(158) BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS of NETHER PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP MEETING of January 14, 2016

A legislative meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Nether Providence Township, duly advertised and posted in accordance with law, was called to order at 7:30 PM on Thursday, January 14, 2016 in the Board of Commissioners' Meeting Room, Township Municipal Building, 214 Sykes Lane, Wallingford, PA 19086.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Commissioner Baker

Commissioner Sullivan Commissioner Noyes Commissioner Dougherty Commissioner O'Connor Commissioner Kenworthy

Gary Cummings Township Manager

Dave Grady Assistant Township Manager

Mike Maddren
Lisa Swan
David Splain

Township Solicitor
Finance Director
Chief of Police

EXCUSED: Commissioner Much

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Approximately 11 people in attendance.

Mr. Baker asked for a moment of silence for the passing of Mr. Charles Catania Sr. as he was the father and founding member of the township's engineering company Catania Engineering.

ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Much led the Pledge of Allegiance which was recited by all.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jon Lichtenstein, Helen Kate Furness Library VP, thanked the Board for funding on behalf of the library and noted that general usage is up 7%, computer usage is up 5% and that they are modernizing the public meeting room and working on renovation plans.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Sidewalk Committee: Mr. Baker asked Ed Salvucci of 8 Parkridge Drive to come up and speak. Mr. Salvucci noted he is now working as an auditor and has audited municipalities and grants and is an avid walker, so he believes his experience would be beneficial to the committee. Mr. Sullivan noted it is more of a pedestrian safety committee and Mr. Salvucci said he is interested. Mr. Kenworthy stated it also involves infrastructure improvements noting there is no walkway across the Rogers Lane Bridge. Mr. Salvucci said he sees the need to repair many sidewalks in the 4th ward. Mr. Baker moved to appoint Mr. Salvucci to the vacancy on the committee. Mr. Dougherty seconded the motion which passed by a vote of 6-0.

Mr. Cummings noted he reached out to all committee members concerning reappointments and noted the Board members have the responses.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

<u>Legislative Meeting of December 10, 2015, Special Meeting of December 17, 2015 and Reorganization Meeting of January 4, 2016</u>

It was noted the reorganization minutes should reflect Judge Kenney as President Judge Kenney.

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Mr. Baker then moved to approve all minutes. Mr. Kenworthy seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by a vote of 5-0-1 with Mr. Knapp abstaining as he was not present for the December 10 and December 17 meetings.

PARKS COMMISSION

Nothing to report.

SOLICITORS REPORT

Mr. Maddren noted legal matters were addressed in the executive session.

ENGINEERS REPORT

Mr. Cummings noted in Mr. Catania's absence the report is on file and mentioned a preliminary resurfacing list which contained the remaining priorities from last year's list.

MANAGERS REPORT

Mr. Cummings stated that we has been working on the Community Map and a few advertising spots remain. He showed the two Sapovits Park signs that were made by the South Media Children's Initiative noting each child painted their own square and then the signs incorporate all the squares. Mr. Cummings wanted to thank Frank Freeman and Darryl Dixon for renovating the Bungalow, as new renters will be moving in shortly. He stated the TAP grant for a sidewalk on Moore Road was submitted and the PA Horticultural Society will be providing bare root trees for \$25 a tree after completing an application which is due February 8th. Mr. Cummings also noted the TAP Grant is complete and we applied for reimbursement for 90% of the purchase of the new leaf machine.

INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE REPORT

<u>Ratify adoption of resolution authorizing TAP grant</u> - Mr. Sullivan noted we just need to ratify the resolution supporting the TAP Grant.

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

<u>Motion to approve warrant list</u> - Mr. Kenworthy went through the warrant list and noted expenses for improving the Bungalow and also holiday expenses on the P-Card list. He asked for questions noting the first quarter contributions to funded organizations are also on the list. Mr. Sullivan asked about the subdivision refunds for the Fildes Lane subdivision and Mr. Cummings noted it was rejected without review. Mr. Kenworthy then made a motion to approve the warrant list. Mr. Baker seconded the motion which passed by a vote of 6-0.

<u>VLAP loan settlement is January 28th</u> – Mr. Kenworthy noted the settlement for the \$200,000 VLAP loan is scheduled on January 28th.

FIRE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE REPORT

<u>Key Fob system – Township Building</u> – Mr. Dougherty noted the DVIT Safety Grant funds are now available and will be used for traffic safety cones and barricades and also for a key fob system for the Administration Building. Mr. Dougherty made a motion to authorize these uses. Mr. Sullivan seconded the motion and asked if it was for security purposes and Mr. Cummings said yes. The motion passed by a vote of 6-0. Mr. Dougherty then read the Fire Marshall's report.

COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

<u>Ratify adoption of Community Development resolution</u> – Mr. Baker noted we need to just ratify the resolution for the Community Development Grant. The Board asked if the Leiper House was added and Mr. Cummings said it was not.

Mr. Baker stated the summer camp dates are June 27th through July 29th. Mr. Grady noted the program will be running Monday through Thursday each week.

PUBLIC SAFETYCOMMITTEE REPORT

Review of intersections for stop signs (Beech & Harvey Roads; Waterford Way and Waterford Circle; Media Parkway and Beech Road; Media parkway and Walnut Road) – Mr. Baker gave the report in Mr. Much's absence. Mr. Baker noted Mr. Catania's studies recommended multi-way stop signs at these intersections. Mr. Baker moved to advertise the ordinance to establish stop signs at the intersections. Mr. Sullivan seconded the motion which passed by a vote of 6-0.

<u>Quaint Road restriction removal</u> - Mr. Baker also noted the ordinance to remove parking restrictions on Quaint Road was already authorized and will be included with the stop sign advertisement.

<u>Discussion on roundabout for intersection of Providence Road, Route 320 and Harvey Road</u> – Mr. Baker noted the Board may want to consider looking into a roundabout at this intersection. Mr. Dougherty said Mr. Catania will need to look at it and asked Chief Splain if the new left turn signal helps. The Chief stated he will monitor the signal. Mr. Sullivan said he agrees that Mr. Catania should look at it and said that circles do slow people down.

BUILDING AND ZONING COMMITTEE REPORT

Zoning Hearing on 224 N. Providence Road – Mr. Knapp noted the Zoning Hearing for the appeal of the zoning violation notice at 224 N. Providence Road that was due to be held this past Monday, January 11th has been continued to February 8th.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT

<u>Motion to adopt Resolution for County Aid (for road resurfacing in 2016)</u> – Mr. O'Connor moved to approve the resolution. Mr. Sullivan seconded the motion. Mr. Kenworthy noted there is \$145,000 in the budget for resurfacing. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.

<u>ADJOURMENT</u> – Mr. Baker noted the next meeting is the work session on February 4th and the Board will continue with an executive session now. There being no further business, the regular meeting was adjourned.