

HANOVER TOWNSHIP, LEHIGH COUNTY  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

November 4, 2015  
7:30 P.M.

Present: Councilmen Heimbecker, Lawlor, Paulus, Wegfahrt, Woolley; Kimberly Spotts-Kimmel; Al Kortze, P.E.; Sandra A. Pudliner; Vicky Roth

Absent: J. Jackson Eaton, III, Esquire

Attendance: 4

Courtesy of the Floor: None.

Approval of Minutes: October 21, 2015 Regular Council Meeting

Motion: I move we waive the reading of the Minutes of the October 21, 2015 Regular Council Meeting and accept same as presented.

Paulus, Woolley: Moved and Seconded

Lawlor, Wegfahrt, Woolley, Paulus:

Aye

Heimbecker:

Abstained

Reports:

1. Sandra A. Pudliner  
Township Manager

1. The Township Manager advised Council that she has provided them with a Notice regarding the upcoming Zoning Hearing to be held on Wednesday, November 25, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. on behalf of the Applicant, St. Luke's. The Township Manager advised that the request of St. Luke's is for a conversion of an existing nonconforming sign situated along Route 22 to become in part an electronic message sign. The Applicant is requesting an interpretation of the Ordinance with respect to such conversion as well as a variance in the event a variance is required. Vice Chairman Heimbecker questioned the Township Manager/Zoning Officer as to what would happen should other entities along Route 22 decide to take the same course of action. The Township Manager noted that it would be impossible for such a scenario due to the fact that the Township currently has the maximum number of signs permitted per the Township Ordinance and no one could get approval for additional signage. Councilman Lawlor who previously was a member of the Zoning Hearing Board noted that in his opinion he did not see any problem with this application. Accordingly, the Board determined that they would take no action with respect to the upcoming Zoning Hearing.

2. Al Kortze, P.E.  
Township Engineer

1. The Township Engineer advised the Board that the Postal Road paving project has been completed but the contractor will be coming back to do some work in the area where the road transitions from the new area to the old paved area. Additionally, the Township Engineer noted that the anti-skid application has been placed on Catasauqua Road.
2. As of Monday, the Township Engineer advised that the restoration of the trenches relative to the sewer project in Chestnut Grove has begun but that process has not been totally finished as of this time.

3. Kimberly Spotts-Kimmel, Esquire  
Township Attorney

1. Attorney Kimberly Spotts-Kimmel appeared at the meeting on behalf of the Township Attorney who was unavailable and advised the Board that with respect to the Keith Bartholomew matter, settlement terms have been reached prior to the scheduled Magistrate's hearing and the citation for same has been withdrawn by the Township. Vice Chairman Heimbecker questioned who was responsible for the costs associated with the citation. The Township Manager indicated that it is her understanding from the Township's Building Inspection Office that unless a matter proceeds to a hearing there are no costs associated with the citation process. Council directed the Township Manager to check to make sure that is the case.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business:

1. Chairman Paulus congratulated Councilman Lawlor and Councilman Woolley with respect to their election to the Board on Election Day.

Courtesy of the Floor: None.

Chairman Paulus noted that the Board will again meet with respect to the 2016 Budget process on Monday, November 9, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. to continue the review of the Budgets.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra A. Pudliner  
Township Manager