

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING MINUTES
April 17, 2017**

A Regular Meeting of the New Britain Township Board of Supervisors was held on Monday, April 17, 2017, at the Township Administration Building, 207 Park Avenue, New Britain Township, PA, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Present were Supervisors: Vice Chair John A. Bodden, Sr., Members Helen B. Haun and Gregory T. Hood. Also present was Township Manager Eileen M. Bradley.

- 1. Call to Order:** Mr. Bodden called the Meeting to order.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance:** Mr. Bodden led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3. Announcements:** Mr. Bodden announced that the Board had met in Executive Session prior to this Meeting to discuss land acquisition, and litigation.
- 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 April 3, 2017:

MOTION: A motion was made by Mrs. Haun, seconded by Mr. Hood and unanimously approved to accept the April 3, 2017 Minutes as written.

6. Departmental Reports:

- 6.1. Code Department Report for March 2017:** Ms. Bradley presented the Code Department Report for March 2017.
- 6.2. Police Department Report for March 2017:** Chief Scafidi presented the Police Department Report for March 2017.

Chief Scafidi also stated that the Department had been receiving phone calls from residents about wild animals such as coyotes and foxes with most of the sightings occurring around Peace Valley Park and Skyline Drive.

Mrs. Cynthia Jones of Circle Drive asked whom residents should call regarding potentially dangerous animals. Chief Scafidi stated that if the animals appeared to be sick, residents should call "911"; otherwise, residents should contact the Gaming Commission.

Mrs. Jones also stated that she was a fan of the Crime Watch Program. Chief Scafidi stated that the program was still being implemented, but would connect the Police Department to Township residents through social media.

- 6.3. Public Works Department Report for March 2017:** Ms. Bradley presented the Public Works Dept. Report for March 2017.

- 7. Consideration of Old Business:** There was no Old Business at this time.

8. Consideration of New Business:

8.1. Authorize Advertisement of Ordinance Instituting No Parking on Trewigtown Road: Ms. Bradley stated that the proposed ordinance would address hazardous parking conditions on Trewigtown Road created by Hatfield Ice World on County Line Road and Trewigtown Road in Hatfield Township. Parking would now be prohibited along the full length of the road in New Britain Township.

Mr. Hood asked if the ordinance would address line-of-site issues created by cars parking in the fields around the same area. Ms. Bradley stated that Police could ticket individuals for blocking line-of-site, but that they had no recourse to remove vehicles on private property. Chief Scafidi stated that they do have parking available for patrons at the businesses on County Line Road. Ms. Bradley stated that Hatfield Ice World does have signs posted stating that patrons could be subject to fines if they did not park in designated areas.

MOTION: Upon motion by Mrs. Haun, seconded by Mr. Hood, and carried unanimously, the Board authorized advertisement of the Ordinance Instituting No Parking along Trewigtown Road.

8.2. Authorize Advertisement of Omnibus Zoning Ordinance: Mr. Bodden stated that the proposed ordinance would update sections of the Zoning Ordinance.

MOTION: Upon motion by Mr. Hood, seconded by Mrs. Haun, and carried unanimously, the Board authorized advertisement of the Omnibus Zoning Ordinance.

9. Consent Agenda: There were no Consent Agenda Items at this time.

10. Board of Supervisors' Comments: There were no Board of Supervisor's Comments at this time.

11. Township Administration Comments:

11.1. 2017 Road Program Paving Bid Opening April 27, 2017: Ms. Bradley announced that sealed bids would be accepted until 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, April 27, 2017, for a Bituminous Wearing Course Contract on certain Township roads; and for an Ultra-Thin Bonded Wearing Course Contract for certain roads.

11.2. Ford F-550 Dump Body: Ms. Bradley stated that Public Works Superintendent Wayne Fultz was seeking approval to purchase a dump body for \$41,669. Ms. Bradley reminded the Board that the Ford Cab had already been ordered; and the Body would take several months to build and install. The total cost for the truck was scheduled to come in under budget.

MOTION: A motion was made by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Hood and carried unanimously, to proceed with ordering a Ford F-550 Dump Body for \$41,669.

11.3. New Galena Road Bridge Project Contract: Ms. Bradley stated that the Township had received all the necessary documentation from Descoco Design & Construction, Inc. for the New Galena Road Bridge Reconstruction Project, and that all the paperwork was in order. She recommended that the Township authorize the Township Manager to execute the contract for \$664,730.58.

MOTION: Upon motion by Mr. Hood, seconded by Mrs. Haun, and carried unanimously, the Board authorized the Township Manager, Eileen M. Bradley, to execute the contract with Descoco Designs & Construction, Inc. for reconstruction of the New Galena Road Bridge.

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

13. Other Business: There was no Other Business at this time.

14. Public Comment: Mr. Shon Weldon of Willow Wood Drive asked if \$50,000 dollars had been paid to Baker International for design work on the Neshaminy Greenway Trail Project. Ms. Bradley stated that at a prior meeting, the Township authorized contracting with Baker International for \$50,000 in design work on the Trail Project. Work was ongoing, but no bills had been presented for payment.

Mr. Bodden acknowledged Boy Scout Troop #36 and thanked them for attending.

15. Payment of Bills:

15.1. Bills List dated April 12, 2017, for \$288,759.73:

MOTION: Upon motion by Mrs. Haun, seconded by Mr. Hood, the Board unanimously approved the Bills List dated April 12, 2017, for \$288,759.73.

16. Adjournment:

MOTION: There being no further business or comment, a motion was made by Mrs. Haun, seconded by Mr. Hood, and unanimously carried, to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

NEW BRITAIN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

A. James Scanzillo, Chair

John A. Bodden, Sr., Vice Chair

Helen B. Haun, Member

Gregory T. Hood, Member

William B. Jones, III, Member

Attest: _____
Eileen M. Bradley
Secretary/Manager