

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING MINUTES
January 23, 2012**

A Regular Meeting of the New Britain Township Board of Supervisors was held on January 23, 2012 at the Township Administration Building, 207 Park Avenue, New Britain Township, PA, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Present were Supervisors: Chair William B. Jones, Vice Chair A. James Scanzillo, Members John A. Bodden and Helen B. Haun. Supervisor Robert V. Cotton was absent due to his response to a hazardous materials accident. Also present were Township Manager Eileen M. Bradley, Township Solicitor Peter Nelson, and Township Engineer Craig Kennard.

1. Call to Order: Mr. Jones called the Meeting to order.

2. Pledge of Allegiance: Mr. Jones led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Announcements: Mr. Jones announced that the Board had met in Executive Session at 6:00 p.m. to discuss land acquisition and litigation issues.

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

5. Approval of Minutes from January 3, 2012 Public Meeting:

MOTION: A motion was made by Mr. Scanzillo, seconded by Mrs. Haun, and unanimously carried, to approve the January 3, 2012 Minutes as written.

6. Departmental Reports:

6.1. Public Works Department: Mr. Fultz presented the Public Works Report for December 2011 and 2011 Year End Report.

6.2. Police Department: Ms. Bradley presented the Police Department Report for December 2011, which included Year End figures.

6.3. Code Enforcement: Ms. Bradley presented the Code Enforcement Report for December 2011 and 2011 Year End Report.

6.4. Planning Commission and Zoning Hearing Board: Ms. Bradley presented the Planning Commission and Zoning Hearing Board Reports for 2011 Year End.

7. Consideration of Old Business:

7.1. Waiver of 90 – Day Clock by Madison/BPG: Ms. Bradley reported that Madison/BPG had requested A Waiver of their 90-Day Clock and that Madison would be presenting their plan to the Board of Supervisors at a February meeting.

8. Consideration of New Business:

8.1. Stout Lot Line Change – Resolution #2012-06: Ms. Bradley presented Resolution #2012-06 outlining conditions of approval of the plan entitled “Final Plan, Lot Line Adjustment for Theresa M. Stout”, as prepared by Gilmore and Associates, dated November 8, 2011 for TMP #26-012-058-001, owned by Theresa M. Stout and TMP #26-012-059-003, owned by the County of Bucks. The plan incorporates 7.87 additional acres into Peace valley

Park and preserves the riparian areas of the Hardiakan Creek. The lot line change also provides additional right-of-way to the Township along New Galena Road, needed for the New Galena Bridge replacement.

MOTION: Upon motion by Mrs. Haun and seconded by Mr. Bodden, the Board unanimously approved Resolution #2012-06, granting waiver of land development and approving the Stout Lot Line Change.

8.2. Brosious Minor Subdivision: Appearing for the Brosious Minor Subdivision was engineers Rachael Butch and Bob Showalter of Showalter & Associates and Mr. Karl Brosious, owner. Ms. Butch presented the Board with a plan for a two-lot Minor Subdivision on Ferry Road, one lot containing an existing home and the second proposed for new construction of a single-family home. Plans had not been submitted to DEP or PennDOT. The Applicant is requesting Preliminary approval only with five waivers as listed on a letter dated January 9, 2012. After much discussion over roadway frontage improvements, curbs and sidewalks, the Board deferred granting any waivers until Final approval application review.

MOTION: Upon motion by Mr. Bodden and seconded by Mr. Scanzillo, the Board unanimously granted conditional Preliminary Approval with no waivers, of the Brosious Minor Subdivision, subject to compliance with the Bucks County Planning Commission review letter dated November 22, 2011, the New Britain Township Planning Commission letter dated January 10, 2012, the Gilmore & Associates review letter dated January 18, 2012, and compliance with all Township Ordinances.

8.3. No Parking on E. Cornwall Proposed Ordinance: Mr. Jones opened the Hearing for a proposed no parking ordinance. At the request of a resident, Ms. Bradley presented an ordinance that would prohibit parking in a certain section of E. Cornwall Drive at its intersection with Route 152. As there was no public comment, the hearing was closed.

MOTION: Upon motion by Mrs. Haun and seconded by Mr. Bodden, the Board unanimously approved Ordinance #2012-01-01, Amending Chapter 15 – General Provisions, restricting parking along a certain section of E. Cornwall Drive and Prescribing Penalties for the Violation Thereof.

9. Consent Agenda:

MOTION: Upon motion by Mr. Bodden, seconded by Mrs. Haun, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the following Consent Agenda item: Future Stars Day Camp/Michael Rush Professional Services Agreement to erect an office building at Route 313 and King Road with an escrow of \$2,500.00.

10. Board of Supervisors Comments: Mrs. Haun reported that the North Branch Watershed received a written request from the Township asking for volunteers to plant trees at West Branch Park in the fall of 2012. The Township has applied for a Tree Vitalize Grant through the Bucks County Conservation District that would help with the cost of purchasing trees and shrubs for the Park. Ms. Bradley added that she had just received word that day that the Township had been awarded the grant from the Bucks County Conservation District.

11. Township Administration Comments:

11.1. Bridge Reconstruction/Renovation Project Update: Ms. Bradley reported that acquisition of Right of Way might be required due to a redesign of the bridge footers. The relocation of two utilities poles would also need to be done. The proposed construction schedule may be delayed until these issues are resolved.

11.2. Park Avenue Lane Striping: Ms. Bradley reported that the Township had sent a Highway Occupancy application to PennDOT for striping along Park Avenue. Once approval is received, the Public Works Department

will install the striping along Park Avenue near the North Branch Park driveway entrance. The striping is designed to increase pedestrian and vehicle safety.

11.3. Newsletter Printing Contract Awarded: It is the recommendation of Ms. Bradley and the Park and Recreation Board that the Township award the printing of the 2012 Township Newsletters to Tri-County Printers, LTD, the lowest bid received. Tri-County has been used in the past by the Township and the cost for three newsletters to be printed is \$3,327.00.

MOTION: Upon motion by Mrs. Haun and seconded by Mr. Bodden, the Board unanimously accepted Tri-County Printers, LTD’s bid to print our 2012 newsletters at a cost of \$3,327.00.

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

13. Other Business: There was no other business.

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

15. Payment of Bills:

15.1. Bills List dated January 20, 2012 for \$192,084.43 (includes \$70,440.23 in WC, medical and life insurance premiums):

MOTION: Upon motion by Mrs. Haun, seconded by Mr. Bodden, the Board unanimously approved the Bills List dated January 20, 2012 for \$192,084.00.

16. Adjournment:

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

NEW BRITAIN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

William B. Jones, Chair

A. James Scanzillo, Vice Chair

Robert V. Cotton, Member

John A. Bodden, Member

Helen B. Haun, Member

Attest: _____
Eileen M. Bradley
Secretary/Manager