

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING MINUTES
March 18, 2019**

A Work Session Meeting of the New Britain Township Board of Supervisors was held on Monday, March 18, 2019, at the Township Administration Building, 207 Park Avenue, New Britain Township, PA, beginning at 7:00 a.m. Present were Supervisors: Chair A. James Scanzillo, Vice Chair Helen B. Haun, Members William B. Jones, III, Gregory T. Hood, and Cynthia M. Jones. Also present were Township Manager Eileen M. Bradley, Chief of Police Robert Scafidi, Superintendent of Public Works Ryan Cressman, Township Solicitor H. Peter Nelson, Esq. and Township Engineer Janene Marchand, P.E.

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 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 March 4, 2019:**

MOTION: A motion was made by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mrs. Haun and unanimously approved to accept the March 4, 2019 Minutes as written.

6. **Departmental Reports:**

- 6.1. **Code Department Report for February 2019:** Ms. Bradley presented the Code Department Report for February 2019.
- 6.2. **Police Department Report for February 2019:** Chief Scafidi presented the Police Department Report for February 2019.
- 6.3. **Public Works Department Report for February 2019:** Mr. Cressman presented the Public Works Department Report for February 2019.

7. **Consideration of Old Business:** Mr. John Schmidt of Chalfont New Britain Township Joint Sewage Authority (CNBTJSA) was in attendance to discuss ongoing projects within the Sewer Authority. Mr. Schmidt stated that plant construction and upgrades had been completed. A proposal had been made to relocate the existing pump house at Tower Hill Meadow to New Galena Road in the area of Veterans Park. The pump house is proposed to be built on land belonging to Bucks County. CNBTJSA had received feedback from the County, and it had been suggested to look for an alternate location that would not disturb the trees along the creek. Mr. Schmidt added that CNBTJSA was looking to purchase a new sludge dryer for the facility.

8. **Consideration of New Business:**

8.1. **Dow Easement Amendment:** Ms. Julie Von Spreckelsen, Esq. of East Burn and Gray was in attendance with Mr. Glenn Dow of Madigan Way to request an amendment to the Declaration of Covenants, Easements,

Conditions and Restrictions Agreement and Natural Resource Protection Easement dated November 16, 2017 for the Final Subdivision Plan of the Frost Tract (Rolling Ridge Subdivision). Mr. Dow proposed to install an in-ground swimming pool in the rear yard, however, much of this area consisted of a Natural Resource Protection Easement. Mr. Dow proposed to “swap” 1,287 square feet of the existing easement area in the rear yard for an equivalent area in the side yard. No trees would be removed or disturbed as part of the swap.

MOTION: A motion was made by Ms. Haun, seconded by Mr. Hood and unanimously approved to allow the Dow Easement Amendment to proceed.

9. Consent Agenda:

MOTION: Upon motion by Mrs. Haun, seconded by Mrs. Jones, the Board unanimously approved the following Consent Agenda item: Execution of a Co-Applicant Agreement for a Highway Occupancy Permit for Enclosed Surface Stormwater Facilities for the Naplin One LR Project at 4371 County Line Road, TMP #26-005-002-004

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

11. Township Administration Comments:

11.1. American Red Cross Blood Drive March 28, 2019, from 2:00 to 7:00 pm: Ms. Bradley announced that the Township would sponsor an American Red Cross Blood Drive on March 28, 2019 from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Registration was now open and information could be found on the Township's website and social media pages.

11.2. Consortium Road Materials Contract Award: Mr. Cressman stated that the Consortium Stone and Road Materials Bid was hosted by New Britain Township, with bids opened on February 25, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. Mr. Cressman recommended the following contract awards for approval: Eureka Stone Quarry for blacktop at \$49.25 per ton and Eureka Stone Quarry for Stone at various prices. He stated the cost per ton of black top was up \$1.30 per ton from last year.

MOTION: A motion was made by Mrs. Haun, seconded by Mrs. Jones and carried unanimously, to award the Township 2019-2020 Blacktop Supply Contract to Eureka Stone Quarry at \$49.25 per ton and to award the Stone Supply Contract to Eureka Stone Quarry at various prices per size.

11.3. Proposed Earth Disturbance Permit Program: Township Zoning Officer Devan Ambron presented the Board with a proposal to institute a Grading/Stormwater Management/ Earth Disturbance Permit for projects that propose over 1,000 square feet of earth disturbance. With regard to grading and swimming pool permit reviews for zoning and stormwater management compliance, there was an outstanding issue.

Ms. Ambron stated that past practice had been that the water surface of a swimming pool was not included in the impervious surface coverage calculations, as a pool is a collector of rainwater. This practice conflicted with the Township Stormwater Management Ordinance that stated that swimming pools must be considered impervious because they prevent groundwater recharge. After legal and engineering consultation, a two-pronged review was recommended by Staff.

A project that proposed 1,000 s.f. or more of disturbance would be reviewed for zoning compliance, where the swimming pool would be considered pervious for purposes of zoning (current policy). A pool would NOT be calculated into the maximum impervious surface area for the entire property. The project would then be reviewed from a stormwater management perspective, wherein the pool surface MUST be accommodated into

stormwater management BMPs as impervious. Ms. Bradley stated that this would be a slight change to procedure, achievable by adoption of a revised Fee Schedule resolution.

11.4. Capital Expenditure Budgeting: Ms. Bradley presented the Board with a Capital Expenditure Report that would be discussed at future meetings.

12. Solicitor and Engineer Comments: There were no Solicitor comments at this time. Mrs. Marchand reported that there was a Change Order request from Doli Construction on the Sellersville Twin Culvert Project which was under review for the next meeting. The Rolling Ridge and Pine Glen Subdivisions were preparing for dedication and the 18-Month Maintenance Period.

13. Other Business: Chief Scafidi reported that an attempted burglary had occurred at a property on County Line Road where a doorbell camera was utilized in the investigation. An identification of the suspect was achieved within hours using footage from the doorbell camera.

14. Public Comment: Ms. Anna Ehling of Upper Stump Road stated that this was the first Work Session meeting she had attended and found it to be very informational and productive.

15. Payment of Bills:

15.1. Bills List dated March 8, 2019 for \$844.23:

MOTION: Upon motion by Mrs. Jones, seconded by Mrs. Haun, the Board unanimously approved the Bills List dated March 8, 2019 for \$844.23.

15.2. Bills List dated March 13, 2019 for \$107,176.58:

MOTION: Upon motion by Mrs. Haun, seconded by Mrs. Jones, the Board unanimously approved the Bills List dated March 13, 2019 for \$107,176.58.

15.3. Bills List dated March 13, 2019 for \$230,000.00:

MOTION: Upon motion by Mr. Hood, seconded by Mrs. Haun, the Board unanimously approved the Bills List dated March 13, 2019 for \$230,000.00.

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 10:08 a.m.

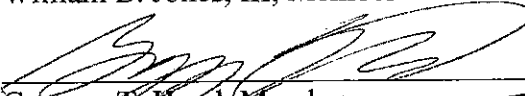
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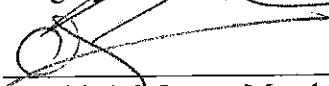
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Attest: 
Eileen M. Bradley
Secretary/Manager

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