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**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF NETHER PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP
LEGISLATIVE MEETING – May 10, 2012**

A legislative meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Nether Providence, duly advertised and posted in accordance with law, was called to order at 7:30 PM on Thursday, May 10, 2012 in the Board of Commissioners' Meeting Room, Township Municipal Building, 214 Sykes Lane, Wallingford, PA 19086. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Commissioner Much
Commissioner Sullivan
Commissioner Noyes
Commissioner Dougherty
Commissioner Baker
Commissioner O'Connor
Commissioner Kenworthy

Gary Cummings	Township Manager
Charles Catania	Township Engineer
Thomas Flannery	Chief of Police
Dennis Sheehan	Assistant Township Manager
Lisa Swan	Finance Director
Joseph Lesniak	Township Solicitor

PUBLIC: Approximately 7 in attendance

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Cheryl Booth, 3 Bullens Lane, said there is still a problem with the light and it's now a safety issue and would like us to convene a meeting with PennDot to remove the traffic light or relocate the sensor. Mr Dougherty spoke on correspondence with Representative Hackett's office and PennDot said they will paint an "X" in front of their drive. Mr Dougherty said they have no desire to leave the light as a permanent fixture. There was a discussion on warrants on keeping the light permanent. Mr Sullivan asked if the light could be shut off for a couple of days. Chief Flannery said the light helps with traffic movement.

CDCA Report- Christine Reuther reported on the CDCA Interceptor Rehabilitation project saying it is almost completed. Ms Reuther said the CDCA Board approved an amendment that slightly changes the EDU allocation. She noted the Commissioners will be asked to approve the map amendment that reallocates units. She spoke on flow metering and the history of how EDU fees charged by CDCA have increasing been based on flows and how DELCORA is now invoicing solely on flow. Ms. Reuther stated CDCA is now carefully reviewing flows into each meter and asked the township to pay close attention to flow data. She noted municipalities are now addressing I & I but studies show a lot of I & I is through private laterals. She also noted DELCORA needs to update their ACT 537 Plan and a lot of flow goes to the Philadelphia Southwest Plant. She stated costs of flows to Philadelphia will be increasing greatly, so DELCORA is going to make decisions on where to treat flows. She said we need to keep track of events in this regard. Ms Reuther also mentioned DELCORA is keeping a refund owed to CDCA municipalities for a future interceptor repair. Mr Sullivan said he would like meet to assess flows and review how lateral inspections. He thanked Ms Reuther for her service. Mr Dougherty thanked Ms Reuther and asked her about the Puzzleface Properties proposal to connect to Nether Providence lines. Ms Reuther stated she felt the small number of houses would not be a problem but would be a discussion on allocation of EDU's and Nether Providence Township would have to approve. Mr O'Connor noted Upland just adopted regulations on laterals.

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APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Ratify appointments of Bankole Songonuga to UCC Appeals Board and Greg Hurchalla as ZHB

Alternate

Mr. Sullivan moved to ratify these appointments approved at the May 5th work session. Mr Much seconded the motion which passed 7-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Legislative meeting of April 12, 2012

Mr Much moved to approve the minutes of April 12, 2012. Mr O'Connor seconded the motion which passed 6-0 with Mr Kenworthy abstaining as he was not present for that meeting.

SOLICITORS REPORT

Mr Lesniak noted he attended the storm water workshop, and will get an ordinance prepared for the June meeting.

FINANCE

Auditor Summation of 2011 Financial Audit by Barbacaine & Thornton

Tim Sawyer noted there were no significant findings and no difficulties or schedule of adjustments. He also stated there were no disagreements with management. He spoke on the management letter and that the staff was working on addressing these comments. He noted for 2011 there were combined revenues totaling \$9.5 million and expenditures totaled \$8.7 million resulting in an excess of around \$800,000. He noted tax revenue is up from 2010 to 2011 and noted public works expenditures were up by about \$300,000, mostly due to the purchase of recycling containers. Mr Sheehan noted expenses for the containers were incurred in 2011 and payment by DEP will come in 2012.

ENGINEERS REPORT

CDBG Change Order – Mr. Catania noted he wished to have a change order approved for the Sucher contract which reduces the contract price by \$4,472.08. Mr Sullivan moved to approve the change order. Mr O'Connor seconded the motion which was approved 7-0.

Mr Catania noted that SWERP Inc. has completed the Ridley Drive sewer relining. He noted that Land- Tech Enterprises is ready to start the Beechwood Road sanitary sewer extension under the H2O grant. He also stated that the Laurie Lane and Brookhaven Road sewer extension requests were still awaiting DEP approval. Mr Noyes asked about sending a note to Heatherwold residents alerting them to the resurfacing.

MANAGERS REPORT

Mr Cummings reported the Furness Library Fair will be held this Saturday from 12 at 10 am to 3 pm and the Wallingford Presbyterian Church will be holding their annual Strawberry Festival on June 4 from 5 to 8 pm.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr Much gave the Police report and reminded residents to lock their vehicles and doors to their houses and not leave items in view on car seats.

Motion to advertize ordinance restricting parking on Cedar Road for June 14 - Mr. Much moved to advertise this ordinance. Mr Baker seconded the motion which passed 7-0.

Motion to advertize ordinance establishing/removing stop signs for June 14 – Mr Baker asked if studies are required to meet warrants for temporary traffic calming measures for speed humps. Mr Lesniak said he believed a study is required. It was noted the township has amended the PA DOT warrants for installing traffic calming measures and the Sidewalk Committee is charged to evaluate requests. Mr Baker noted there are aggravated circumstances on Ridley Drive with the soccer fields. Mr Sullivan suggested a no-cost review by the Sidewalk Committee and wanted to add looking at installing stop signs on Rose Valley Road at Bickmore Drive. Mr

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Kenworthy noted we can take other local action in response to traffic problems. Mr Dougherty suggested we pursue temporary speed humps for Ridley Drive and to get a quotation, otherwise it can go on the list with others to be reviewed by the Sidewalk Committee.

BUILDING AND ZONING COMMITTEE REPORT

Motion to advertize ordinance regulating bamboo for June 14 – Mr Kenworthy moved to advertize the bamboo ordinance. Mr Sullivan seconded the motion which passed by a vote of 7-0.

Motion to Deny subdivision at 221 Fildes Lane - Mr Kenworthy moved to deny with Mr Noyes seconding. After some discussion motion was passed by a vote of 7-0.

Motion ratifying the granting of extension for Moore Subdivision (105 E. Brookhaven Rd) to August 6 - Mr Kenworthy so moved. Mr Dougherty seconded the motion which passed by a vote of 7-0.

Motion authorizing advertisement of ordinance adopting the Crum Creek Stormwater Management Plan
Mr Kenworthy spoke on a list of limited options to consider and wished to defer action to the June meeting. The Board agreed.

Mr Much noted CRC sponsored stream clean-ups this past Saturday at Smedley Park and Taylor Arboretum..

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr O'Connor thanked the South Media Fire Company for their nice banquet. He then gave the Public Works report noting continuing routine maintenance, mulch deliveries are continuing, and the crews were repairing roads and painting stop bars and vascar lines.

COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr Baker noted that the township will be hosting a Community Clean-Up day in the near future. Mr Baker also noted the Summer Recreation program will run from June 25 through July 27. He stated the Township will hold a Dog Chipping Clinic on Saturday, June 16 from 9 am to noon and also he was planning a Resident Appreciation/Family Day for Saturday, September 15.

GRANTS COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr Noyes noted there are no action items but he wanted to use the committee for long range planning on items such as addressing I & I. He thought the Board should have a special meeting before budget season to discuss vehicle replacement schedules and similar issues.

INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE REPORT

There were no action items to report.

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Motion to approve warrant list- Mr Dougherty reviewed the Warrant list. There were questions about ICMA, GFOA, police vehicles, tire purchases, Catania Engineering invoices, gas costs and CDCA fees which Mr Sullivan noted is approximately \$1 million. Mr Dougherty moved to approve the warrant list. Mr O'Connor seconded the motion which passed by a vote of 7-0.

Motion to authorize purchase of computer server – Mr Dougherty noted problems with the present office server and referred to Mr Sheehan's proposal. After discussion Mr Dougherty moved to go with the purchase of a new server and back-up system for \$12,752.00. Mr O'Connor seconded the motion which passed by a vote of 7-0.

Adjournment – There being no further business the meeting was adjourned. It was noted the next meeting is June 7 at 7:30 pm.