# REGULAR SEMI-MONTHLY MEETING January 13, 2009

The regular semi-monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors, Hanover Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania, was called to order by Chairman John N. Diacogiannis at the Hanover Township Municipal Building, 3630 Jacksonville Road, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, 18017 at 7:30 P.M.

Present were Supervisors Walbert, Salvesen, Nagle and Tanczos, Engineer Birdsall, Solicitor Broughal, Public Works Director Kevin Healy and Township Manager, John J. Finnigan, Jr.

The Pledge of Allegiance was performed.

Upon motion of Mr. Salvesen, seconded by Mr. Walbert, the Board approved the Agenda with an addition of an Executive session for Personnel Matters and an addition and a revision under Administration.

Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Tanczos aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye.

Upon motion of Mr. Nagle, seconded by Mr. Tanczos, the Board approved the minutes, as written, from the meeting of the Board of Supervisors dated December 9, 2008. Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Tanczos aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye.

Upon motion of Mr. Nagle, seconded by Mr. Tanczos, the Board approved the minutes, as written, from the meeting of the Board of Supervisors dated January 5, 2009. Mr. Salvesen abstain, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Tanczos aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye.

Upon motion of Mr. Nagle, seconded by Mr. Salvesen, the Board approved the List of Bills and Transfers dated January 13, 2009 as prepared by the Secretary/Treasurer, and to enter the signed List of Bills by the Secretary/Treasurer and the Board of Supervisors as an attachment to the minutes.

Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Tanczos aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye.

### **COURTESY OF THE FLOOR**

It was noted that no one wished to offer any comment.

#### REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN

Mr. Diacogiannis had nothing to report.

#### REPORT OF THE VICE-CHAIRMAN

Mr. Walbert had nothing to report.

## SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS & ROAD REPORTS

It was noted that no one had any comments.

Mr. Nagle – Road District #1 and #5, Mr. Walbert – Road District #2, Mr. Salvesen – Road District #3, Mr. Tanczos – Road District #4 and Mr. Diacogiannis – Road District #5 had nothing to report on any district.

### APPOINTMENTS & RESIGNATIONS

Mr. Nagle moved that the Board approve to appoint Ms. Linda Young-Bandala, of 1261 Oakside Drive, to the Shade Tree Advisory Commission with the term expiring January 1, 2014. Mr. Nagle moved to authorize the Secretary to notify Ms. Young-Bandala and the Shade Tree Advisory Commission of the appointment.

Mr. Salvesen seconded the motion.

Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Tanczos aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye.

### PLANNING & ZONING

Mr. Walbert introduced a petition for Interpretation of Zoning Ordinance and Variance for 5580 Crawford Drive: Martins Farm Market Inc. (Weis Market).

Mr. Diacogiannis directed the Township Solicitor and Township Engineer to attend the Zoning Hearing Board meeting to oppose request from Martins Farm Market Inc. (Weis Market), requesting interpretation of the Zoning Ordinance to allow on-line shopping with curbside parcel pick up and variance for the use of the I-shop, located at 5580 Crawford Drive, in a C2R (Restricted Commercial Center) zoning district.

Mr. Finnigan explained the details of the "on-line" shopping / curbside pick up.

Mr. Walbert moved that the Board approve the following Ordinance No. 2009-01, Brake Retarder Ordinance, which restricts the use of brake retarders on certain Township roads, and that the Chairman and Secretary be authorized to sign the Ordinance.

#### ORDINANCE NO. 09-01

AN ORDINANCE ENACTED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF HANOVER TOWNSHIP, NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA,
ENACTING RESTRICTIONS ON THE USE OF BRAKE RETARDERS
ON CERTAIN ROADS WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP AND REPEALING
ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT HEREWITH

Mr. Salvesen seconded the motion.

Mr. Finnigan explained the necessity of having this Ordinance; it makes revisions that are supported by PennDOT and incorporates recent traffic studies.

Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Tanczos aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye.

Mr. Walbert moved that the Board approve to authorize the Township Solicitor to advertise the following proposed Ordinances; the Proposed Ground Source Heat Pump Ordinance, the Proposed Small Wind Energy Systems, Patios and Decks Ordinance, the Proposed Bee and Apiary Ordinance and the Proposed Snow Removal Obligations-Sidewalks Ordinance.

Mr. Nagle seconded the motion.

Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Tanczos aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye.

#### **ADMINISTRATION**

Mr. Nagle introduced the Ambulance Bid and noted for the record that the Bid Opening Meeting was held on December 11, 2008 for the 2009 Ford E-450, 4 X 2 Chassis 158" Wheelbase Ambulance. The bids were reviewed by the Township Manager, Township Solicitor and the Hanover Township Volunteer Fire Company No. 1. Mr. Nagle also noted that members of the Fire Company were present at tonight's meeting.

Mr. Nagle moved that the Board approve to award the bid for the 2009 Ford E-450, 4 X 2 Chassis 158" Wheelbase Ambulance to Excellance, Inc., 453 Lanier Road, Madison, AL 35758 at a total bid amount of \$135,529.77 and \$1,491.00 for a performance bond. Mr. Nagle also moved that the Secretary notify Excellance, Inc. of their awarded bid.

Mr. Salvesen seconded the motion.

Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Tanczos aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye.

Mr. Nagle moved to authorize the Chairman to sign the Animal Services Agreement between Northampton County Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals/CAHW and Hanover Township.

Mr. Salvesen seconded the motion.

Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Tanczos aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye.

A discussion was held on Collection of Delinquent Residential Waste & Recycling Fees by CREDITECH, INC.

Mr. Finnigan explained the current status of delinquent accounts. Mr. Finnigan also explained that those remaining delinquent will be sent to the Solicitor in February to have liens placed against the parcels.

#### **DEVELOPMENTS**

Mr. Tanczos moved that the Board grant an extension to the Developer of Monocacy Farms Lot 61 13-Lot R1-S Subdivision conditional approval agreement of one (1) year from February 7, 2009 to February 7, 2010 and to notify the Developer/Owner of the Board's action relative to this matter.

Mr. Nagle seconded the motion.

Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Tanczos aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye.

#### COURTESY OF THE FLOOR

Resident Andrew Soltis asked if delinquent account holders may be listed in the Hanoverview.

Mr. Broughal stated yes.

Resident George Werkheiser questioned the Weis Market petition.

Mr. Broughal and Mr. Finnigan gave an explanation.

### **STAFF REPORTS**

Engineer Birdsall thanked the Board of Supervisors for reappointing Hanover Engineering and complimented the Township and the Board on their leadership and working relationship over the years.

Mr. Birdsall updated the Board on Monocacy Farms.

Mr. Birdsall noted that Kim Street project is shut down because of the cold weather.

Mr. Birdsall updated the Board on LVCC II, Jaindl and Hanover Corporate Center II and TD Bank.

Solicitor Broughal had nothing to report but concurred with Mr. Birdsall on his reappointment and working relationship with the Township.

Public Works Director Kevin Healy had nothing to report.

Mr. Finnigan reported on the following:

- Road District Map was updated and distributed to the Board.
- He and Mr. Milite attended a PSATS and Governor's Center for Local Government Services Seminar for Volunteer Fire and Emergency management services in local government and discussed some Ordinances that will have to be updated as a result of legislation passed.
- Working on scheduling the quarterly meetings with the Fire Company as we've been doing and the monthly Fire Company report was distributed.

Upon motion of Mr. Walbert, seconded by Mr. Salvesen, the Board approved adjournment at 7:56 P.M. and went into an Executive Session.

Mr. Salvesen aye, Mr. Nagle aye, Mr. Tanczos aye, Mr. Walbert aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye.

Stacy C. Milo Secretary/Treasurer