

East Norriton Township – Regular Meeting
February 22, 2011

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of East Norriton Township was called to order by the Chairwoman, Kandy Heckman at 7:05 p.m. on Tuesday, February 22, 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 called on Township Manager Donald D. Delamater who reviewed that Sergeant Timothy Brennan has completed his probationary period and is eligible for permanent status. Mr. Serratore made a motion to permanently appoint Sergeant Brennan. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Zurzola and approved unanimously.

Chairwoman Heckman announced that the 2010 Distinguished Citizen has been awarded to Ralph M. Nealman. Mrs. Heckman then read the Certificate and presented the plaque to Mr. Nealman with the Board of Supervisors congratulations.

The Chairwoman introduced the next item on the agenda, Opening of Bids for the Germantown Pump Station Force Main Rehabilitation. Mrs. Heckman then asked if there were any additional bids. Mr. Gracia made a motion to close the bids for the Germantown Pump Station Force Main Rehabilitation. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Serratore and approved unanimously. The bids for the Germantown Pump Station Force Main Rehabilitation were opened and read by the Township Manager as follows:

<u>James T. O’Hara, Inc.</u>	Part A - no bid,	Part B - \$1,048,000.00,
	Bypass - \$2,500 per day,	Manholes - \$5,000 per manhole.
<u>Instituform Tech</u>	Part A - no bid,	Part B - \$793,725.00,
	Bypass - \$12,618 per day,	Manholes - \$15,000 per manhole.
<u>Spinello Companies</u>	Part A - \$915,500.00,	Part B - \$619,500.00,
	Bypass - \$4,000 per day,	Manholes - \$13,000 per manhole.
<u>Metra Industries</u>	Part A - \$1,290,000.00,	Part B - \$720,200.00,
	Bypass - \$3,000 per day,	Manholes - \$7,000 per manhole.

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Mr. Serratore made a motion to refer the bids to the Township Staff for review and recommendation at the March 22, 2011 Regular meeting. 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 on February 9th in a Special meeting, February 17th with the Norriton Fire Engine Company and 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 Re-Organization and Regular Meetings held on January 3, 2011 and the Special Public Meeting of February 9, 2011. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Gracia and approved unanimously.

The Chairwoman introduced the next item on the agenda, Approval of the Financial Reports for December 2010 and January 2011. Mr. Serratore made a motion to accept the Financial Reports. 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, Committee Reports for December 2010 and January 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, to which Mr. Dainoff made the announcement that this was National Engineers Week and wanted to recognize Mr. Tim Woodrow.

The Chairwoman then asked if there were any Citizens to be heard, to which there was no reply.

Mr. Serratore introduced the first item under "Old Business", Resolution No. 2535 - Curative Amendment. Mr. Serratore then called on Township Solicitor Christen Pionzio to review this matter. Mr. Serratore then made a motion to approve Resolution

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No. 2535. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Dainoff and Resolution No. 2535 was approved unanimously.

Mr. Dainoff next called on the Finance Director, Mr. Eric Traub to provide an update on the Township's financial condition.

Mr. Serratore introduced the next item on the agenda, Development & Construction updates. In the absence of Code Enforcement Director Bryan Bortnichak, Mr. Delamater, Township Manager reviewed the Einstein Project noting that the problem with the mud being tracked out onto Germantown Pike will hopefully be resolved when Einstein pours a concrete pad for the tire washing.

Chairwoman Heckman announced that the reason for Mr. Bortnichak's absence tonight was the arrival of his infant son earlier this week.

Mr. Dainoff introduced the next item on the agenda, Storm Drainage Issues/Projects. Mr. Jones stated that an issue he has been dealing with is the icing at the intersection of Potshop and Woodland. A small swale has been created and in the spring the area will be revisited to permanently prepare the swale. Mr. Gracia asked Mr. Jones to extend thanks to the Public Works crews for the excellent job in keeping the roads safe.

Mr. Serratore introduced the next item on the agenda, Traffic Issues. Doug Jones reviewed the ongoing traffic issues and noted that the Montco Signal Project has progressed with the Installation of the Mast Arms and signal heads at Germantown and N. Wales. Once all the new equipment is installed and the old equipment removed, work will begin on the ADA Ramps. PennDOT had not approved the Automated Red Light Enforcement Grant application as of yet.

Mr. Dainoff introduced the next item on the agenda, Sanitary Sewer Issues. Mr. Rosenthal of Gilmore and Associates stated the bids for the Germantown Force Main Rehabilitation Project were opened tonight and we are still waiting for the next meeting of the Commonwealth Finance Authority for a decision on the Grant Application for that project. Mr. Rosenthal then stated that the Einstein development has had all of the sewer

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work completed and testing is going smoothly. The annual Chapter 94 Report draft has been submitted to the Township staff for review.

Mr. Zurzola introduced the first item under “New Business”; Resolution No. 2531 - William Scurry - Honored Township Employee - Mr. Zurzola read the Proclamation and then made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2531. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Serratore and Resolution No. 2531 was approved unanimously.

Mr. Gracia introduced the next item; Resolution No. 2532 - Authorize execution of PaDOT 2008-2011 Project Letter - after review by the Township Manager, Mr. Dainoff then made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2532. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Serratore and Resolution No. 2532 was approved unanimously.

Mr. Zurzola introduced the next item; Resolution No. 2534 - Establishing a list of Towing Establishments - After calling on the Police Chief Kates to review this matter, Mr. Zurzola made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2534. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Serratore and Resolution No. 2534 was approved unanimously.

Mr. Gracia introduced the next item on the agenda; Authorize Bid Advertisement for Emergency Equipment for Police cars. Mr. Gracia again called on Chief Kates who provided a review of the equipment needed. Mr. Gracia made a motion to authorize the Bid Advertisement and after requesting any comments, and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Dainoff and approved unanimously.

Mr. Zurzola introduced the next item; ENGAA Sign Request and Waiver of Permit Fees. Mr. Zurzola called on Assistant Manager Mr. Brown who provided a review of this request. Mr. Serratore made a motion to approve the Sign request and the Waiver of permit fees for the ENGAA. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Dainoff and approved unanimously.

Mr. Gracia introduced the next item; authorizing advertisement for a proposed Ordinance adding certain No Parking Signs. Mr. Gracia called on Chief Kates who

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provided a review of the proposed Ordinance. Mr. Gracia made a motion to approve the advertisement and after requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was seconded by Mr. Serratore and approved unanimously.

Mr. Zurzola introduced the next item; Authorizing Advertisement for a Proposed Ordinance changing certain addresses on Barbara Drive. Mr. Zurzola called on Mr. Delamater to provide a review of the proposed Ordinance. After discussion, it was decided to table this item until the March 22, 2011 Regular meeting.

Mr. Gracia introduced the next item on the agenda; Vacancy on the Historical Advisory Commission. Mr. Gracia made a motion to appoint Mrs. Barbara Miller to the Township's Historical Advisory Commission for the balance of the term ending December 31, 2012. 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; 2010 Survey of Financial Condition. Mr. Zurzola called on Mr. Delamater who provided a review of the issue. Mr. Serratore made a motion to authorize the Chairwoman to execute the survey and 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; Alternate Sewer Connection Agreement with the owners of 1012 W. Germantown Pike. Mr. Gracia called on Mr. Delamater to review this matter after which Mr. Dainoff made a motion to approve the agreement. After requesting any comments, Mrs. Deborah Knawby of 3100 North Wales Road asked why this property now needs to purchase EDUs? Mr. Delamater explained that previously this lot has septic and is now going to connect to the public sewer system. The motion was seconded by Mr. Serratore and approved unanimously.

Mr. Zurzola introduced the next item on the agenda; the Annual Financial Audit Report of the ENPW Joint Sewer authority. Mr. Zurzola called on Mr. Delamater who provided a review of this informational item.

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Mr. Gracia introduced the next item on the agenda; The Fire Company Deferred Benefit Plan Amendment. Mr. Gracia called on Mr. Delamater to review this matter after which Mr. Serratore made a motion to approve the plan amendment. 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; Expenditure Authorization:

- A. Police Department copiers - 2 units, 5 year lease agreement
- B. 2011 Fire Company Deferred Benefit Plan contribution - \$19,000.00
- C. Montgomery County Lands Trust membership renewal - \$250.00
- D. Stony Creek Annual Trout Tournament - \$100.00
- E. American Legion Post Full Page Ad for Program Booklet - \$100.00.

Mr. Zurzola made a motion to approve the expenditures and 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, Attendance Authorization:

- A. Police Training – Det. Morrison - Forensic Software
- B. Police Training – Sergeant Pasquale - Firearms Instructor
- C. Police Training – Sgt. Boyer, Ofcs Carfrey & Thomson - Glock Armorer Cert.
- D. Police Training – Sgts. Pasquale, Brannen & Brennan - Accreditation Manager
- E. PELRAS Conference – Assistant Manager and Police Chief
- F. 2011 International Conference for Law Enforcement - April 28/29 - Chief Kates
- G. NASTT No-Dig Conference – March 27th – 30th - Public Works Director

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

Mr. Zurzola read the Supervisors Schedule of Meetings from February 24, 2011 thru April 22, 2011.

Chairwoman Heckman asked Township Manager Don Delamater to review any recent or pending legislation to which he stated he copied an article out of PA Township

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News about a new State Law which shifts financial burden from Townships to Property Owners of blighted properties and will take effect April 26, 2011.

Chairwoman Heckman asked if there was any Other Business to which there was no response.

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Chairwoman asked if there were any residents who wished to speak. Mr. Nick Viglianese of 3105 Whitehall Road asked about the status of the vacant lieutenant’s position in the Police Department and congratulated Mrs. Heckman for attending a School Board meeting. Mrs. Deborah Knawby of 3100 North Wales Road asked for a clarification on the status of the Self Cure Resolution regarding size of the billboards.

At 8:12 p.m. Mr. Gracia made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Serratore and approved unanimously.



Donald D. Delamater

Secretary



