

**EAST HANOVER TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES
March 19, 2024**

CALL TO ORDER:

Vice-Chairperson Rebecca Oller called the Tuesday, March 19, 2024, Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors to order at 7:03 PM in the meeting room of the Township, 8848 Jonestown Road, Grantville, PA followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. An Executive Session was held tonight beginning at 6:00 PM until 7:00 PM to discuss potential litigation issues.

Vice-Chairperson Oller stated that the meetings are audio taped. The tapes are strictly for the use of the Recording Secretary for clarification during preparation of the minutes. The Public Guidelines of Decorum require all individuals wishing to make public comments do so at the microphone and state their name and address.

IN ATTENDANCE:

SUPERVISORS:

Rebecca Oller, Vice-Chairperson
George Rish
Tina Hastie

ALSO PRESENT:

Nicholas Yingst, Township Manager
E. Lee Stinnett, Township Solicitor-Salzmans Hughes
Aaron Moyer, Township Engineer-HRG
Stephanie Harmon, MS4 & Planning Coordinator
Sharon Umberger, Recording Secretary
Becky Richards, Parks and Recreation Director
Bryan Ziegler, Public Works Director

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

Mrs. Hastie made a motion to approve the Board of Supervisors minutes from the March 5, 2024 meeting as written. Mr. Rish seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

SPECIAL ORDER-Peg Califano, Mantis Innovation

Electricity/Natural Gas supply contracts

Peg Califano worked with Patriot Energy for thirteen years, which was acquired by Mantis Innovation. Her primary expertise is dealing with commercial, industrial and government entities. She presented a list of eight electricity suppliers and six natural gas suppliers that provided bids effective for April 2024. The delivery would continue to be Met-Ed and UGI Utility respectively.

The average published electricity rate by Met-Ed was \$ 0.0953/kWh and the average published UGI price to compare was \$ 0.71132/therm.

Mr. Rish made a motion to approve a 24-month contract for Electricity supplier with Freepoint Energy at a rate of \$ 0.0793/kWh and approve a 24-month contract for Natural Gas supplier Engie Energy at a rate of \$ 0.6586/therm. Mrs. Hastie seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

TREASURER'S REPORT

01/31/24 Balance Sheet	\$ 9,703,630.14		Increase/(Decrease)
	Feb Revenue	Feb Expenses	Net
General Fund	\$ 271,088.67	\$ 209,625.56	\$ 61,463.11
Fire Fund	\$ 9,628.46	\$ 13,987.42	\$ (4,358.96)
Street Light Fund	\$ 1,128.53	\$ 535.68	\$ 592.85
Liquid Fuels Fund	\$ 1,487.81	\$ 1,203.44	\$ 284.37
Stormwater Fund	\$ 192,830.93	\$ 181,358.50	\$ 11,472.43
Total	\$ 476,164.40	\$ 406,710.60	\$ 69,453.80
Liability		Increase/(Decrease)	\$ 834.81
2/29/24 Balance Sheet			\$ 9,773,918.75

	Invoices due and paid 03/06/24-03/13/24	03/14/24 Invoices for Consideration on 03/19/24
General Fund	\$ 36,286.44	\$ 71,849.01
Fire Fund	\$ 0	\$ 1,154.00
Street Light Fund	\$ 0	\$ 710.86
Liquid Fuels Fund	\$ 0	\$ 465.07
Stormwater Fund	\$ 0	\$ 1,183.00
Total	\$ 36,286.44	\$ 75,361.94
Total Checks Written	03/06/24-03/19/24	\$ 111,648.38

Approval of Invoices: Mrs. Hastie made a motion to pay bills as presented through March 19, 2024. Mr. Rish seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

CORRESPONDENCE: None noted.

REPORTS:

MS4 and Planning Report: Mrs. Harmon provided a written report. She continues to review and process stormwater credits and appeals, and answer questions regarding stormwater fees. The credit and appeals process has been completed and the billing registers reviewed for the Quarter 1 2024 billing. This quarterly bill will include stormwater fees and sanitary sewer fees as both fees are billed quarterly and in arrears.

Parks and Recreation Report: Mrs. Richards provided a written report. The Parks and Recreation Board created a survey to ask our residents and park users about EHT's park facilities. The intent of the survey was to help guide goals and objectives for park needs and future project considerations. After reviewing the results, the Parks and Rec Board determined the top five priorities are to maintain existing facilities, preserve wildlife habitat, increase trail connectivity, add restroom facilities, and beautify park areas. Four volunteers participated in the Nature Park Clean-up Day on March 16th. Upcoming Parks and Rec events are the Spring Coloring Contest, Community Easter Egg Hunt, and Tweens & Teens Easter Egg Scavenger Hunt. She shared that EHBSA Opening Day is on Saturday, April 13th and invited all the Supervisors to attend if available. The Amphitheater is on target to be shipped next week. She is working with HRG to wrap up the paperwork for both grants to request reimbursements for the Community Park Project. The Public Works crew has been

updating the Concession Stand at the EH Elementary School ballfields which include a new serving window, new ceiling tiles, repainting the walls and flooring, and fixing the storage space.

Municipal Engineer's Report: Mr. Moyer provided a written report. He attended one meeting in February although he was involved with four plan reviews and inspections. **MS4-The Crawford Road stream restoration permit** was resubmitted to PADEP, and the other two projects will be resubmitted to PADEP between 3/22 and 3/29. **Stormwater Fee Implementation**-Consulting in the process of reviewing appeals and credit applications received by the Township. **Green Light Go #1-(Radio interconnect tying signals together)**-Some equipment was received and installed the week of 3/11 but communication with the contractor has been slow. **Green Light Go #2-(Intersection Improvements)**-Construction kickoff planned for July. There is a 21-week timeframe for signal mast arms. **Public Well Design/Permit**-HRG representative met with the Township and received a COSTARS contractor's bid for the plumbing work for equipment installation that needs revisions. **Route 39/Jonestown Road Truck Signage**-Waiting for West Hanover Township feedback. **Grantville Infrastructure Project**-Project does not need to be bid and awarded this year but must be completed by September 2026. **Zoning/SALDO Ordinance updates**-Further map/ordinance updates in coordination with the final draft reviews. **E. Caren Drive ROW Stakeout**-Wooden ROW stakes and an iron pin to be provided upon go-ahead from EHT. Mrs. Oller asked whether E. Caren Drive residents were notified, and they were notified by Public Works.

Emergency Management Report: Mr. Johnson provided a written report. EMA office received notification of two fires within the township and several notifications of severe weather consisting of snow squalls, heavy rain, and high winds predicted for this area. The Hazard Mitigation Planning kickoff meeting is set for April 11th at 1 PM and 6 PM. The Public Safety Advisory Council meets again on Monday, March 25th at 7 PM at the Public Works Building.

Codes and Zoning Report: Light-Heigel provided written reports for UCC, Zoning and Property Maintenance.

Sewage Enforcement Officer's Report: Brian McFeaters provided a written report for February.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Proposal for Jonestown Road vehicle length restriction signage in West Hanover Township

No formal action yet. Solicitor Stinnett shared that this item is on this week's West Hanover Township agenda.

Proposed updates to the Zoning and Subdivision/Land Development Ordinances

No formal action yet.

Proposed layout for parking lot line striping

There was Board consensus to move ahead with the parking lot line striping as presented on the latest HRG parking/landscape concept drawing provided that portions of the sidewalk by the existing flagpole are removed to be parallel to the building.

NEW BUSINESS:

Accepting Sand Beach Enterprises simple subdivision plan for review

Ken Vandenburg, the developer, was available to answer any questions about the 10-acre "L" shaped proposed lot which preserves a wooded area off Sand Beach Road.

Mrs. Hastie made a motion to accept Sand Beach Enterprises' Simple Subdivision plan for review. Mr. Rish seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

Joint Operation and Maintenance and Access Agreement for Tru of Grantville simple subdivision plan

The Tru of Grantville Joint Operation and Maintenance and Access Agreement is the remaining condition of the Tru of Grantville Simple Subdivision plan where approval by the BOS was granted on April 18, 2023. This process was delayed

due to the sale of the property. The agreement legally binds both landowners and any future owners to construct and adequately maintain all required BMPs.

Mrs. Hastie made a **motion to approve the Tru of Grantville Simple Subdivision, Joint Operation and Maintenance and Access Agreement**. Mr. Rish seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Susquehanna River Basin Commission (SRBC) Stream and Watershed Enhancement Grant Agreement

The Township received notice that it was awarded a \$2,100 SRBC Stream & Watershed Enhancement Grant to purchase an Enviroscape Watershed Model. This agreement was reviewed by the Township Solicitor.

Mrs. Hastie made a **motion to approve the Susquehanna River Basin Commission (SRBC)-Stream & Watershed Enhancement Grant Agreement as presented**. Mr. Rish seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Sport court rule signage proposal for Community Park

Mrs. Hastie made a **motion to approve the quote from Stoner Graphix for the Sport Court Rules and Regulations signs at a cost of \$891.83**. Mr. Rish seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Asbestos and lead paint inspection and report proposal for Nature Park

Mrs. Hastie made a **motion to approve the proposal from the ARM Group, Inc. to test the Nature Park pavilion and outbuildings for lead paint and asbestos at a cost of \$3,450**. Mr. Rish seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Proposed amendment to the 2024 Humane Society agreement

The Humane Society of Harrisburg Area is under an affiliation agreement with the Brandywine Valley SPCA who is a long-time proponent of and supporter of removing breed labels for mixed breed dogs. The amendment is updated with a \$250 per dog fee for any type of dog.

Mrs. Hastie made a **motion approving the amendment to the 2024 Municipal Domestic Animal Protective Services Agreement with the Humane Society for dog intake fees revised to \$250 for any type of dog**. Mr. Rish seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Mrs. Hastie made a **motion not to opt into the TNR program with Humane Society due to the uncertainty of costs**. Mr. Rish seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

BUSINESS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Richard Shirk-125 Shirks Lane-He confirmed with Mrs. Harmon that stormwater fees and sanitary sewer fees will be separately listed on the combined quarterly bill.

BUSINESS FROM THE SUPERVISORS:


Mrs. Hastie-She made public aware that there is a new radio station in the Village of Grantville-Fiesta 105.9 FM located at 9821 Jonestown Road.

Mrs. Oller-She shared that as of February, projected EHT revenues were higher and expenses were lower than budget.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mrs. Hastie made a **motion to adjourn**, seconded by Mr. Rish. **The meeting adjourned at 8:13 PM.**

Respectfully submitted,



Sharon Umberger, Recording Secretary