associates provided the presentation.
- Ms. Evans noted McMahon previously prepared a Roadway Sufficiency Analysis which determined what improvements were necessary. Early on the Committee established the service areas. A map of the service areas was presented. There is a service area of 7 square miles and the Committee tried to include the most developable areas of the Township. This includes such areas as Mountain Road, Rt. 22, and some on Jonestown Rd. Twelve intersections were studied. After the service areas were established, the next step was to determine the preferred level of service for the improvements. She explained that you want a preferred level of service that is not too great. Ratings of level of service are A to F, which is failing. Typically B’s or C’s are the most desirable. You don’t necessary want a level of service that is A because we are trying to determine what is a safe standard for the existing conditions in 2008 and 10 years down the road without and with development. 10 years in the future, it would be very difficult to maintain a very high standard of level such as A and any improvements that are determined to fall before the developers come in would then be the financial responsibility of the Township. The Committee did not want all the improvements to fall on the Township. If the rate is too low such as a level of service E and things are working well, then there won’t be any improvement. You try to find balance so that it doesn’t fall too much on the

Township and mostly falls on the developer. Keeping that in mind, the Committee, with Ms. Evans assistance has recommended the preferred level of service for the signalized intersections, be level of service D for individual movement and level of service C for the overall intersection. For the un-signalized intersections the preferred level of service C for the critical movement. Critical movements are those that would be impeded, which would be left turns and stops. Roadway segments, the preferred level of service were D.

- The Committee analyzed all the intersections for the 3 different scenarios, taking the volume count and determined what improvements would be necessary to meet those preferred levels of service and the committee approved those recommendations. What was determined was there were no necessary improvements at this time. In the future, after or without development conditions, one intersection needed improvements and that is the intersection at Rt. 743 and Rt. 22 which is modified signal timing which is not a significant cost. Under the development conditions, there were 6 intersections of the 12 studied that needed improvements to meet to levels of service criteria, as well as the 2 roadways along Bow Creek Rd.; those improvements would be having additional through lanes to the on ramps of I81. The improvements are mainly along Bow Creek and Rt. 743 as well as Fire House Rd., Jonestown Rd. and a proposed signal at Sand Beach and Rt. 22.
- The information from the Roadway Analysis Study was taken to determine the costs. The construction cost information was gotten from a PennDOT website. In the future, those costs should be reviewed no less than one time per year, or you could go 2 to 3 years. The Committee should reconvene to check the current construction costs and then you can increase your fees based on the current construction costs. The cost of the 3 scenarios was determined and once determined, they were allocated. The intersection with modified signal timing at Rt. 743 and Rt. 22 would cost \$29,000.00. At that intersection there is State Road ownership which would mean the State would have to contribute to ½ the cost of the improvement. Ms. Evans noted that by putting the improvements in the plan do not mean the Township has to install the improvements, it just shows what is necessary without development. You can't charge the developers for something that was wrong before they came in. The development scenario requires more improvements. If it is a location where it is all Township roads, the responsibility falls on the developer, but if it was a State Road, part of the cost would fall on the State. The total cost of the development improvements is \$9,840,000.00, broken down with \$2,000,000.00 being PennDOT's responsibility and \$7,771,000.00 being the responsibility of the developer.
- On the tables provided, the last column is the construction completion date; as far as the Capital Improvement Plan, you also have to put the projected date you think you will be studying, the latest date is the date 10 years in the future you studied. It is recommended to give the last date possible since according to the law, you have 3 years from the recommended date to complete, have installed/constructed that improvement or update your 209 Study. So if you

come 8 years into the future and development has not come to the Township as you thought, you can update your 209 Study to go 10 years into the future from that date. Sometimes the improvements can change. This is also what the Act 209 Committee needs to look at when it reconvenes every 2 to 3 years; has development happened the way it thought it would and perhaps update the Study.

- The costs were tallied for all 3 scenarios and the developers have 78.7%, the Township has less than 1%, and PennDOT 21%. The percentage the developers are responsible for is taken out of the total Capital Improvement Plan times the cost of the study which was \$37,900.00 and the amount of the developers percentage, we can take that amount, add it on to the total cost that they are responsible for which is almost \$30,000.00 and collect the fees to basically pay the Township back. The Township can be paid back before any of the improvements are done.
- The total costs were divided by the total weekday afternoon peak hour trips which were determined by the Roadway Sufficiency Analysis. There were 3,917 weekday afternoon peak hour trips projected in the next 10 years in the studied areas. The cost per trip is \$1,951.00. Now when a developer comes into the Township and submits a land development plan, as part of the review, they will be assessed an impact fee if they fall in that service area. They will either do a traffic impact study or the Township will project how many trips they will generate and calculate the fee they will have to pay upon applying for a building permit. The developer may build the improvements themselves and then get a credit. If their site is not close to an intersection, this would be considered an offsite improvement for them and they would get a credit if they did the improvement. If it was an improvement to a Township road they are accessing and no one is forcing them to do the improvement, then they can just pay the fee and the Township can choose what improvements it wants to do first.
- The developer is still responsible for all costs associated with their site access and the improvements along their site. This does not relieve them from having to do any improvements to enter their site along the site frontage.
- Keith Oellig asked for an explanation of the peak hour. Ms. Evans noted traffic counts were done at the 12 intersections from 4:00 to 6:00 PM which is the typical evening peak hour. You have to pick one peak hour for the study. Why we pick the weekday afternoon is it encompasses the most development. Commercial development tends to peak weekday afternoons and Saturday. Residential developments tend to peak weekday morning and weekday afternoons as do industrial. The weekday afternoon seems to be a common peak for almost all development and that is why the weekday afternoon peak hour is studied. The count would be done in the worse hours which are from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM and that volume is what is used as the base for that intersection. Mr. Oellig has concerns about development such as the Broadway Classics Dinner Theatre where its peak hour may be 7:00 PM and then they would not be charged because it does not fall in the peak hours from the study. Ms. Evans noted their peak hour may fall out of the range, but the point is to try to encompass as much of the peak development traffic as you can for all

development in the next 10 years. You can't hit the peak for every development that comes in and that is why the weekday peak hour. If the peak hour for a dinner theatre would be 7:00 PM, they would probably at least have employees coming in during the 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM period. Mr. Oellig's concern is with something like that where it starts at 7:30 PM and their peak hour is at 7:00 PM, they will be exempt from paying. Ms. Evans noted they won't be exempt because there is a dinner theatre trip generation and that would be used. If they want to argue that, they could do a count to try and demonstrate they will generate less than what is estimated and it would be up to the Township engineer and Board of Supervisors if they wanted to accept that. You can't fluctuate for all development; you try to get the worst case scenario for all development to even out the responsibility for all developers. If it is not a permitted use, you can still ask them to do conditional improvements if it needs conditional use approval. Mr. Oellig felt it was 2 sets of rules. You ask them to contribute to this fund, but if the trip hours don't apply, then there's another set of rules. Ms. Evans is not saying there is another set of rules if it doesn't apply, but if it is a conditional use and you feel they are putting a burden on the Township, then it is up to the Township to make a recommendation that they study it and maybe do an improvement.

- Solicitor Wyland asked if there were any more comments from the Board or from the public regarding the public hearing for the ordinance. There were no further comments.
- Ms. Evans noted the Act 209 Committee will need to make a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors to adopt the Capital Improvement Plan.
- The public hearing was closed at 7:50 PM
- Mike Yingling, Chairman of the Act 209 Committee, asked the Committee members to stand and signify by vote whether they recommend the Capital Improvement Plan to be approved by the Resolution. Glenn Moyer, Larry Gessaman, Paul Longreen, Dan Casey and Mike Yingling voted unanimously to approved the Capital Improvement Plan.
- Chairman Espenshade noted Resolution 2009-09 is before the Board approving the Capital Improvement Plan submitted to the Board by the Act 209 Committee.
- **Ms. Beudet made a motion to adopt Resolution 2009-09 and thanked the volunteers who put their time into it. Mr. Nelligan seconded the motion. The motion was approved 5 in favor, 0 opposed.**

ENGINEERS REPORT – NORMAN ULRICH

- An escrow release was presented for the Preserve at Bow Creek Phase I. LTL reviewed the request which was for \$479,090.37. A letter dated April 30th has been provided to the Board for review. LTL is recommending a release in the amount of \$188,186.71.
- **Mr. Marshall made a motion to release the monies back to Rockview in the amount of \$188,186.71. Ms. Beudet seconded the motion. The motion was approved 5 in favor, 0 opposed.**

- Mr. Ulrich noted there was also a second escrow release request from Rockview for the Preserve at Bow Creek Phases II and II. That amount was for \$245,400.75. At this point, LTL is recommending no release of escrow monies. There is an overdraw amount so until they exceed that amount, LTL would not recommend the release of any additional monies. Rockview has received a copy of LTL's letter.
- Mr. Ulrich commented he has worked with Wayne Isett of the Fire Company and Grove Engineers for the minor changes they were looking at for the plan. A change plan modification letter has been issued and instructions given that the Fire Company can submit their plans for Township signatures and recording.

EFMR MONITORING GROUP – ERIC EPSTEIN

- The H2O grants – there has been a postponement on the assignment of awarding of the monies for the water and sewer projects. The only thing that will be awarded is for high hazard dams. Mr. Epstein will attend the meeting on May 14th to try to get some sense as to when the monies will be awarded. There is a commitment from the Commonwealth Finance Authority that we will be alerted 2 to 3 weeks prior to the announcement of the awarding of the grants. It will probably be mid-summer before we find out.
- A check was received from the Casino money and the numbers were off by around \$4,000.00. This needs to be reconciled. Penn National did get their funds to the appropriate people on time.
- The IDA grant agreement is still being worked through. This agreement sets up the operating rules on how we receive process and monitor the monies.
- There are 2 large funding streams that have been earmarked for Pennsylvania. The Recovery Act money is about 1.3 billion in transportation. \$12.9 million has been allocated for Rt. 39, but there is still money left over to be allocated. How it affects the Township is not known at this time.
- There is broadband money available to bring the infrastructure out to rural areas. Mr. Epstein recommends someone from the Township attend a meeting on May 26th to see what this is about. The Township qualifies since it is rural and broadband is expensive. The monies require a 20% match which the Township might be able to due through some of the grant funding. Our Congressman is the Vice Chair of Agriculture and anything from food stamps, to broadband, to energy flows through Agriculture.
- Mr. Epstein noted Lower Paxton Township has joined the Municipal Utility Alliance which should bring down their rate by 10%. PP&L had 5 auctions. They just had the 5th and the price went down. The lowest increase for PP&L customers is 28%. East Hanover has Met-Ed and the projected increase was 54%. It will be lower but still in the 40's. Before the Township considers enrolling in this plan, it should wait and see what the final Met-Ed increase is and also, the cap for Met-Ed doesn't come off for a while. (January 1, 2011). Mr. Epstein provided the Board with a list of the current bills that will be voted on in the near future. House Bill 194 and House 744 may give the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission the ability to offer sliding scale rates. This may give the Township another option.

- Ms. Beaudet asked if there is any further information about Townships being able to buy into co-ops for sustainable products such as solar panels. Mr. Epstein noted there are 2 bills being offered right now, one in the House and one in the Senate. This may authorize municipalities, boroughs, or communities to buy a certain percent of a power company. As far as products are concerned, he does not see it.
- Andy Stein commented that most of the programs that exist right now for renewable and sustainable energy rely on a tax break and Municipalities being non-profit do not get that. What you do is engage a 3rd party who will put in, get the tax credits and lock you into a rate. With technology rapidly changing, he recommended the Township wait a year or two. As far as solar is concerned, there is a requirement that a certain percentage of electricity produced in Pennsylvania be specifically solar. There might be some favorable terms for Municipalities.
- Mr. Epstein was not sure solar is to the point where it is affordable for the Township or the pay back is worthwhile. He encouraged the Board to think about energy efficiency. He suggested the Board wait for a couple years regarding this issue.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

CLEAN STREET ORDINANCE

Solicitor Wyland noted the ordinance is close to completion.

CHANGES TO SALDO

Mr. Ulrich noted at the last Planning Commission meeting, LTL brought an updated draft version of the minor SALDO changes with everyone's comments included. This will be discussed again at the May Planning Commission meeting and hopefully at the first Board meeting in June a report will be given with more substantial progress.

JUNK YARD ORDINANCE 2009-01

The Public Hearing will be held on May 20th.

PARK AND REC BOARD - ORDINANCE 2009-04 – INCREASE MEMBERS

The Public Hearing will be held on May 20th.

GAMING GRANTS

Solicitor Wyland noted there is a grant agreement that will govern the relationship between the County and its Industrial Development Authority and the Township for the administration of the 3 plus million dollars per year in grants that the Township is getting from the local share of gaming revenues. A lot of smaller of grants had already been approved by the County and there was a short form standard agreement that went out. The County gave the Township a somewhat different and larger complicated agreement since it will cover not only our grants for this year, but in years to come and the amounts are larger. The terms were negotiated and it appears the County has accepted the Township's proposal with respect to the one paragraph that was at issue. Solicitor

Wyland recommended that the grant agreement that has been distributed to the Board, which includes the change, be approved. This form agreement will be reproduced and attached to every individual grant project this year. The approval would be to use this form agreement and authorize its signature by the appropriate Township officials for everyone of the grant agreements.

- **Ms. Beaudet made a motion to approve the agreement as presented to the Board by the Solicitor, Grant Agreement 2009-01 through 25. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion. The motion was approved 5 in favor, 0 opposed.**
- Solicitor Wyland noted since the agreement has been approved and the signatures authorized, there are a couple projects that are safety oriented and those need to move forward as soon as possible, but we didn't want to take action on the steps to advance the projects without the agreement being signed by the Township and the IDA. He has been told by the IDA solicitor and it's representative that this agreement has already been pre-approved and what Solicitor Wyland expects to happen is we will execute the agreements, present them for signature to the IDA representative, that individual will execute them and at that point, we will have a binding agreement. LTL has requested approval to move forward with the bridge project. The Board may want to make that motion for the bridge project, and other projects, contingent upon there being a signed agreement for that particular project.
- **Mr. Nelligan made a motion to approve the initiation of bridge project pending the collection of all the appropriate signatures. Mr. Shutt seconded the motion. The motion was approved 5 in favor, 0 opposed.**

ORDINANCE 2009-02 – ALLOCATED SEWER CAPACITY ORDINANCE

The Public Hearing will be held on May 20th.

ERSKINE REQUEST FOR WAIVER

Chairman Espenshade noted a request was received to grant a waiver of a land development plan for the property. The Board has had a chance to look at what Mr. Erskine wants to do and review what he is requesting.

- **Ms. Beaudet made a motion to waive the land development plan, however, Mr. Erskine needs to comply with the provisions of the Stormwater and Flood Reduction Ordinance. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion. The motion was approved 5 in favor, 0 opposed.**

DEAD DEER

Mr. Longreen commented he met with Michael Doherty of the Game Commission. We came to an agreement. The Township has a key to the State Game Lands and access to the pit in West Hanover Township that the Township can use. Mr. Longreen would like to meet with the Board and the Solicitor in an Executive Session to further discuss the issues regarding personnel concerns.

An Executive Session will be held after the meeting to discuss the personnel issues.

NEW BUSINESS

LIONS CLUB REQUEST

Chairman Espenshade noted the Lions Club has requested assistance from the Township with Seamans Field. The request is for the removal of a tree trunk, and some stones to upgrade the driveway and the removal of a large mound of dirt in front of the field.

- Mr. Nelligan complimented the Lions Club for all the work they have done over the years to Seamans Field. It is a big improvement.
- **Mr. Nelligan made a motion for the Township to assist the Lions Club by providing, when we have the available equipment and time, take care of the tree issue, bring some stone in, and move the dirt mound per their request in the letter. Ms. Beaudet seconded the motion.** Chairman Espenshade thanked the Lions Club for their work done in the Township Park. Seamans Field is to benefit the community. **The motion was approved 5 in favor, 0 opposed.**

REVISION OF THE PENSION ORDINANCE

Mrs. Casey reported that the Township is currently going through a pension audit. It was brought up whether or not part-time employees are in the plan. Rick Baeshore and Crist Espenshade are not eligible to be in the plan since they are considered on-call part-time employees. Janet Espenshade is considered a permanent part-time employee and must participate in the pension plan. The current agreement indicates that all permanent employees must participate in the plan. Mrs. Casey would like to change the pension ordinance to include part-time permanent employees' enrollment if they wish to participate. She talked with PMRS and they will amend the ordinance/agreement if authorized by the Board.

- **Ms. Beaudet made a motion to authorize the Pension Plan to make the changes to the ordinance. Mr. Shutt seconded the motion. The motion was approved 5 in favor, 0 opposed.**

ACT 32 EIT COLLECTIONS

Mrs. Casey reported the State voted to do Earned Income Tax Collection at a County level vs. the way it is done now which is an organization that does it for the Lower Dauphin School District and the Townships that are in the school district. Meetings will be held at the end of this year and a representative from each Township should attend the meetings. They are asking for a delegate and an alternate. Mrs. Casey noted she would be willing to be the delegate. Discussion was held on who would be the alternate. It was recommended to leave the alternate open.

- **Mr. Marshall made a motion to appoint Mrs. Casey to go to the Act 32 Earned Income Tax Collection meeting and the alternate will be left open. Mr. Nelligan seconded the motion. The motion was approved 5 in favor, 0 opposed.**

ROCKVIEW LLC – PRESERVE AT BOW CREEK – ESCROW RELEAS

This was discussed previously.

- Mr. Ulrich noted that the escrow release has been approved, the Municipal Planning Code permits municipalities to increase escrow balances by an amount

of 10% per year as the project remains uncompleted. This has not been done in the past, but the Township can increase this balance in the future. A letter will be prepared to notify the parties that the Township will be increasing the balance by 10%.

INCREASE IN PENN WASTE FEES

Mrs. Casey reported the Harrisburg Incinerator has again increased its tipping fees to waste haulers. It is going up to \$70.88 per ton. The increase cost to the residents in its quarterly trash bill will be 20 cents. Effective July 1st the trash bill will be \$54.92 per quarter.

UCC APPEALS BOARD

Solicitor Wyland commented with the adoption of the State wide building code each municipality is required to have an appeals board so that if there is a disagreement with the Codes Officer for the Township, there is somewhere to appeal to. Most Municipalities found it was difficult to put together it's own appeals board. The West Shore Council of Governments with the assistance of an individual from an engineering firm, created a joint appeals board. This appeals board has attracted more members and is now called the Capital Regional Council of Governments. If the Township joins the Capital Regional Council of Governments you get to use its appeals board. The fee is around \$500.00 per appeal which the appellant pays and that covers the cost. He felt the COG was a sufficient way for the Township to handle appeals rather than trying to create its own appeals board.

- Chairman Espenshade noted the Township has an appeal before and how long does it have to act on it.
- Solicitor Wyland noted the Board could vote to join the Council of Governments so as soon as you get the application, it could be sent in and he could schedule the hearing in the required amount of time.
- Discussion was held. It was noted a decision would be made at the Workshop to be held on Tuesday, May 12th.

OTHER BUSINESS FROM THE BOARD

There was no other business from the Board.

BUSINESS FROM THE PUBLIC

There was no comment from the public.

Ms. Beudet made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah A. Casey

cc: Marie Beaudet
David Marshall
Keith Espenshade
Thomas Shutt
John Nelligan
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Curt Cassel

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