

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING MINUTES
June 5, 2023**

A Regular Workshop Meeting of the New Britain Township Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday, June 5, 2023, at the Township Administration Building, 207 Park Avenue, New Britain Township, PA, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Present were Supervisors: Chair William B. Jones, III, Vice-Chair Stephanie Shortall, Members, Gregory T. Hood, and MaryBeth McCabe, Esq. Also present were Township Manager Matt West, Assistant Manager Michael Walsh, Public Works Superintendent Ryan Cressman, Police Chief Richard Clowser, Township Engineer Craig Kennard, P.E., and Township Solicitor Sean Gresh, Esq. Cynthia M. Jones joined the meeting via Zoom.

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. **Chair Comments:** Mr. Jones announced that the Board had met in Executive Session before the Meeting to discuss personnel issues, land acquisition, and litigation.
4. **Presentation Items:** (Information only. Possible action to be taken by the Board at the next Business meeting.)

A. Township-wide Road Paving Plan

Assistant Planning & Zoning Officer Ryan Gehman and Township Manager Matt West presented the Board with Roadbotics data obtained by driving every road the Township maintains and taking a picture every 10 feet to evaluate the road condition. The Board discussed the presentation, and no action was taken.

B. CHOP Construction Waiver

5. **Subdivision/Land Development Projects:** (Information only. Possible action to be taken by the Board at the next Business meeting.)

A. 505 West Butler Avenue – Sketch Plan

William Benner, Esq. and Rachel Butch, P.E., appeared on behalf of the applicant. The applicant presented updated details of their sketch plan for 505 West Butler Avenue. The board discussed the sketch plan with the applicant and the Township's professionals.

No action was taken at this time.

B. 137 South Limekiln Pike Preliminary/Final Plan

Rachel Butch, P.E., and James D'Angelo, the applicant, appeared before the Board to discuss the Preliminary/Final Plan for 137 South Limekiln Pike. The applicant presented updated plan details and the necessary zoning relief for the project. The board discussed the preliminary/final plan with the applicant and the Township's professionals.

No action was taken at this time. This item will appear on the June 19th Business Meeting agenda for consideration for approval.

6. Zoning Hearing Board Applications:

A. 206 Julie Road

Mr. Gresh presented the Board with the details of the 206 Julie Road Zoning Hearing Board application. The applicant and his attorney were present to discuss the application with the Board. The board discussed the application and took no action. The zoning hearing board will decide.

7. Information Items:

A. Departmental Updates:

i. Administration:

1. **July & August Meeting Cancellation:** Mr. West stated the Township's past practice has been to cancel meetings in July & August. He stated that staff would be communicating with the Board to determine which meetings the Board would like to cancel each month. No discussion took place, and no action was taken.

2. **Sale of a 2015 Dodge Charger:** Mr. West stated the Township had placed a 2015 Dodge Charger on Municibid, and the vehicle sold for \$5,100 and would require the Board's approval at the June 19th Business Meeting because the price exceeded \$2,000. No action was taken at this time.

3. **Highpoint Development Name Discussion:** Mr. West stated that Foxlane Homes had asked for the Board's feedback about the proposed name for the new development at Highpoint. The Board discussed and was not in favor of the proposed name. Mr. West said he would communicate the Boards feedback to Foxlane Homes.

ii. Police:

1. **Purchase of a new police vehicle:** Chief Clowser provided an update on purchasing a new police vehicle for the Police Department. The purchase of the new police vehicle would be presented for Board action at the June 19, 2023, Business meeting.

iii. **Public Works:** Mr. West provided the Public Works update.

iv. **Parks & Recreation:** Mr. West provided the Public Works update. Mrs. Jones stated that an attendee of the last Parks & Recreation meeting requested the Township investigate adding pickleball courts and more active recreation facilities for older residents. The Board discussed Mrs. Jones's comments, and no action was taken.

v. **Finance:** Mr. West provided the Finance update.

B. Board Comments: Mr. Hood requested a status report for the Act 537 Update. Mr. Kennard and Mr. West stated that a meeting was scheduled for the next two weeks.

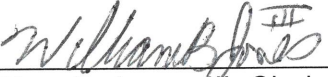
8. Public Comment: Scott Fischer of New Galena Road suggested adjusting CHOP's hours of operation.

9. Announcements: Mr. Jones announced that the Board's next meeting was on Monday, June 19, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. and called for a motion to adjourn.

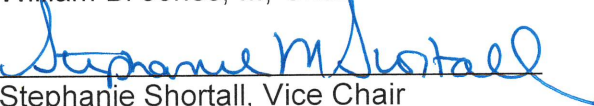
10. Adjournment:

MOTION: There being no further business or comment, a motion was made by Ms. McCabe, seconded by Mrs. Shortall, and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:47 pm.

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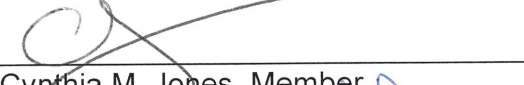


William B. Jones, III, Chair

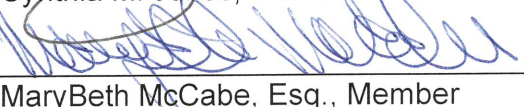


Stephanie Shortall, Vice Chair


Gregory T. Hood, Member



Cynthia M. Jones, Member



MaryBeth McCabe, Esq., Member

Attest: 

Michael Walsh
Secretary/Township Manager