
REGULAR SEMI-MONTHLY MEETING

April 27, 2021

The regular semi-monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors, Hanover Township, Northampton County, was called to order by Chairman John Diacogiannis at the Hanover Township Municipal Building, 3630 Jacksonville Road, Bethlehem, PA, 18017 at 7:00 P.M.

Present via virtual Zoom meeting were Supervisors Nagle, Lawless, Warren, Prendeville, Diacogiannis, Engineer Brien Kocher, and Solicitor Jim Broughal.

The Pledge of Allegiance was performed.

Mr. Diacogiannis initiated a moment of silence for the passing of Sergeant John A. Harmon, Colonial Regional Police Department, US Marine Corp.

Upon motion of Ms. Lawless, seconded by Mr. Prendeville, the Board approved the Agenda.

Mr. Nagle aye, Ms. Lawless aye, Mr. Warren aye, Mr. Prendeville aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye

Upon motion of Mr. Nagle seconded by Ms. Lawless, the Board approved the minutes from the meeting of the Board of Supervisors dated April 13, 2021.

Mr. Nagle aye, Ms. Lawless aye, Mr. Warren aye, Mr. Prendeville aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye

Upon motion of Mr. Nagle seconded by Ms. Lawless, the Board approved the list of bills and transfers dated April 27, 2021.

Mr. Nagle aye with the exception of the portion of general fund payment #143 that benefits me, Ms. Lawless aye with the exception of the portion of general fund payment #143 that benefits me, Mr. Warren aye with the exception of the portion of general fund payment #143 that benefits me, Mr. Prendeville aye with the exception of the portion of general fund payment #143 that benefits me, Mr. Diacogiannis aye with the exception of the portion of general fund payment #143 that benefits me.

Mr. Nagle aye, Ms. Lawless aye, Mr. Warren aye, Mr. Prendeville aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN

Mr. Diacogiannis reported that the Police Commission received an updated report on the process of police candidate selection, and it is getting very close to completion. The Police Commission is planning on having it completed by end of next month.

Mr. Diacogiannis reported there was an Executive Session for personnel matters at 3:30pm on 4/27/2021.

REPORT OF THE VICE CHAIR

Mr. Prendeville had nothing to report.

SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS

Mr. Nagle – Road District #1, Mr. Nagle had nothing to report.

Mr. Diacogiannis– Road District #2, had nothing to report.

Mr. Warren – Road District #3, Mr. Warren reported on a concern from Road District #5 discussed on the Township Resident’s Facebook Page regarding safety concerns at Dartmouth and Hampshire Drive intersection. Mr. Warren asked Mr. Finnigan to contact CRPD to patrol area more.

Mr. Diacogiannis said CRPD has already been contacted regarding the concern.

Ms. Lawless – Road District #4, Ms. Lawless had nothing to report from Road District #4 but saw a PSA on the Move Over Law from Senator Scavello’s website. Ms. Lawless thought it was informative and would like to see Hanover Township do something like it to get word out about it.

Mr. Diacogiannis recommended putting it in the Newsletter.

Mr. Finnigan discussed how funding has been given to municipal police forces to do enforcement of the Move Over Law. Mr. Finnigan believes CRPD is part of the funding enforcement and enforcement would likely to be seen on S.R. 512 because they do aggressive driving enforcement there.

Mr. Prendeville – Road District #5, had nothing to report.

APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS – BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

PLANNING & ZONING

ADMINISTRATION

2020 Audit Presentation

Mr. Todd Bustha presented the 2020 financial statement.

Community Center

Mr. Finnigan advised the second round of interviews were completed for Recreation Director. The candidates were discussed with the Board, and Mr. Finnigan was given permission to proceed with what is necessary to hire staff during the executive session. Hopefully extending offers and they will be approved at first meeting in May. Mr. Finnigan asked the public if they know anyone that is looking for a job and would be an asset to the Township to reach out to him. There have been 16 applications submitted so far, anything to spark interest in getting staff would be appreciated.

Ms. Lawless said Mr. Bushta’s presentation highlighted the hit the Community Center took during COVID-19 pandemic and would like to see a portion of the stimulus money to be focused on the center.

Resolution – Vaccine

Mr. Warren moved the Board adopt Resolution 21-11 encouraging Township of Hanover residents and employees to become vaccinated against COVID-19.

Mr. Prendeville seconded the motion.

Mr. Nagle aye, Ms. Lawless aye, Mr. Warren aye, Mr. Prendeville aye, Mr. Diacogiannis aye

DEVELOPMENTS

PUBLIC WORKS

Pool Update

Mr. Prendeville said Terracon results are in, but they came in at end of the day, so they have not been reviewed yet.

Mr. Kocher gave an update on the RFP, he said they have a dashboard that they monitor for interest and there is a very large amount of interest to put in bids.

Ms. Lawless suggested idea of using stimulus money for section of Township that is on well water to extend water and sewer to them. Also proposed idea of partnering with contiguous townships to share problems and pool funds to fix those issues.

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR

Stephen McFarlane questioned if there was a planned date to open the Community Center.

Mr. Finnigan advised Mid-June they are planning on opening the Community Center.

STAFF REPORTS

Mr. Kocher – Engineer – had nothing to report.

Mr. Broughal – Solicitor – had nothing to report.

Mr. Milite – Public Work Director – had nothing to report.

Mr. Finnigan – Township Manager – Mr. Finnigan wanted to recognize Mr. Traupman on having 1,000 volunteer hours at Arts Quest. Mr. Finnigan advised a Trash & Recycling collection delay in section North of Stoke Park and behind Westgate due to truck mechanical issue. Mr. Finnigan reported he will be attending a meeting with Hanover Engineering next week in regard to the first draft of the Stormwater project. Mr. Finnigan also reflected on the life of Sergeant John A. Harmon.

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Upon motion of Mr. Prendeville the Board adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Beth A. Bucko
Township Assistant Secretary