

East Norriton Township – Regular Meeting
August 24, 2010

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of East Norriton Township was called to order by the Chairwoman, Karen “Kandy” Heckman, at 7:04 p.m. on Tuesday, August 24, 2010, at the Township Municipal Building. Supervisors present were Karen “Kandy” Heckman, Donald J. Gracia, Harris A. Dainoff, James J. Serratore, and John A. Zurzola.

Following roll call, Mr. Gracia offered a prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance was then recited by all in attendance.

The Chairwoman introduced the first item on the agenda, Commendations – Officer Barry Lopoten and Officer Paul Ladson. Acting Police Chief, Karyl Kates presented Certificates of Commendation to Officer Barry Lopoten and Officer Paul Ladson for their professional and decisive action, which led to the arrest of a suspect who was attempting an armed robbery of the Viriva Credit Union. Acting Chief Karyl Kates read the Certificate into record.

The Chairwoman introduced the next item on the agenda, Awarding of Bid – Traffic Signal & Street Light Maintenance Contract. Mr. Serratore made a motion to award the bid for the Traffic Signal & Street Light Maintenance Contract to Charles A. Higgins & Sons, Inc. in the amount of \$14,414.00 as per the Township Engineers recommendation letter dated August 19, 2010. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Gracia and approved unanimously.

The Chairwoman announced that the Board of Supervisors met earlier this evening in Executive session to discuss matters of litigation and personnel.

The Chairwoman introduced the next item on the agenda, Approval of Meeting Minutes. Mr. Serratore made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of

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July 27, 2010. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Dainoff and approved unanimously.

The Chairwoman introduced the next item on the agenda, Finance Reports for July, 2010. Mr. Serratore made a motion to approve the Finance Reports and Receipts and Warrants for July, 2010. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Zurzola and approved unanimously.

The Chairwoman requested that the reading of the Committee Reports for July, 2010 be deferred and also commented that the Committee Reports were available on the table in the back of the meeting room. Mr. Dainoff made a motion to approve the Committee Reports for July, 2010. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Serratore and approved unanimously.

The Chairwoman asked if there were any Citizens to be heard; Mr. Zurzola commented that he had participated along with Lt. Kates, Harris Dainoff, Bryan Bortnichak and Vicki Schrack in the Bocce Tournament held by Norristown's Bocce League and the East Norriton Team won one of three games.

Mr. Serratore introduced the first item under "Old Business", Ordinance No. 528 – Amending Township Code – Adopting 2009 Fire Code. Code Enforcement Director, Bryan Bortnichak reviewed the Ordinance which would replace the BOCA National Fire Prevention Code and adopt by reference the 2009 International Fire Code. Mr. Serratore made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 528. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Gracia and approved unanimously.

Mr. Dainoff introduced the next item on the agenda, Ordinance No. 529 - Amending Township Code – Adopting 2009 Property Maintenance Code. Code

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Enforcement Director, Bryan Bortnichak reviewed the Ordinance which would replace the 2003 Property Maintenance Code. Mr. Serratore made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 529. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Zurzola and approved unanimously.

Mr. Serratore introduced the next item on the agenda, Resolution No. 2513 – Gill Quarries Subdivision. Code Enforcement Director, Bryan Bortnichak reviewed the Resolution and Mr. Gill's attorney Barry Pritchard, further reviewed the plan to subdivide the Gill Quarry property so that a large portion can be sold off. Mr. Serratore made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2513. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Gracia and approved unanimously.

Mr. Dainoff introduced the next item on the agenda, Resolution No. 2514 – participation in PA Storm Water Coalition. This matter was deferred to the next meeting in September.

Mr. Serratore introduced the next item on the agenda, Development and Construction Updates. Code Enforcement Director, Bryan Bortnichak reviewed: Valenza office building; the parking lot will be paved in the near future; Einstein crews are in the process of creating baffles for the stormwater and are placing 2 timber bridges over the pipeline; and Gill Quarries submitted their reclamation permit application to the DEP to make the pit a clean landfill.

Mr. Dainoff introduced the next item of Stormwater Drainage Issues/Projects - Mr. Woodrow announced that the DEP has granted the Township an extension of the MS4 permit for 9 months, and Staff Engineer Doug Jones stated that the Hazelton &

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Rahway Ave underdrain work to correct an icing condition, and at Norriton Fire Engine Co. Station B, the erosion on the swale has been corrected.

Mr. Serratore then introduced the next item; Traffic Issues – Mr. Jones noted that the Montgomery County Signals project is progressing; the Village of Caralea's three signals have been upgraded and will be fully operational in the very near future; and the Swede Rd water main project still has some restoration items to be taken care of. Resident Ed Duffy of 206 Hartranft Blvd. commented that he uses the Swede Rd and Hartranft Blvd. intersection multiple times a day and something has to be done about the delineators the resident has placed there. Resident Jim Dougherty noted that the light in front of Brightview has a turning issue to which Doug responded that it was just brought to his attention and he will look into it.

Mr. Dainoff introduced the next item; Sanitary Sewer Issues – in Mr. Rosenthal's of Gilmore & Associates, Inc. update on Einstein, he stated that they have asked the contractors to concentrate on the Marion Ave diversion. The roadway sawcutting has begun and the excavation and installation work on the sanitary sewer should begin next week and will last about three weeks. Mr. Dainoff asked about the Township's application for funding of the sewer force main slip lining project and Mr. Delamater said the awards will be made in November. Mr. Jones noted that the overflow problem at Germantown and Stanbridge St. has been resolved by capping an old portion of abandoned main.

Mr. Zurzola introduced the first item of "New Business", Resolution No. 2508 – Mr. Bortnichak reviewed this Resolution which would approve a sewer planning module for the Village of Caralea. Mr. Dainoff made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2508.

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After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Serratore and approved unanimously.

Mr. Gracia introduced the next item on the agenda; Resolution No. 2512 – Mr. Bortnichak reviewed this resolution which would grant Preliminary/Final approval of the Baptiste Subdivision at the end of Connor Ave. Mr. Serratore made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2512. After hearing comments, the motion was seconded by Mr. Gracia and approved unanimously.

Mr. Zurzola introduced the next item on the agenda; Resolution No. 2515 – an extension of Land Development approval for Tone 2000 - Mr. Bortnichak reviewed this resolution which would extend their approval until 2015. Mr. Piantone then requested to speak about his property and the problems marketing it. Mr. Serratore made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2515. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Zurzola and approved unanimously.

Mr. Gracia introduced the next item on the agenda; Resolution No. 2516 – request for waiver of Land Development for 2232 DeKalb Pike. Mr. Bortnichak reviewed this resolution which would expand the parking lot. Tim Woodrow noted their main concern is stormwater runoff and lighting but nothing to preclude the Board from approving.

Mr. Dainoff made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2516. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Serratore and approved unanimously.

Mr. Zurzola introduced the next item on the agenda; a request from the Sheffield Village Homeowners Assoc to close Sandra Lane on Sept 11th for a block party. Mr.

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Zurzola made a motion to approve the request. After hearing comments, the motion was seconded by Mr. Serratore and approved unanimously.

Mr. Gracia introduced the next item on the agenda; the Hillcrest Plaza & East Norriton Township Holiday Parade – Mr. Brown reviewed that the parade will take place Saturday December 4th, 2010.

Mr. Zurzola introduced the next item; Community Day Schedule & Events. Again Mr. Brown reviewed this program which will be held on September 11th and will run most of the day ending with a 9/11 remembrance and fireworks at 8:15 pm.

Mr. Gracia introduced the next item on the agenda, Expenditure Authorizations.

- A. Survivor Pension Benefits to Mrs. McGowan in the amount of \$1,220.69 per month
- B. Three Portable Flow Meters for sanitary sewer use - \$7,940.63
- C. Telephone System & Operations upgrade to Telephone Diagnostic Services - \$1,347.74 per month

Mr. Gracia made a motion to approve the expenditures and after hearing comments from Mr. Dainoff, the motion was seconded by Mr. Serratore and approved unanimously.

Mr. Zurzola introduced the next item on the agenda, Attendance Authorizations.

- A. FBI-NAA Re-trainer; School Violence – Lt. Kates & Sgt. Boyer
- B. American Red Cross – First Aide/CPR/AED Instructor Cert – Ofc. Homan
- C. Narcotics Investigations – Ofc. Hendricks

Mr. Zurzola made a motion to approve the attendance requests and after requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Serratore and approved unanimously.

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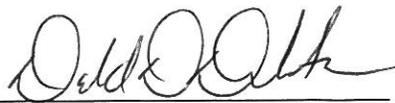
Mr. Gracia read the Supervisors Schedule of Meetings from August 30th thru October 2nd, 2010.

The Chairwoman asked Township Manager Don Delamater to review any recent or pending legislation to which he stated it has been pretty quiet since the Budget has passed. The public libraries subsidy has been cut back as well as sewage facility planning grants and sewage facility enforcement grants.

Mr. Zurzola introduced next item on the agenda, “Other Business”, and Chairwoman Heckman reminded everyone of the Township Offices new hours starting September first; 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. Mr. Gracia noted that there are two requests for sign fee waivers; one for St. Titus Fair and one for Habit for Humanity for their Grand Opening. Mr. Gracia made a motion to approve the fee waivers and after hearing comments from Mr. Zurzola, the motion was seconded by Mr. Serratore and approved unanimously.

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Chairwoman asked if there were any residents who wished to speak, Sue McLaughlin of 2926 North Whitehall Road questioned the berms between the homes and Einstein and why all the homes don't have them. Code Enforcement Director, Bryan Bortnichak stated that it is probably a stormwater control to guide the water towards the basin instead of their homes.

Mr. Serratore made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m. the motion was seconded by Mr. Dainoff and approved unanimously.



Donald D. Delamater
Secretary

