

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
MEETING MINUTES  
September 11, 2017**

A Regular Meeting of the New Britain Township Board of Supervisors was held on Monday, May 1, 2017, at the Township Administration Building, 207 Park Avenue, New Britain Township, PA, beginning at 9:00 a.m. Present were Supervisors: Chair A. James Scanzillo, Vice Chair John A. Bodden, Sr., Members Helen B. Haun, Gregory T. Hood and William B. Jones, III. Also present were Township Manager Eileen M. Bradley, Township Solicitor Peter Nelson, Esq., and Township Engineer Janene Marchand.

**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. A moment of silence was observed to mark the 16<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the September 11 tragedy.

**3. Announcements:** Mr. Scanzillo announced that the Board had met in Executive Session on Monday, August 21, 2017 at 7:40 p.m. to discuss personnel issues. The Board also met in Executive Session prior to this Meeting to discuss personnel issues and land acquisition

**4. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items:** There was no Public Comment at this time.

**5. Approval of Minutes:**

**5.1. Minutes of Meeting of August 21, 2017:**

**MOTION: A motion was made by Mr. Bodden, seconded by Mrs. Haun and unanimously approved to accept the August 21, 2017 Minutes as written.**

**6. Departmental Reports:** There were no Departmental Reports at this time.

**7. Consideration of Old Business:**

**7.1. Chalfont-New Britain Township Joint Sewer Authority:** Chalfont-New Britain Township Joint Sewer Authority (CNBTJSA) Executive Director John Schmidt, Board Chairman Joseph Bonner and Board Member Gustave Haun were present to represent the CNBTJSA. Mr. Schmidt reviewed the progress of Phase 3 construction of plant expansion. Mr. Schmidt stated that once this final phase was finished, the total cost of the project would be roughly \$6 million.

Mr. Jones asked if the recent fire at their facility had any effect on operations. Mr. Schmidt stated that on May 23, 2017, a fire broke out in the sludge dryer building. The fire also damaged the adjacent building roof. The dryer, which had been off during construction of a new metal roof, was turned back on. Interior plywood smoldered all day, and eventually caught fire in late afternoon. The fire did not have an effect on their ability to service residents, but added cost due to having to haul sludge out to another processor.

Mr. Schmidt stated that three different insurance companies were involved, and that all repairs and additional operational expenses incurred due to this fire would be covered by insurance. Ms. Bradley asked if they had been given the go ahead to begin repairs. Mr. Schmidt responded that repairs were already underway.

Mr. Bodden asked if they had checked the other flues on the property. Mr. Schmidt stated they had, but that none of the other flues burned fuels like the one that had caught fire.

Mrs. Haun asked if they would still be using a metal roof after the fire. Mr. Schmidt said that they were, however, there would be no attic and the ceiling rafters would be exposed. Mr. Schmidt added that it would take about two months before the dryer would be operational. The incident would cost the insurance companies roughly \$1 million in the end.

Mrs. Cynthia Jones of Circle Drive asked if the sewer line was installed along Upper State Road for the Frost Tract before school started. Mr. Schmidt stated that the timeline was met and the sewer line had been successfully installed before Labor Day.

**7.2. Neshaminy Creek TMDL/PRP Adoption:** Ms. Bradley stated that the Board had discussed the Neshaminy Creek Total Maximum Daily Load/Pollution Reduction Plan (TMDL/PRP) on several occasions. The Plan had been presented to the public, advertised and made available for comment for a minimum of 30 days. No public comment had been received. Ms. Bradley recommended adoption of the TMDL/PRP, to be submitted to DEP as part of the Township's NPDES MS4 Permit Application.

**MOTION: A motion was made by Mrs. Haun, seconded by Mr. Bodden and carried unanimously, to adopt the Neshaminy Creek Total Maximum Daily Load/Pollution Reduction Plan and to submit final application for New Britain Township's 2018 -2023 NPDES-MS4 Permit.**

## **8. Consideration of New Business:**

**8.1. Authorization to Advertise Ordinance Amendment for New Traffic Control on E. Schoolhouse Road:** Ms. Bradley stated that she was seeking authorization to advertise an amendment for new traffic control on E. Schoolhouse Road between Upper State Road and Manor Drive. Following an engineered traffic study of the area, a stop sign would be moved from Tartan Terrace to Krista Court, and a new stop sign would be erected at Prince William Way. Additional cautionary signage would also be added throughout the area.

Ms. Cynthia Jones asked if there was any ability to add a left-turn signal arrow at Schoolhouse and W. Butler Avenue. Mrs. Marchand explained that an arrow was not warranted per PennDOT specifications. Every time a new development project in the vicinity was proposed, the Township required the developer to submit a traffic study of the intersection. When the PennDOT warrants are met, that developer would be required to make the necessary improvements to the intersection system. Ms. Bradley added that she would have the timing of the light examined in the short term.

**MOTION: Upon motion by Mr. Hood, seconded by Mr. Jones, and carried unanimously, the Board approved advertisement of an ordinance amendment for new traffic control on E. Schoolhouse Road between Upper State Road and Manor Drive.**

## **9. Consent Agenda:**

**MOTION: Upon motion by Mr. Bodden, seconded by Mr. Jones, the Board unanimously approved the following Consent Agenda items: Professional Service Agreement for 505 W Butler Avenue, LLC for subdivision of TMP #26-006-096, 505 W Butler Avenue, with corresponding legal and engineering escrow of \$15,000.00; Professional Service Agreement for Colebrook Properties, LP for subdivision of TMP #26-001-106-002, 26-001-106-003, 26-001-106-004, 26-001-106-005, parcels in and around Schoolhouse Road and Barry Road, with corresponding legal and**

**engineering escrow of \$2,500.00; Professional Service Agreement for Nick and Ashley Pompei for construction of a single-family dwelling of TMP #26-014-004, Layle Lane, with corresponding legal and engineering escrow of \$5,000.00.**

Ms. Cynthia Jones asked if any plans were submitted for the subdivision plan of the Nolen property that indicated potential uses of the property. Ms. Bradley stated that the applicant submitted for subdivision only. No land development plans were submitted, and none would be approved.

Mr. Bodden asked if plans had been submitted for the self-storage facility in the old ACME building. Ms. Bradley stated that no application had been submitted as of the prior Friday.

**10. Board of Supervisors' Comments:** Mr. Bodden took a moment to acknowledge the victims of September 11 as well as those victims and first responders impacted by the recent hurricanes in Texas and Florida.

Mr. Jones stated that there was nominal turnout for Friday's Movie in the Park showing of the movie Beauty and the Beast. In the future, he hoped for better weather to get a larger attendance.

**11. Township Administration Comments:**

**11.1. 2017-2018 Consortium Salt Contract:** Ms. Bradley stated that results of the Bucks County Consortium's 2017-2018 Salt Bid had been received. She stated that it was the recommendation of Wayne Fultz, Superintendent of Public Works, and herself that the Board award a contract to the apparent lowest bidder, Morton Salt, Inc. at \$48.82 per ton delivered. Ms. Bradley noted that last year's bid amount was \$59.48.

**MOTION: A motion was made by Mrs. Haun, seconded by Mr. Hood and carried unanimously, to award the 2017-2018 Salt Contract to Morton Salt, Inc. for \$48.82 per ton.**

**11.2. Doylestown Waste Recycling Zoning Hearing Board Application:** Ms. Bradley stated that on Thursday, September 21, 2017 at 7:00 p.m., the ZHB would consider the application of Doylestown Waste Recycling, LLC for the property at 1510 Swamp Road, TMP #26-012-059-002, in the OP-Office Park Zoning District, owned by TF Partners, LP, for variances to an F3-Recycling Collection Center Use. The Applicant sought variances to allow modifications to the F3 Use: namely to allow the recycling of additional materials such as untreated wood, drywall, particle board, shingles, concrete, stone, brick, block and other construction-related materials; and to increase the daily allowable tonnage to up to 250 tons per day (100 tons currently allowable). Interested parties were encouraged to attend. Ms. Bradley recommended leaving the issue up to the Zoning Hearing Board.

**11.3. Land Acquisition:** Ms. Bradley requested authorization to order an appraisal of a certain property discussed in Executive Session, for the purposes of potentially acquiring a conservation easement.

**MOTION: A motion was made by Mrs. Haun, seconded by Mr. Bodden and carried unanimously, to authorize Township staff to obtain an appraisal of a certain property for purposes of potentially acquiring a conservation easement.**

**11.4. Construction Easement and Right-of-Way Acquisition for Culvert Construction:** Ms. Bradley stated that she would also need authorization for appraisals for certain properties for acquisition of additional rights-of-way and temporary construction easements for culvert replacements on Sellersville and Walter Roads.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Mr. Hood, seconded by Mr. Jones and carried unanimously, to authorize Township staff to obtain appraisals for certain properties for acquisition of additional rights-of-way and temporary construction easements for culvert replacements on Sellersville and Walter Roads.

**12. Solicitor and Engineer Comments:** There were no Solicitor or Engineer Comment at this time.

**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 September 1, 2017 for \$57,546.13:**

**MOTION:** Upon motion by Mr. Bodden, seconded by Mrs. Haun, the Board unanimously approved the Bills List dated September 1, 2017 for \$57,546.13.

**15.2. Bills List dated September 7, 2017 for \$132,699.11:**

**MOTION:** Upon motion by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Hood, the Board unanimously approved the Bills List dated September 7, 2017 for \$132,699.11.

**16. Adjournment:**

**MOTION:** There being no further business or comment, a motion was made by Mr. Bodden, seconded by Mr. Jones, and unanimously carried, to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 a.m.

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Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Eileen M. Bradley  
Secretary/Manager