

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING MINUTES
October 17, 2011**

A Regular Meeting of the New Britain Township Board of Supervisors was held on Monday, October 17, 2011 at the Township Administration Building, 207 Park Avenue, New Britain Township, PA, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Present were Supervisors: Chair Helen B. Haun, Vice Chair William B. Jones, and Members, Jim Scanzillo, and Robert V. Cotton. Also present were Township Manager Eileen M. Bradley, Township Solicitor John Rice and Township Engineer Craig Kennard.

1. **Call to Order:** Mrs. Haun called the Meeting to order.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Mrs. Haun led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **Announcements from the Chair:** There were no announcements from the Chair.
4. **Public Comment:** There was no public comment at this time.
5. **Approval of Minutes from October 3, 2011 Public Meeting:**

MOTION: Upon motion of Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Cotton, and unanimously carried, the Minutes of October 3, 2011 were approved as written.

6. Departmental Reports:

6.1. Public Works Department: Mr. Fultz presented the Public Works report for September 2011. Mr. Fultz stated that Renovations have begun on West Branch Park, with fields currently being filled and rough graded.

AQUA PA is currently replacing water mains in Brittany Farms and will restore the roads once work is completed.

Excess rainwater has recently caused Dolly Lane and Devan Drive to buckle. Mr. Fultz is in the process of inspecting the severity of the damage and looking into what actions to take to fix the roads.

6.2. Police Department: Ms. Bradley presented the Police Department Report for September 2011.

6.3. Code Department: Mr. Teschner presented the Code Report for September 2011.

7. Old Business:

7.1. New Britain Township Business Alliance Presentation: On September 24, 2011, the New Britain Township Business Alliance held a 5K Race to benefit the development of Veterans Park. Race Coordinator Dr. Craig Hall, along with NBT Business Alliance President Leslie Bilotta, Treasurer Cathy Scanlon, Secretary Jen Ashenfelter and other members, presented a check in the amount of \$4,000.00 to Veterans Committee Chair Marco Tustanowsky and Vice Chair William Malone. The Board and Committee thanked the Alliance for their generous efforts.

7.2. Execution of Ivers Tract Record Plans: Ms. Bradley asked the Board to execute the Ivers Tract Record Plans.

MOTION: Upon motion of Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Scanzillo, and unanimously carried, the Board approved execution of the Ivers Tract Record Plans.

8. New Business: There was no new business at this time.

9. Consent Agenda:

MOTION: Upon motion by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Scanzillo, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the following Consent Agenda items: Moser Pet Resort Release #2 for \$105,386.04; Reserve at New Britain Release of \$3,732.00 to Autumn Hill for required tree replacement; and Execution of Grosse Stormwater Operation and Management Agreement Access Easement, which allows Township access to private facilities.

10. Board of Supervisors' Comments: Mr. Cotton reported that the Township is currently in talks with PennDOT about replacing the Township sign at County Line Road and Upper State Road that was demolished during the 202 Parkway construction.

Mrs. Haun asked if stormwater management was being enforced on Manor Drive across from the CHOP building. Ms. Bradley stated that she had spoken to Erik Garton of Gilmore. Problems were caused by the management company's contractor mowing where they were not suppose to. Ms. Bradley will follow up with Erik Garton to make sure that the management company is taking the right actions to correct the problem.

11. Township Administration Comments:

11.1. Degrandis Zoning Hearing Board Application: Ms. Bradley stated that Mr. and Mrs Degrandis have applied to the Zoning Hearing Board to construct a single family detached dwelling, requesting multiple dimensional variances and a variance to disturb agricultural soils. Ms. Bradley recommended that the Board make no recommendation to the Zoning Hearing Board on this application.

11.2. Stouch Lighting Proposal: Ms. Bradley presented the Board with a proposal from Stouch Lighting to retrofit the Administration Building, Police Station, and exterior lights with LED lights and other high efficiency lighting. The initial cost to the Township would be approximately \$17,000, with the cost of the project being made back within two years in savings in utility bills and maintenance costs. Ms. Bradley asked the Board for approval of the proposal and authorization to immediately proceed.

MOTION: Upon motion of Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Scanzillo, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the proposal from Stouch Lighting for \$17,000.00 to retrofit the Administration Building, Police Station and exterior lights commencing immediately.

12. Solicitor & 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: Resident Marco Tustanowsky asked Ms. Bradley if the Police Report is consistent with other months. Ms. Bradley stated that it is consistent, but that the summer months showed a higher number of vandalism and thefts from unlocked vehicles.

15. Payment of Bills: List dated 10/14/11 for \$176,943.26; List dated 10/14/11 for \$50,193.88:

MOTION: Upon motion by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Cotton, the Board unanimously approved the Bills List dated October 14, 2011 for \$176,943.26. Mr. Jones added that \$130,000 of the \$176,943.26, is to pay Bray Brothers for the 2011 Road Paving Program.

MOTION: Upon motion by Mr. Scanzillo, seconded by Mr. Cotton, the Board unanimously approved the Bills List dated October 14, 2011 for \$50,193.88.

16. Adjournment:

MOTION: There being no further business or comment, a motion was made by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Scanzillo, and unanimously carried, to adjourn the Meeting at 7:35 p.m.

NEW BRITAIN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Helen B. Haun, Chair

William B. Jones, Vice Chair

A. James Scanzillo, Member

Robert V. Cotton, Member

John A. Bodden, Member

Attest: _____
Eileen M. Bradley
Secretary/Manager