

East Norriton Township – Regular Meeting
July 26, 2011

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of East Norriton Township was called to order by the Chairwoman, Kandy Heckman at 7:02 p.m. on Tuesday, July 26, 2011, at the Township Municipal Building. Supervisors present were Karen “Kandy” Heckman, Donald J. Gracia, Harris A. Dainoff, James J. Serratore, III and John A. Zurzola.

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

Chairwoman Heckman introduced the first item on the agenda, Open Bids – for the sale of 1991 Dodge Ram 350, 48” Snow Blower Attachment and Hydraulic Plate Compactor Attachment. Chairwoman Heckman asked if there were any additional bids. Mr. Dainoff made a motion to close the bids for the sale of 1991 Dodge Ram 350, 48” Snow Blower Attachment and Hydraulic Plate Compactor Attachment. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Serratore and approved unanimously.

The bids were opened and read as follows by Township Manager, Donald Delamater: Dave Wenger for the 1991 Dodge Ram 350 - \$225.00; 48” Snow Blower Attachment - \$1,200.00 and the Hydraulic Plate Compactor Attachment - \$1,200.00. Mr. Serratore made a motion to defer the bid for consideration by township staff and award at the August regular meeting. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Gracia and approved unanimously.

Chairwoman Heckman introduced the next item on the agenda, Open Bids – New Police Uniforms. Chairwoman Heckman asked if there were any additional bids. Mr. Serratore made a motion to close the bids for the New Police Uniforms. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Gracia and approved unanimously.

The bids were opened and read as follows by Township Manager, Donald Delamater: Red the Uniform Tailor - \$16,070.35. Mr. Serratore made a motion to defer the bid for consideration by township staff and award at the August regular meeting.

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After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Zurzola 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. Dainoff made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 28, 2011. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Serratore and approved unanimously.

The Chairwoman introduced the next item on the agenda, Approval of the Finance Reports for June, 2011. Mr. Gracia made a motion to accept the Finance Reports. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Serratore and approved unanimously.

The Chairwoman introduced the next item on the agenda, Committee Reports for June, 2011. Mr. Dainoff made a motion to accept the Committee Reports. 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 comments from the Board of Supervisors, Mr. Zurzola thanked everyone for attending the Bocce Court Dedication.

The Chairwoman then asked if there were any Citizens to be heard; Rosemary Dillon of 101 Dorp Circle (Mrs. Dillon's parents reside in Coleston) expressed concern about a recent situation that occurred at 301 Francis Avenue involving law enforcement and that the property is designated as a Section 8 home. Mrs. Dillon asked if there was anything that the township could do. Mrs. Dillon also expressed that the property at 301 Francis Avenue is poorly kept. Chief of Police, Kary Kates responded to Mrs. Dillon that East Norriton Township has a proactive Police Department and once the situation was identified it was immediately addressed by the Police Department. Chief Kates welcomed

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Mrs. Dillon to contact her and Chief Kates would be happy to meet with Mrs. Dillon and the residents of the Coleston area. Code Enforcement/Zoning Officer, Bryan Bortnichak responded to Mrs. Dillon that the Code Enforcement Department is aware of the property and have spoken with the owner. Ed Duffy of 206 West Hartranft Blvd reviewed that Section 8 homes are designated by the County. Steve Wolfe of 325 Hancock Avenue questioned how a property owner applies for Section 8. Chairwoman Heckman stated that Section 8 is a County program. Mr. Wolfe asked for the Board of Supervisors help with this matter and the County. Francis Foley of 320 Francis Avenue also expressed his concern for the neighborhood. Karen Harbison of 210 Francis Avenue also expressed her concern for the neighborhood and that there are many children in the area. Beth Gleba of 2101 Third Street asked about Drug Free Area signs since they are located very close to a school. Chief Kates reported that the signs are posted within a certain number of feet from a school property line. The Board of Supervisors addressed the concerns of the residents and noted that the staff will look into the Section 8 housing concerns and respond back to Mrs. Dillon.

Mr. Serratore introduced the first item under “Old Business”, Ordinance No. 538 – Curative Amendment - Billboards. Township Solicitor, Christen Pionzio reviewed Ordinance No. 538 that was discussed in detail at the Public Hearing that was held earlier this evening. Mr. Zurzola made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 538. After requesting any comments, the motion was seconded by Mr. Serratore and approved unanimously. Deb Knawby of 3100 North Wales Road wanted to make other residents aware that this ordinance does not affect the current outdoor advertising company that is challenging to put up three billboards on Germantown Pike within the Commercial District instead of the current approved Industrial District. Mrs. Knawby asked if MC Outdoors has responded to the ordinance and if a date has been set for a hearing. Township Solicitor, Christen Pionzio reported that the Zoning Hearing Board will hear two matters filed by MC Outdoors on Tuesday, September 13, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Dainoff introduced the next item on the agenda, Ordinance No. 539 – Establishing Interest Rate on Municipal Liens. Township Manager, Donald Delamater reviewed and read Ordinance No. 539. Mr. Dainoff made a motion to approve Ordinance

No. 539. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Serratore and approved unanimously.

Mr. Serratore introduced the next item on the agenda, Resolution No. 2549 – Penn Crossing Dedication. Code Enforcement/Zoning Director, Bryan Bortnichak reviewed Resolution No. 2549. Mr. Serratore made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2549 – Penn Crossing Dedication. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Zurzola and approved unanimously.

Mr. Dainoff introduced the next item on the agenda, Resolution No. 2551 – P-Cards. Finance Director, Eric Traub reviewed Resolution No. 2551. Mr. Dainoff made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2551 – P-Cards. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Serratore and approved unanimously.

Mr. Serratore introduced the next item on the agenda, Development & Construction Update. Code Enforcement/Zoning Director, Bryan Bortnichak reviewed the development of an office building at the Hillcrest Plaza and the old Sunoco property on DeKalb Pike that has been purchased by PADOT and demolished for the upcoming Route 202 widening project. Chairwoman, Heckman asked about the Wendy's property. Mr. Bortnichak reported that the property is being posted tomorrow to cut the high grass and weeds within five days or the township will take action. The delay in the demolishing of the former Amoco station and constructing the new Wendy's results in a sixty day notice that Wendy's had to give to Amoco to remove the pump and treat station that had been installed to remediate the ground water contamination from the tanks that had leaked at the property. The cleanup has occurred within accordance DEP standards.

Mr. Dainoff introduced the next item on the agenda, Storm Drainage Issues/Projects. Staff Engineer/Public Works Director, Doug Jones reported that the design has been finalized for the Hannah Avenue and Kory Lane project and continuing with the plans for the Meadowbrook Road project. Township Engineer, Tim Woodrow reported on the modifications of the Hillcrest Plaza detention basin.

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Mr. Serratore introduced the next item on the agenda, Traffic Issues. Staff Engineer/Public Works Director, Doug Jones reviewed: 1. Montgomery County Signals Upgrade Project – job is sustainably complete and operating; 2. PennDOT’s Markley Street Improvement Project - is scheduled is for December, 2011; 3. Whitehall Road Bridge Rehabilitation - is proposed to begin either the Fall of 2011 or the Spring of 2012; and 4. Township Line Road Paving – PADOT project, scheduled for late August or September and to work is to be done during the evening hours.

Mr. Dainoff introduced the next item on the agenda, Sanitary Sewer Issues. Mr. Rosenthal of Gilmore and Associates, Inc. provided an update regarding the Germantown Force Main project –and reported that the project is underway and reviewed photos of the project on the smartboard. Mr. Rosenthal also reported that Einstein is to start the sanitary sewer work beginning August 8th.

Mr. Serratore introduced the next item on the agenda, Financial Update. Finance Director, Eric Traub provided an update of the Township’s financial condition.

Mr. Zurzola introduced the first item under “New Business”, Resolution No. 2550 – Authorizing the Disposition of Certain Records and Unusable Equipment. Township Manager, Donald Delamater reviewed and read Resolution No. 2550. Mr. Zurzola made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2550. After requesting any comments, the motion was seconded by Mr. Gracia and approved unanimously. Nick Viglianese of 3105 Whitehall Road asked if the destroyed files would be digitally kept. Township Manager, Donald Delamater responded that the majority of the files are financial files and will be destroyed. The township keeps record of all the files that are destroyed.

Mr. Gracia introduced the next item on the agenda, Resolution No. 2552 – Authorizing Advertisement to Sell Township Vehicles. Township Manager, Donald Delamater reviewed and read Resolution No. 2552. Mr. Zurzola made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2552 and advertise the sale of the Township vehicles. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Dainoff and approved unanimously.

Mr. Zurzola introduced the next item on the agenda, Pimlico Farm Development Wall Modifications. Township Engineer, Tim Woodrow reviewed the proposed wall modifications. Mr. Dainoff made a motion to approve the perimeter wall modifications at the Pimlico Farm Development that are proposed and approved by the Homeowners Association. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Gracia and approved unanimously.

Mr. Gracia introduced the next item on the agenda, Waiver Request – Habitat for Humanity. Code Enforcement/Zoning Officer, Bryan Bortnichak reviewed the temporary sign permit fee waiver request of \$30.00. Mr. Gracia made a motion to waive the \$30.00 temporary sign permit fee for Habitat for Humanity. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Zurzola and approved unanimously.

Mr. Zurzola introduced the next item on the agenda, 2nd Quarter Budget Adjustments. Finance Director, Eric Traub reviewed the proposed 2nd quarter budget adjustments. Mr. Dainoff made a motion to approve the 2nd quarter budget adjustments. 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 – Water Shut Off/Delinquent Sanitary Sewer Accounts. Township Manager, Donald Delamater reviewed the delinquent sewer accounts and the option to collect the past due amounts which includes shutting off water to the delinquent property. Mr. Dainoff made a motion to have the Township Manager prepare a resolution for review at next month's meeting. After requesting any comments, the motion was seconded by Mr. Gracia and approved unanimously. Nick Viglianese of 3105 Whitehall Road asked the Board while compiling the resolution to consider the hardship factor and the elderly. Rosemary Dillon of 101 Dorp Circle expressed as a homeowner that we need to collect these past due funds before they are passed onto the residents that pay their bills.

Mr. Zurzola introduced the next item on the agenda, Authorization to Submit an ARLE Grant Application. Staff Engineer/Public Works Director, Doug Jones reviewed the grant program. Mr. Zurzola made a motion to authorize the Township to submit the

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the rate increase request of Pennsylvania American Water Company scheduled for Thursday, July 28, 2011 at 1:30 p.m. at the Montgomery County Courthouse - Court Room A – Main and Swede Streets, Norristown PA.

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Chairwoman asked if there were any residents who wished to speak, to which there were none.

Mr. Gracia made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:46 p.m., the motion was seconded by Mr. Dainoff and approved unanimously.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Donald D. Delamater". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Donald D. Delamater
Secretary