

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
MEETING MINUTES  
January 7, 2008**

A Reorganization Meeting of the New Britain Township Board of Supervisors was held on January 7, 2008 at the Township Administration Building, 207 Park Avenue, New Britain Township, PA, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Present were Supervisors: Helen B. Haun, Robert V. Cotton, William B. Jones and A. James Scanzillo. Also present were: Robert Bender, Interim Manager; Cathy Kichline, Assistant Manager; Wayne Fultz, Superintendent Public Works; Robert Scafidi, Chief of Police; and Steve Moyer, Township Solicitor.

**Reorganization:**

**1. Nomination(s) and Appointment of Temporary Chair:** Mr. Jones was nominated as Temporary Chair. There were no further nominations.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Mrs. Haun, seconded by Mr. Cotton and unanimously carried to close the nominations and appoint Mr. Jones as Temporary Chair.

**2. Oath of Office; Supervisor A. James Scanzillo, Auditor Margaret Hunt, Auditor Douglas Hunt:** Judge Gaffney gave the Oath of Office to Supervisor A. James Scanzillo and Auditors Margaret Hunt and Douglas Hunt. Mrs. Haun noted that Mr. Jones had done a wonderful job as Chair and Mr. Cotton agreed.

**3. Approval of Resolution No. 2008-01, Appointments, Reappointments and Modifications of Appointments Effective January 7, 2008:**

**MOTION:** Upon motion by Mr. Cotton, seconded by Mrs. Haun, and unanimously carried, the Board adopted Resolution 2008-01, which among other things designated Mr. Scanzillo Chairman and Mr. Cotton Vice Chairman of the Board of Supervisors.

**Public Meeting:**

**1. Call to Order:** Mr. Scanzillo called the meeting to order.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance:** Mr. Scanzillo led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. Public Comment:** There was no public comment.

**4. Approval of Minutes from December 10 2007 Public Meeting:**

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Cotton, and unanimously carried, to approve the December 10, 2007 minutes as written.

**5. Old Business:** None

**6. New Business**

**6.1. Approval of Resolution 2008-02, Fee Schedule:** Mr. Bender noted this was a re-enactment of the 2007 Fee Schedule except for a lower Zoning Hearing Board fee and escrow for residential accessory structures.

**MOTION:** Upon motion by Mr. Cotton, seconded by Mrs. Haun, and unanimously carried, the Board adopted Resolution No. 2008-02, establishing the official schedule of fees and charges.

Mr. Bender suggested the staff review the Fee Schedule and have any recommended changes available by October 2008.

**6.2. Appointment of Street Name; Maurer Tract:**

**MOTION:** Upon motion by Mr. Cotton, seconded by Mrs. Haun, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the street name, Hazelwood Drive, for the Maurer Tract.

**6.3. Approval of Agreement Authorizing Hough Associates to collect 2008 recycling data and prepare 904 Recycling Grant Application:** Mr. Bender presented the recommendation.

**MOTION:** Upon motion by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Cotton and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Agreement authorizing Hough Associates to collect 2008 recycling data and prepare the 904 Recycling Grant Application.

**6.4. Approval of Land Preservation Consultant Agreement:** Mr. Bender presented a proposal from Fred Groshens. Mr. Groshens' term would be through December 31, 2008 for a fee of \$45.00 per hour, time determined by the Chairman of the Board.

**MOTION:** Upon motion by Mrs. Haun, seconded by Mr. Jones and unanimously carried, the Board appointed Mr. Groshens as Land Preservation Consultant through December 31, 2008.

**6.5. Neighborhood Commercial Zoning Amendment:** Steve Moyer presented an amendment to the Neighborhood Commercial Center, within the C-1 zoning district, providing for additional uses and amending the Table of Uses to permit the Neighborhood Commercial Center Use as a conditional use in the C-1 Zoning District.

**MOTION:** Upon motion by Mr. Bodden, seconded by Mr. Jones and unanimously carried, the Board approved advertising the Neighborhood Commercial Center zoning amendment. The Board will consider adoption of this at the meeting of January 28, 2008.

**6.6. Barner Road Vacation Ordinance:** Mr. Moyer explained the purpose of the Vacation of Barner Road from King Road to New Galena Road. The ordinance encapsulates the land preservation agreement and all adjoining property owners agreed to the vacation. He explained one condition imposed by the township is an emergency easement agreement, which will allow the township to open the road in the event of an emergency. The Barner Road sign will be taken down and replaced with a private road sign.

Robert Goldman commented that every cent of New Britain Tax dollars received toward the preservation of his property went toward additional preservation. Mr. Goldman also said he has been attempting to piece together the original farm. Bob Showalter stated he was curious to see what the township looked like back then. Theresa Browngold, Ferry Road, stated she supported the land preservation and vacation fully.

**MOTION:** Upon motion by Mrs. Haun, seconded by Mr. Jones and unanimously carried, the Board adopted Ordinance 2008-01-01, Barner Road Vacation.

**6.7. Lessor's Consent & Agreement with CNBEMS:** CNBEMS and First Savings Bank of Perkasio are entering into a Construction and Permanent Loan Agreement. The "Bank" has requested the "Lessor" New Britain Township to (1) consent to the Assignment and Leasehold Mortgage and, (2) provide the Bank with certain cure rights in addition to those cure rights currently provided to the Lessee in the Lease.

**MOTION:** Upon motion by Mr. Cotton, seconded by Mr. Jones and unanimously carried, the Board authorized Mr. Jones to sign the Lessor's Consent & Agreement.

**7. Board of Supervisors Reports:** Mr. Cotton reported that a Route 202, Section 700 report had been received and will be distributed. He noted that section 721 and 711 affect New Britain Township.

**8. Township Administration Comments.** Mr. Bender congratulated Mr. Jones on becoming a grandfather today.

Mr. Bender also thanked the zoning staff for their efforts in removing illegal signs. Removal will take place on weekends until there is no longer a necessity. Mr. Bender noted between 60 and 80 illegally placed signs have been removed in the last three weeks. Mr. Cotton noted it was a pleasure driving on Route 202 and not see any signs. The Township Solicitor is working on a nuisance sign ordinance.

**9. Solicitor and Engineer Comments:** None

**10. Payment of Bills:**

**MOTION:** Upon motion by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mrs. Haun and unanimously carried, the Board approved a bills list dated December 27, 2007 in the amount of \$69,271.82.

**MOTION:** Upon motion by Mr. Cotton, seconded by Mrs. Haun and unanimously carried, the Board approved a bills list dated January 7, 2008 in the amount of \$187,055.09.

**11. Public Comment:** Mr. Showalter noted the bridge at the carwash on Route 202 was scheduled to be replaced in 2010. He asked if there would be one or two lanes open. Mr. Cotton replied it was his understanding two lanes would remain open during construction.

**12. Executive Session:** Mr. Scanzillo announced an executive session would be held following the regular meeting with Fred Grohens for updates on Land Preservation.

**13. Adjournment:**

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Mr. Cotton, seconded by Mr. Jones, and unanimously carried, to adjourn at 7:55 p.m. into an executive session.

**NEW BRITAIN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

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A. James Scanzillo, Chair

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Robert V. Cotton, Vice-Chair

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John A. Bodden, Sr., Member

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Helen B. Haun, Member

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William B. Jones, Member

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cathy Kichline  
Secretary/Manager