

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
MEETING MINUTES  
October 7, 2013**

A Regular Meeting of the New Britain Township Board of Supervisors was held on Monday, October 7, 2013 at the Township Administration Building, 207 Park Avenue, New Britain Township, PA, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Present were Supervisors: Chair A. James Scanzillo, Vice Chair Robert V. Cotton, Members Helen B. Haun, William B. Jones, III, and John A. Bodden. Also present were Township Manager Eileen M. Bradley, Township Solicitor John B. Rice, and Township Engineer Craig Kennard.

- 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. Announcements:** Mr. Scanzillo announced that the Board had met prior to this meeting in Executive Session to discuss personnel issues, land preservation and litigation.
- 3.1. Resolution #2013-20 Recognizing 40 Years of Service of Chief Scafidi:** Mr. Cotton read Resolution #2013-20, acknowledging and commending Chief Robert Scafidi for 40 years of service with New Britain Township and thanked him for his selfless dedication to public service over the years.

**MOTION: A motion was made by Mr. Cotton, seconded by Mr. Jones and carried unanimously, to approve Resolution #2013-20, recognizing Chief Scafidi for his 40 years of service to New Britain Township.**

- 4. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items:**
  - 4.1. Hilltown Township Volunteer Fire Company Chief:** Mr. Jim Walter, Fire Chief of Hilltown Township Volunteer Fire Company (HTVFC) introduced himself to the Board of Supervisors, along with Brandon Woodward, President of the Board of Directors of HTVFC. Chief Scafidi stated that the Police Department has had an excellent working relationship with the HTVFC over the years.
- 5. Approval of Minutes:**
  - 5.1. Minutes of September 9, 2013 Board of Supervisors' Work Session Meeting:**

**MOTION: A motion was made by Mrs. Haun, seconded by Mr. Bodden and carried unanimously, to approve the September 9, 2013 Minutes as written.**
- 6. Departmental Reports:** Ms. Bradley reviewed the following monthly Reports: Public Works August Report and Code Department July and August Reports. Chief Scafidi reviewed the August Police Department Report.
- 7. Consideration of Old Business:** There was no old business at this time.
- 8. Consideration of New Business:**

**8.1. No Parking Area on Boulder Drive:** Ms. Bradley stated that a resident had requested that a small area of no parking be considered on Boulder Drive where it intersects with Chatham Court. The request was reviewed by Chief Scafidi and Public Works Superintendent Wayne Fultz, who agreed that "No Parking Here to Corner" signage would assist with sight distance at the intersections. Ms. Bradley asked the Board to direct the Township Solicitor to draft an ordinance and to advertise the adoption at a future meeting.

**MOTION: A motion was made by Mr. Boddien, seconded by Mr. Jones, and unanimously carried to direct the Township Solicitor to draft and advertise an ordinance for a no parking on Boulder Drive at its intersection with Chatham Court.**

**9. Consent Agenda:**

**MOTION: Upon motion of Mrs. Haun, seconded by Mr. Boddien, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the following Consent Agenda items: Professional Services Agreement of \$15,000 for land development of Lot #20-2, New Britain Corporation, 145 Liberty Lane, TMP #26-001-100-004; Waiver of 90-Day Review Period for Wordsworth/Pine Valley Crossing Associates.**

**10. Board of Supervisors Comments:** There was no Board of Supervisors comments at this time.

**11. Township Administration Comments:**

**11.1. Award of Consortium Salt Contract:** Ms. Bradley stated that the Bucks County Consortium had advertised a bid for road salt on behalf of its members. International Salt Co., LLC was the lowest bidder at \$50.44 per ton delivered. It is the recommendation of Mr. Fultz and Ms. Bradley to award the 2013-14 salt contract to International Salt Co., LLC.

**MOTION: A motion was made by Mr. Cotton, seconded by Mr. Boddien, and unanimously carried to award the 2013-2014 Salt Contract to International Salt Co., LLC at \$50.44 per ton delivered.**

**11.2. Zoning Hearing Board Applications for Thursday, October 17, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.**

A. Shon and Diane Weldon, 223 Willow Wood Drive, TMP # 26-035-047. The applicant seeks to install an in-ground swimming pool. The applicant seeks a rear yard setback variance (15 feet required, 0.8 feet proposed); and a variance from impervious surface ration (30% maximum required, currently at 32.36%, 39.56% proposed).

B. William and Andrea Hayes, 146 Circle Drive, TMP #26-006-143, RR District, Use B2, a reverse frontage lot. The applicant constructed a patio without permits and now seeks a variance to encroach into the required 50-foot rear buffer yard (encroaching 0.93 feet); and a variance and/or an interpretation to permit an impervious surface ration of 22.76% (20% maximum).

**MOTION: A motion was made by Mr. Boddien, seconded by Mrs. Haun, and unanimously carried to: take no action on the Hayes Application; and, to have the Township Engineer review the Weldon application and draft a review letter to have Staff present at the Zoning Hearing Board on October 17, 2013.**

**11.3. Neshaminy Greenway Phase III Project:** Ms. Bradley stated that a grant had been awarded for design work for the multi-municipal Neshaminy Greenway Trail Plan project. Portions of the Trail will run from Upper State Road by Unami Middle School to Blue Jay Park in Chalfont Borough. Doylestown Township, New Britain and Chalfont Boroughs are asking that New Britain Township contribute \$12,000 towards the matching portion of the grant. Ms. Bradley asked the Board to approve budgeting \$12,000 for the design in the 2014 Budget. Mr. Cotton stated that he believes the trail is important to the region at large.

**MOTION: A motion was made by Mr. Cotton, seconded by Mr. Jones, and unanimously carried to approve budgeting \$12,000 for the Neshaminy Greenway Phase III Design Project.**

**11.4. 1995 Ford Dump Truck Public Works Vehicle for Sale:** Ms. Bradley announced that a Public Works 1995 Ford Dump Truck was placed for sale on MuniBid.com and bids would be accepted until 11:00 a.m. on Friday, October 18, 2013. A contract could be awarded at the Board of Supervisors Meeting on Monday, October 21, 2013, beginning at 9:00 a.m. Bids were only being accepted through the website MuniBid.com.

**11.5. BCPC Neshaminy Creek Sediment Reduction Assessment Grant Application Support:** Ms. Bradley stated that the Bucks County Planning Commission was seeking a Letter of Support for a Grant Application to create an implementation plan for reducing sediment loads in a portion of the Neshaminy Creek.

**MOTION: A motion was made by Mrs. Haun, seconded by Mr. Bodden, and unanimously carried to approve a Letter in Support of the Bucks County Planning Commission's Neshaminy Creek Sediment Reduction Assessment Grant Application.**

**11.6. Moser Pet Resort Final Release:** Ms. Bradley stated that the Moser Pet Resort's 18-month Maintenance Period was due to expire and asked that the Final Release be tabled until a later date. The owner had completed work from a punch list, but grass germination had not occurred.

**11.7. Resolution #2013-21 Records Dissolution:**

**MOTION: A motion was made by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mrs. Haun, and unanimously carried to approve Resolution #2013-21, for Records Dissolution of Administrative documents.**

**12. Solicitor and Engineer Comments:**

**12.1. Milligan Property, 28 Teresa Lane:** Mr. Rice stated that the Milligan property was scheduled for tax sale on November 17, 2013, at which time the Township would attempt to purchase the property. Mr. Rice gave a brief background of the property to the attending residents, stating that the parcel was an orphan property that had no outstanding mortgage on the property, but was subject to municipal and utility tax liens. Mr. Bodden added that the property is uninhabitable and an eyesore for the neighbors.

**13. Other Business:** There was no other business at this time.

**14. Public Comment:** There was no public comment at this time.

**15. Payment of Bills:**

**15.1. Bills List dated October 2, 2013, 2013 for \$163,035.50:**

**MOTION: Upon motion by Mr. Jones seconded by Mrs. Haun, the Board unanimously approved the Bills List dated October 2, 2013 for \$163,035.50.**

**16. Adjournment:**

**MOTION: There being no further business or comment, a motion was made by Mrs. Haun, seconded by Mr. Bodden and unanimously carried, to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m.**

**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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Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Eileen M. Bradley  
Secretary/Manager