

HANOVER TOWNSHIP, LEHIGH COUNTY  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

April 1, 2015  
7:30 P.M.

Present: Councilmen Heimbecker, Martucci, Paulus, Wegfahrt, Woolley;  
Kimberly Spotts-Kimmel, Esquire; Ryan Christman; Sandra A. Pudliner;  
Vicky Roth

Absent: J. Jackson Eaton, III, Esquire

Attendance: 7

Courtesy of the Floor: None.

Approval of Minutes: March 18, 2015 Special Council Meeting  
March 18, 2015 Regular Council Meeting

Motion: I move we waive the reading of the Minutes of the March 18, 2015  
Special Council Meeting and accept same as amended.

Paulus, Martucci: Moved and Seconded

The Board called to the Manager's attention an issue regarding the Minutes  
referencing Attorney Joseph Kelly of Senator Lisa Boscola's office as Attorney  
Joseph Riley. Council directed the Township Manager to make the correction.

Heimbecker, Martucci, Wegfahrt, Woolley, Paulus: Aye Unan.

Motion: I move we waive the reading of the Minutes of the March 18, 2015  
Regular Council Meeting and accept same as presented.

Paulus, Woolley: Moved and Seconded

Heimbecker, Martucci, Wegfahrt, Woolley, Paulus: Aye Unan..

Reports:

1. Sandra A. Pudliner  
Township Manager

1. The Township Manager advised the Board that the Hanover Township Zoning  
Hearing Board heard the appeal of Verizon Wireless on March 26, 2015. Mrs.  
Pudliner indicated to the Board that the appeal was approved. She noted that  
there was one interested party at the hearing but that individual did not voice any  
serious objection to the proposal. Mrs. Pudliner also advised that the Airport had  
been contacted personally and indicated by return call that they had no problem  
with the structure. Upon discussion, it was noted that the structure does not  
violate the maximum height regulation in the Planned Industrial Zoning District

in which the property in question is situated. There was also some question that no other dishes, etc. be placed on this structure and the Township Manager indicated she would look into that issue.

2. Ryan Christman  
Township Engineer

1. The Township Engineer advised the Board that he has provided them with a copy of correspondence he sent to the City of Bethlehem outlining the Township's concern over water pressure issues. Vice Chairman Heimbecker commented that these issues affect the hydrant right in front of his house. Councilman Wegfahrt commented there is an issue with the pavement coming apart at the corner of Sherwood and Taft Streets. Mr. Christman noted that in conversations with the City of Bethlehem, they had been looking at their pumping station and think there may be a problem there that is contributing to the pressure issues in the residential area in the Township.

There was a discussion with respect to the proposed development on Dauphin Street making a sketch plan submission to the Hanover Township Planning Commission. The Township Engineer commented that it is his understanding that the project may need to go through the Zoning Hearing Board for relief. There was some other discussion regarding the proposed shopping center on Airport Road involving the Woodlawn Cemetery property. It was noted that there has been no action on that matter. There was also discussion with respect to the Szabo property which burnt down and it was noted that an architect has been hired to design a replacement house on that property. There was discussion with respect to the fact that the property at the corner of Pennsylvania and Ulster Street still is not in compliance with ordinance requirements for the tent at that location. There is currently no roof on the property. The Township Manager noted she would look into that matter. With respect to the other tent issue on Ulster Street, the Township Manager advised that it is her understanding from the Building Inspector that the property owners both have serious health issues and that she would check on further progress with respect to resolving that matter. With respect to the former Lukoil property located at the corner of Schoenersville and Weaversville Rds., the Township Manager advised that a citation will be issued against that property owner.

3. Kimberly Spotts-Kimmel, Esquire  
Township Attorney

In the absence of the Township Attorney, Attorney Spotts-Kimmel offered no oral report at this time.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business:

Vice Chairman Heimbecker commented that he and the Township Manager attended a meeting at the Lehigh Valley International Airport with a group known as RETTEW who had been hired to perform an historical preservation review as same relates to the FedEx Land Development in Allen Township. The property in question was a farm located in Northampton County known as the Miller Farm. Information was provided such as maps of the area in question and it was noted that they would simply allow the structures on that property to eventually fall down. That property was the only site in the area which had any historical value as being considered a farmstead.

Courtesy of the Floor:

There was discussion with respect to water service for the proposed FedEx Development in Allen Township. Mr. Clater of Allen Township who was in attendance at the meeting indicated that Bethlehem Water will be utilized for the area. Mr. Clater also indicated to the Board that there are various storm water basins which will be put in place for the project. Mr. Clater indicated his opinion regarding the FedEx Development and future development of warehousing in the area. Mr. Clater was of the opinion that even though the traffic study was done under the assumption of 3.2 million square feet of warehousing, he felt that only 1.6 million square feet was feasible in Allen Township.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra A. Pudliner  
Township Manager