East Norriton Township – Regular Meeting
February 25, 2014

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of East Norriton Township was called to order by the Chairman, John Zurzola at 7:04 p.m. on Tuesday, February 25, 2014, at the Township Municipal Building. Supervisors present were John A. Zurzola, Harris A. Dainoff, Marc A. Alfarano, Tina Howell and Angelina Salamone.

After roll call, Mr. Alfarano offered a prayer.

Chairman Zurzola asked for a moment of silence in memory John W. Fichter.

The Pledge of Allegiance was then recited by all in attendance.

Chairman Zurzola introduced the first item on the agenda, 2013 Distinguished Citizen Award. Mr. Dainoff read into record the 2013 Distinguished Citizen Award that the Board of Supervisors presented to Don Benn.

Chairman Zurzola introduced the next item on the agenda, Retirement Proclamations. Mrs. Howell read into record the Proclamation that the Board of Supervisors presented to William Esmonde honoring his illustrious career with the East Norriton Township Police Department since 1978. Mr. Alfarano read into record the Proclamation that the Board of Supervisors presented to Peter A. Mastrocola honoring his illustrious career with the East Norriton Township Police Department since 1972.

Chairman Zurzola announced that the Board of Supervisors met earlier this evening in Executive Session to discuss matters of litigation and personnel and at the Public Hearing held earlier this evening.

Chairman Zurzola introduced the next item on the agenda, Approval of Meeting Minutes. Mr. Dainoff made a motion to approve the minutes of the Reorganization Meeting and the Regular Meeting of January 6, 2014. The motion was seconded by Mrs.

Howell. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously.

Chairman Zurzola introduced the next item on the agenda, Approval of the Financial Reports for December 2013 and January 2014. Mr. Alfarano made a motion to accept the Financial Reports. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Salamone. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously.

The Chairman introduced the next item on the agenda, Committee Reports for December 2013 and January 2014. Mr. Dainoff made a motion to accept the Committee Reports. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Howell. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously.

Chairman Zurzola asked if there were any comments from the Board of Supervisors, there were none.

Chairman Zurzola then asked if there were any citizens to be heard, there were none.

Mr. Alfarano introduced the first item under "Old Business", Cole Manor Playground Project. Mrs. Rolon, Lead Teacher and Mrs. Rosen, parent and both committee members for the Cole Manor Elementary Playground Project gave a presentation on the recent fundraising efforts for the playground project.

Mr. Dainoff introduced the next item on the agenda, Old Arch Road Traffic Study Recommendations. Russell Benner from T & M Associates reviewed his letter dated February 20, 2014 outlining the feasibility of reducing the speed limit along Old Arch Road. Mr. Benner reviewed the criteria to have the speed limit posted at 25 MPH and stated that approximately 3,000 feet of Old Arch Road between Birchwood Drive and New Hope Street meets the requirement to allow the speed limit be posted 25 MPH and a

section of the road that does not qualify because of being classified as a business section. Mr. Benner recommended that the new speed limit be posted for both directions approximately 270 feet east of Birchwood Drive and approximately 150 feet east of Carol Lane and just west of the curve along Old Arch Drive. The segment of Old Ach Road considered a business district must remain at 35 MPH. Mr. Dainoff made a motion to authorize the Township Solicitor prepare an ordinance changing the speed limit as suggested by the Traffic Engineer for consideration at next month's meeting. The motion was second by Mr. Alfarano. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously.

Mr. Alfarano introduced the next item on the agenda, Reaffirm Declaration of Disaster Emergency. Mr. Delamater read and reviewed the Declaration of Disaster Emergency for the storms that occurred on or about February 3, 2014 and February 5, 2014. Mr. Alfarano made a motion to reaffirm the Declaration of Disaster Emergency. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Howell. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously.

Mr. Dainoff introduced the next item on the agenda, Appointment to the Human Relations Commission. It was found that a final vote was not taken at the January 6, 2014 Reorganization meeting for the appointment of Evelyn Hampton to the Human Relations Commission. Mr. Dainoff nominated Evelyn Hampton to the Human Relations Commission. Chairman Zurzola asked for any other nominations. There were none. Mr. Dainoff made a motion to close the nominations. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Howell. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously. Mr. Dainoff then made a motion to appoint Evelyn Hampton to the Human Relations Commission. The motion was seconded by Mr. Alfarano. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously.

Mr. Alfarano introduced the next item on the agenda, Industrial Development Authority Vacancy. The Township has been informed by Richard Carbonaro that he must

decline his appointment to the Industrial Development Authority because of an employment conflict. Chairman Zurzola recommended this item be tabled until the Township receives additional applications for consideration.

Mr. Dainoff introduced the next item on the agenda, Historical Advisory Commission Vacancy. The Township received notification from Elizabeth Wilson that she, unfortunately, must resign from the Historical Advisory Commission. Chairman Zurzola recommended this item be tabled until the Township receives additional applications for consideration.

Mr. Alfarano introduced the next item on the agenda, Ordinance No. 550 – Wireless Communications Facilities. Township Manager, Donald Delamater reviewed that this was the subject of a public hearing held prior to this evening's Regular meeting. Mr. Dainoff made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 550. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Salamone. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously.

Mr. Dainoff introduced the next item on the agenda, Bid Opening Results and Notice of Intent to Award Authorization. Township Engineer, Owen Hyne reviewed his letter dated February 21, 2014 stating one bid was received for the 2014 Microsurfacing project from Asphalt Paving Systems, Inc. bidding for Type A – Single Application in the amount of of $54, 152.00 and Type A – Double Application in the amount of $35,760.00. Mr. Hyne stated Remington & Vernick will review the contractor for compliance with the Township's Responsible Contractor Ordinance once the Notice of Intent to Award is approved. Mr. Hyne recommended that the Board of Supervisors approve the Notice of Intent to Award to Asphalt Paving Systems, Inc. Mr. Dainoff made a motion to accept Remington & Vernick's recommendation dated February 21, 2014 and approve the Notice of Intent to Award to Asphalt Paving Systems, Inc. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Howell. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously. Mr. Hyne reviewed his memo dated February 24, 2014 stating no bids

were received for the Equipment Rental with Operator (Prevailing Wage) Contract. Mr. Hyne recommended that the Township rebid the current Equipment Rental with Operator (Prevailing Wage) contract. Remington & Vernick will work with the Township to reach out to contractors and promote bidder participation. If the second solicitation should fail to receive bids, then they recommend that the Township restructure the contract. Mr. Dainoff made a motion to authorize the Township rebid the contract for Equipment Rental with Operator (Prevailing Wage). The motion was seconded by Mr. Alfarano. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously.

Mr. Alfarano introduced the next item on the agenda, Developments & Construction Updates. This item was deferred to next month's meeting.

Mr. Dainoff introduced the next item on the agenda, Storm Drainage Issue/Projects. Staff Engineer, Douglas Jones reported with the weather we have been having there is no progress with the current projects. Mr. Jones reviewed: A. North Wales Road Flooding and Recommended Grant Application – the Township is looking at an opportunity to apply for a grant that was brought to the Township's attention by Remington & Vernick. Mr. Hyne reviewed that the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission is currently offering a Transportation Alternatives Program, which includes stormwater management projects among eligible project types. The Township has experienced recurring stormwater and flooding issues around Calvert Hurdle Park area. The drainage issues extend upstream to nearby roads and to the neighborhoods upstream from North Wales Road. Mr. Hyne stated that the Township can address these issues by improving the storm sewer infrastructure at Calvert Hurdle Park and along North Wales Road and the grant funding would allow the Township to evaluate and replace aging and undersized storm sewers along North Wales Road. Mr. Alfarano made a motion to authorize preparation of the grant application. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Howell. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously.

Mr. Alfarano introduced the next item on the agenda, Traffic Issues. Staff Engineer, Douglas Jones reported: A. Penn DOT's Markley Street Improvement Project – due to the weather work is progressing slowly; and B. PA Water Company Water Main Replacement Project – three projects are pending for later this spring: Brambling Lane between Blackswift and Bunting Roads; Old Stanbridge Street between Dogwood and Dorp Lane and Briar Lane between Hillcrest Avenue and Stanbridge Road. Mrs. Howell questioned Mr. Jones about the natural gas odor at Johnson Hwy and Swede Road. Mr. Jones stated he was aware of the odor and had seen PECO in the area working on the gas main. Mr. Jones will follow up with PECO.

Mr. Dainoff introduced the next item on the agenda, Sanitary Sewer Issues. Staff Engineer, Douglas Jones reported: A. Stony Creek Sewer Main Repair Project – the project is completed, waiting for the weather to be more conducive for evaluating any final repairs. Mr. Jones reported that along with many residents, the Township's facilities were also affected by the the ice storm in early February. Six pump stations encountered power outages, the Township has portable generators that supply emergency power to the facilities that do not have onsite generators. Power was completely restored by Sunday.

Mrs. Howell introduced the first item under "New Business", School Resource Officer Grant Award. Mrs. Howell announced the Township's SRO program received a grant in the amount of $60,000 provided by the Department of Education's Office of Safe Schools which will be allocated towards the costs of the SRO Officer as outlined in the Township's agreement with the School District.

Mrs. Salamone introduced the next item on the agenda, NPDES Storm Water Ordinance. Township Engineer, Owen Hyne reviewed one of the major requirements of the Township's MS4 permit is to enact a new storm water management ordinance. The proposed ordinance updates and complies with DEP requirements. Mr. Dainoff made a motion to authorize advertisement of the proposed ordinance for consideration at the March 25, 2014 regular meeting. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Salamone. After

requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously.

Mrs. Howell introduced the next item on the agenda, Resolution No. 2629 – Reappointing the Tax Collection Committee (TCC) Delegates. Township Manager, Donald Delamater reviewed Resolution No. 2629 reappointing the Township's TCC delegates. Mrs. Howell made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2629. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Salamone. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously.

Mrs. Salamone introduced the next item on the agenda, Van Landegham Property Recreation Planning. Assistant Township Manager/Parks & Recreation Director, Larry Brown reviewed the proposed joint planning effort with West Norriton Township and the possible joint funding options to prepare the master development plan. Mrs. Howell stated she attended the West Norriton Township meeting. Mrs. Howell asked if there will be public meetings held for public input. Mr. Brown stated the meetings will be made public and one of the ideas being suggested is a dog park. Mr. Dainoff made a motion to authorize the joint planning effort with West Norriton Township and submission of a joint grant application. The motion was seconded by Mr. Alfarano. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously.

Mrs. Howell introduced the next item on the agenda, Recycling Policies and Guidelines. Township Manager, Donald Delamater reviewed the inconsistences with the Township recycling procedures and that a formal policy is not in place. Public Works Director, Douglas Jones reviewed a few of the issues that have been encountered. Staff will begin to come up with guidelines for review and consideration at future meetings.

Mrs. Salamone introduced the next item on the agenda, Penn Christian Academy Sign Permit Fee Waiver Request. Township Manager, Donald Delamater reviewed a letter dated February 10, 2014 from Penn Christian Academy requesting waiver of the sign permit fee for their upcoming Open House. Mrs. Howell questioned if non-profits needed waivers. Mr. Delamater stated that the Board of Supervisors waived non-profits posting in the Norristown Farm Park. Mr. Dainoff made a motion to waive the sign permit fee for

Penn Christian Academy's Open House. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Howell. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously.

Mrs. Howell introduced the next item on the agenda, DCED 2013 Survey of Financial Condition. Finance Director, Eric Traub reviewed the 2013 Survey of Financial Condition. Mrs. Howell made a motion to authorize the online submission of the survey. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Salamone. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously.

Mrs. Salamone introduced the next item on the agenda, Yard Waste Collection Updates. Staff Engineer/Public Works Director, Douglas Jones reported that due to the significant amount of properties affected during the latest ice storm, employees' encountered difficulty collecting yard waste that was put out for the normal collection. Mr. Jones is hoping in March, in conjunction with the normal monthly collection, to do a Township wide sweep for yard waste. The additional collection will be announced on the Township website and a Blackboard Connect call will be made.

Mrs. Howell introduced the next item on the agenda, Expenditure Authorization. A. Stony Creek Anglers - $100.00 and B. Montgomery County Lands Trust - $250.00. Mrs. Howell made a motion to approve items A and B. The motion was seconded by Mr. Alfarano. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously.

Mrs. Salamone introduced the next item on the agenda, Attendance Authorization. A. Police Training Request – Leadership Skills for Challenging Times – Officer Carfrey and B. PELRAS – March 19 – 21, 2014 – Larry Brown and Lt. Brandon Pasquale. Mrs. Salamone made a motion to approve items A. and B. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Howell. After requesting any comments and there being none, the motion was approved unanimously.

Mrs. Howell read the Supervisors Schedule of Meetings from February 28, 2014 thru April 28, 2014.

Chairman Zurzola asked Township Manager, Donald Delamater to review any recent or pending legislation. Mr. Delamater reviewed that at the January 6, 2014 regular meeting it was brought to the Board of Supervisors attention the Affordable Care Act and if the fire company would have to look into providing health insurance coverage for the volunteers. Mr. Delamater reported that since then the Federal government has advised that all volunteer fire fighters are exempt from the ACA.

Chairman Zurzola asked if there was any other business to come before the Board. Staff Engineer/Public Works Director, Douglas Jones wanted to make the residents aware of the Township's salt shortage and the how the Township is trying to manage the salt. Mr. Jones reported typically all the roads would be salted. Now they are concentrating on the main roads, snow emergency roads, hills, curves, and intersections.

Chairman Zurzola asked if there were any residents who wished to speak. David Brunner of 32 Brownstone Drive wanted to thank the Board of Supervisors for taking the initial steps with slowing the traffic down on Old Arch Road. Mr. Brunner asked if the Township has considered looking at possible ways at utilizing energy services companies to help upgrade infrastructures to gain savings with street lighting or other facilities. Staff Engineer/Public Works Director, Douglas Jones reported on the sanitary sewer side the Township has replaced regular pump drives with variable frequency pump drives to help save energy costs. In addition, the Township is in conversation with a supplier of LED street lighting to get an idea of cost and savings. The Township is open to cost and energy savings. Mr. Richard Mumma of 208 Beechwood Road speaking for himself and a few of his neighbors stated he would like to address a group home that recently move into 207 Beechwood Road. Mr. Mumma asked if the group home was legal in a BR1 section, how many patients are permitted to be in the three bedroom/one bathroom house, parking is an issue, if oxygen is in the facility shouldn't it posted on the property, and the residents would like to know what type of treatment and medical services are being performed on the property. Chairman Zurzola asked Mr. Mumma for a list of his concerns. Chairman Zurzola stated that Township staff and the Solicitor will review the concerns/comments

and the legality of what is being alleged and the requirements of group homes. Sue McLaughlin 2926 Whitehall Road questioned the generator at the intersection of Whitehall Road and Township Line Road. Staff Engineer/Public Works Director, Douglas Jones reviewed that piece of equipment is not a generator but temporary portable pump, the Township is awaiting parts to do a repair and get the pump station back in order.

Mr. Dainoff made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:07 p.m.; the motion was seconded by Mrs. Howell and approved unanimously.

TOWNSHIP OF EAST NORRITON MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PA. INCORPORATE MARCH 9, 1909 PENNSYLVANIA

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