

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING MINUTES
February 24, 2014**

A Regular Meeting of the New Britain Township Board of Supervisors was held on January 24, 2014 at the Township Administration Building, 207 Park Avenue, New Britain Township, PA, beginning at 7:05 p.m. Present were Supervisors: Chair John A. Bodden, Sr., Vice Chair Robert V. Cotton, Members A. James Scanzillo, William B. Jones, III and Helen B. Haun. Also present were Township Manager Eileen M. Bradley and Township Solicitor Peter Nelson.

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 prior to this meeting in Executive Session to discuss personnel issues, 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 January 27, 2014 Board of Supervisors' Regular Meeting:

MOTION: A motion was made by Mr. Cotton, seconded by Mr. Scanzillo to approve the January 27, 2014 Minutes as written. The motion carried on a vote of four to zero, with Mr. Jones abstaining due to absence from that meeting.

6. Departmental Reports:

6.1. Code Department Report: The Code Department Report for January 2014 was presented.

6.2. Police Department Report: Chief Scafidi presented the Police Department Report for January 2014.

6.3. Public Works Department Report: The Public Works report for January 2014 was tabled until the next Board of Supervisors meeting.

7. Consideration of Old Business:

7.1. Public Hearing: Ordinance #2014-02-01, Curb Assessment Ordinance: The Public Hearing was opened at 7:12 p.m. Mr. Nelson stated that Ordinance #2014-02-01 authorized the assessment and collection of charges for each lot abutting curbs that had been replaced by the Township in parts of the Brittany Farms Subdivision, and providing for collection of all expenses and construction costs pursuant to Section 2401 of the Second Class Township Code. Mr. Nelson stated that the work was completed in 2013 and the final bill to the contractor had been paid. This Ordinance would allow the Township to place a lien on properties that did not paid their curb bill to the Township or set up payment arrangements. There was no public comment at this time. The Public Hearing was closed at 7:17 p.m.

MOTION: Upon motion by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mrs. Haun, the Board approved the Curb Assessment Ordinance #2014-02-01 on a vote of four to one, Mr. Cotton opposed.

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

9. Consent Agenda:

MOTION: Upon motion of Mrs. Haun, seconded by Mr. Cotton and unanimously carried, the Board approved the following Consent Agenda items: Professional Services Agreement with corresponding legal and engineering escrow of \$25,000.00 for The National Shrine of Our Lady Czestochowa, 654 Ferry Road, TMP #26-011-059, for construction of a columbarium; Professional Services Agreement with corresponding legal and

engineering escrow of \$2,500 for Michael Ivers, 75 N. Chapman Road, TMP #26-012-056-003, for construction of a barn; Final Release of escrow of \$687.70 for Red Fox Ridge/Armin & Beverly Frost.

10. Board of Supervisors Comments: Mr. Cotton stated that although the Chalfont Village Shopping Center had fixed several potholes on their property, there were still multiple potholes in the parking lot that needed to be fixed. Mr. Cotton also indicated that there was a large “bump” at Hampshire Drive and Shire Drive that needed to be addressed by the Public Works Department.

Mrs. Haun inquired about the traffic light timing at Butler Avenue and Schoolhouse Road. Ms. Angela Benner indicated that there had been issues between the traffic system installation company and PennDOT. She would follow up with Public Works Superintendent Wayne Fultz in regard to this matter.

11. Township Administration Comments: There were no comments at this time.

12. Solicitor and Engineer Comments: There were no comments 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 January 31, 2014 for \$14,371.91:

MOTION: Upon motion by Mr. Scanzillo, seconded by Mrs. Haun, the Board unanimously approved the Bills List dated January 31, 2014 for \$14,371.91.

15.2. Bills List dated February 24, 2014 for \$207,946.01:

MOTION: Upon motion by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Cotton, the Board unanimously approved the Bills List dated February 24, 2014 in the amount of \$207,946.01.

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 7:30 p.m.

NEW BRITAIN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

John A. Bodden, Sr., Chair

Robert V. Cotton, Vice Chair

A. James Scanzillo, Member

Helen B. Haun, Member

William B. Jones, III, Member

Attest: _____
Eileen M. Bradley
Secretary/Manager