

The Hanover Township Board of Supervisors held **Regular Meeting** on **Thursday September 19, 2013** at 7:30 pm at the Municipal Building. Those present were Kevin Lemmi – Chairman, James Donohue-Vice Chair, David Duerr – Supervisor, Herbert Grubbs-Supervisor, Donald Winkler-Supervisor, Wendy M. Turrentine-Secretary/Treasurer & Dennis Makel-Solicitor.

**Call to Order**

**Roll Call**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Approval of Minutes:**

1. Regular Meeting August 15, 2013

**Motion: To approve the minutes from the regular meeting August 19, 2013.**

Motion: David Duerr                    2<sup>nd</sup>: Kevin Lemmi

Vote: Mr. Lemmi-yes, Mr. Donohue-yes, Mr. Duerr-yes, Mr. Grubbs-yes, Mr. Winkler-yes

**Motion Passed**

2. Public Hearing September 5, 2013

**Motion: To approve the minutes from the public hearing September 5, 2013.**

Motion: David Duerr                    2<sup>nd</sup>: Donald Winkler

Vote: Mr. Lemmi-yes, Mr. Donohue-yes, Mr. Duerr-yes, Mr. Grubbs-yes, Mr. Winkler-yes

**Motion Passed**

3. Special Meeting September 5, 2013

**Motion: To approve the minutes from the special meeting September 5, 2013,**

Motion: James Donohue                2<sup>nd</sup>: David Duerr

Vote: Mr. Lemmi-yes, Mr. Donohue-yes, Mr. Duerr-yes, Mr. Grubbs-yes, Mr. Winkler-yes

**Motion Passed**

**Questions on Agenda Items:**

None

**Chairman's Report:**

There was an executive session held Tuesday September 17<sup>th</sup> and prior to this meeting both for the purpose of personnel.

**Public Safety:**

Animal Control: 13 calls answered/received at residence, 1 citations, 9 warnings, 10 hours patrolled, 2 dogs picked up/placed in kennel and 9 nuisance calls received.

Police: Magistrate \$17,825.11, Restitution \$218.70 and wages \$3,320.95.

-Mr. Duerr stated there are more shifts being covered to monitor buses.

-The last concert of the season is the 28<sup>th</sup> and it is a sell out so beware of traffic.

Corporal Dolan from PSP was introduced.

-Corp. Dolan complimented the Township's PD & officers; asked if there were questions for him.

-Mr. Lemmi asked if there was a specific reason Route 22 was being monitored.

-Corp. Dolan explained that is one of their zones and patrol all of 22 when available. He

went on to explain that they respond to 30-40 crashes daily so they try to slow people down.

- Mr. Niederriter questioned how many troopers are out of their barracks.
  - There are normally 5 troopers on during a shift.
  - Route 22 is a line zone and PSP patrols the area when HTPD is not in service.
- Mr. Duerr asked if they covered Frankfurt Springs. That area is covered by the Beaver Barracks.
- Mr. Grubbs asked what Barracks Corp. Dolan is based from.
  - He is based out of the Pittsburgh Barracks covering Allegheny & Washington Counties.
- Mr. Contumelio asked why the Washington Barracks didn't respond to Hanover.
  - Corp. Dolan stated that they can get here faster via the highway.
- Mr. Niederriter asked if there were any new recruits.
  - Corp. Dolan said that 127 people just graduated and there are 2 more classes coming.
  - Their placement is based on the needs of each Barrack.
- Mr. Contumelio asked if they have ever had to call another Barrack for back up.
  - Corp. Dolan said no but they could if necessary.
- Mr. Grossman asked what their estimated travel time is.
  - Corp. Dolan stated 20 minutes if going the speed limit but they can be here in about 8 minutes if it is an emergency.

**Road Report:**

796.5 hours with wages totaling \$16,343.44

N. Kings Creek – grade, ditch, clean culverts, trim/cut trees, road drag, mowed grass, installed cross drains, road sweep and tar & chip.

Road Sweep: Whipporwill, Bucey, Phillips, McCracken Hill, S. Kings Creek, County Line, Miller Airport, Five Points and Kramer Roads.

Grass: Laurel, Perkins, Phillips and S. Kings Creek

Tar & Chip: Miller Airport, Whipporwill, Aunt Clara, Bucey, Phillips, Kramer, McCracken Hill, County Line and Five Points Roads.

Clean Culverts, Cut Trees & Cross Drains: Paris Colliers, Rock School, Kings Creek, Kramer and Phillips.

Road Drag: S. Kings Creek, Paris Colliers hill and Miller Airport Roads.

Repair Washouts/Hillslides: Aunt Clara, Ridge, Bartleyville and Paris Colliers Roads.

Equipment: Truck prep for tar & chip, Truck #106 hydraulic leak – replaced pump, repair road drag, high lift and Massey Ferguson.

**Park Report:**

The 25<sup>th</sup> Covered Bridge Festival is this upcoming weekend.

Mrs. Rhoades thanked the Road Department and Board for the installation of the benches and for cleaning the roof of the bridge. She also thanked them for agreeing to tar and chip the road.

**Approve Expenses:**

Mr. Winkler said that he looked at the current balance sheet and questioned the amount of money in the Capital Reserve Account as the grader has been delivered and available funds are higher in this account than last month.

- Ms. Turrentine stated that she transferred the Comcast funds to the Capital Reserve per a motion made by Mr. Duerr in 2010 and that the grader was paid for out of the General Fund.

Mr. Winkler questioned why the grader was not purchased with funds in the Capital Reserve.  
-Ms. Turrentine stated that the motion to purchase the grader did not specify the funds come from the Capital Reserve, and, as has been pointed out prior to, no funds can be moved without approval from the Board.

Mr. Winkler questioned why Mr. Makel’s invoice was so high as there were no hearings he could recall.  
-Ms. Turrentine stated that, as the solicitors for the Township, there were zoning and road issues that involved the assistance of Mr. Makel and Mr. Furman. Also, it was a 2 month billing.  
-Mr. Grubbs reiterated that there was a lot that has gone on in the Township.

**Motion: To approve the Bills List**

Motion: Mr. Duerr 2<sup>nd</sup>: Kevin Lemmi

Vote: Mr. Lemmi-yes, Mr. Donohue-yes, Mr. Duerr-yes, Mr. Grubbs-yes, Mr. Winkler-yes

**Motion Passed**

**Old Business:**

1. Star Pointe Access Road Agreement

Mr. Grubbs explained that there seemed to be some issues regarding PennDot’s stipulations.  
Mr. Makel stated that the grant covered the other two parties but not the Township.  
Mr. Reitz stated the agreement is the same as in Phase 1. The Owners Association will construct the road, control the storm water and now own the lights. The Township would only be responsible for the roadway once it’s complete.

Mr. Makel said that a maintenance bond should be in effect for a specified length of time.  
Mr. Duerr questioned the statement in the agreement about the Township “owning” the sidewalks.  
-Mr. Reitz said that the Owners Association would keep the sidewalks.

Mr. Handick asked who would maintain the roundabout.  
-Mr. Reitz said the Township once it is completed.

Mr. Makel asked for the status on the road.  
-Mr. Reitz said the road bed is in and graded and the stormwater is complete.

**Motion: To approve the Access Road Agreement with Star Pointe subject to the approval of the solicitor.**

Motion: Herbert Grubbs 2<sup>nd</sup>: Kevin Lemmi

Vote: Mr. Lemmi-yes, Mr. Donohue-yes, Mr. Duerr-yes, Mr. Grubbs-yes, Mr. Winkler-yes

**Motion Passed**

2. McNinch Road

Mr. Duerr asked what the status was on this situation regarding the notification of residents with this address. Mr. Lemmi stated that the solicitor was to send them a letter.  
Mr. Grubbs stated there is one residence with this address but it will cease to exist and they will have to have an address of Rock School Road.  
Mr. Makel asked Ms. Turrentine to provide the name and address of the one resident with McNinch Road as their address and he will send correspondence to them.

**New Business:**

1. Open bids for cinders, grit sand and salt

Bids were received for the Grit Sand and Cinders from Thomas & Son Trucking and Don Growden. A bid for salt was received by Thomas & Son Trucking.

	1000 Tons Grit Sand	Total
Thomas & Son Trucking	\$11.36	\$11,360

Donald Growden	\$11.15	\$11,150
<b>1500 Tons Cinders</b>		<b>Total</b>
Thomas & Son Trucking	\$11.36	\$17,040
Donald Growden	\$10.85	\$16,275
<b>50 Tons Salt</b>		<b>Total</b>
Thomas & Son Trucking	\$77.00	\$3,850

No Action taken on the salt as the Township received it from Burgettstown Borough last year at roughly \$20 less per ton.

**Motion: To approve the bid from Donald Growden for Grit Sand at \$11.15 per ton and Cinders for \$10.85 per ton.**

Motion: David Duerr                    2<sup>nd</sup>: Herbert Grubbs

Vote: Mr. Lemmi-yes, Mr. Donohue-yes, Mr. Duerr-yes, Mr. Grubbs-yes, Mr. Winkler-yes

**Motion Passed**

2. Request from Charleen Grey for Tax Collectors Conference

Mr. Lemmi read the letter of request from Charleen Grey.

**Motion: To approve the request from Charleen Grey to reimburse the registration fee, mileage and two nights hotel to attend the 2013 Pennsylvania State Tax Collectors' Annual Convention.**

Motion: Herbert Grubbs                    2<sup>nd</sup>: David Duerr

Vote: Mr. Lemmi-yes, Mr. Donohue-yes, Mr. Duerr-yes, Mr. Grubbs-yes, Mr. Winkler-yes

**Motion Passed**

3. Consider letter of interest from Donnie Grey for the Sewer Authority

Mr. Lemmi read the letter from Mr. Grey.

**Motion: To appoint Donnie Grey to the Sewer Authority to complete the vacant term to expire December 31, 2014.**

Motion: Herbert Grubbs                    2<sup>nd</sup>: Donald Winkler

Vote: Mr. Lemmi-yes, Mr. Donohue-yes, Mr. Duerr-yes, Mr. Grubbs-yes, Mr. Winkler-yes

**Motion Passed**

4. Discussion regarding roof on the Covered Bridge

Mr. Duerr stated that he and Mr. Handick cleaned the roof on the Covered Bridge in the Park. Upon inspection, it appears that roughly 40% of the outer roof is gone.

-He would like to replace the existing roof with Galvaloom steel that has a 25 year warranty.

-A quote was received by Whitmers whose prices vary from \$6,100 to \$6,675 based on the gauge of steel used.

It was suggested to turn the execution of the project to the Park Board with a budget.

Mr. Makel verified that the quote included construction and materials.

Mr. Makel stated that any project over \$5,000 requires a bond but that can be waived by the Township.

-Mr. Grubbs suggested having the Township listed as an Additional Insured on the company's insurance that completes the work as opposed to a bond.

**Motion: To appoint Supervisor David Duerr to be the project manager on the replacement roof for the Covered Bridge in the Park with a budget of up to \$7,000.**

Motion: Herbert Grubbs            2<sup>nd</sup>: Kevin Lemmi

Vote: Mr. Lemmi-yes, Mr. Donohue-yes, Mr. Duerr-yes, Mr. Grubbs-yes, Mr. Winkler-yes

**Motion Passed**

5. Consider sidewalk replacement quotes for the Park

Mr. Grubbs has met with the Park Board and looked at some of the cement issues there.

-Around the upper bathroom and two areas in the ice skating rink need repaired.

Two bids have been received for repairing the damaged areas:

Schramm Services - \$8,225

Provenzano - \$5,650

**Motion: To approve the quote from Provenzano to repair the cement areas in the park for \$5,650 with proof of insurance.**

Motion: David Duerr            2<sup>nd</sup>: James Donohue

Vote: Mr. Lemmi-yes, Mr. Donohue-yes, Mr. Duerr-yes, Mr. Grubbs-yes, Mr. Winkler-yes

**Motion Passed**

**Not on Agenda:**

1. Findings of fact

**Motion: To adopt findings of fact and conclusions of law concerning loudermill hearings that occurred regarding Chief Geho in October and November of 2012.**

Motion: Kevin Lemmi            2<sup>nd</sup>: David Duerr

Mr. Makel confirmed that the information had been disseminated to the Board of Supervisors.

Mr. Makel asked the Board if they had any questions on the motion. There were none.

Mr. Makel recommended that Mr. Donohue neither discuss the issue nor vote on the motion.

-Mr. Makel requested the Board not discuss the issue.

-Mr. Makel suggested that Mr. Winkler abstain at this point and time but that it was Mr. Winkler's decision to abstain or vote.

Mr. Makel asked if the audience had any questions or comments regarding the motion.

-Mr. Niederriter asked for an update on the status of Chief Geho.

-Mr. Makel reiterated the motion.

Vote: Mr. Lemmi-yes, Mr. Donohue-abstain, Mr. Duerr-yes, Mr. Grubbs-yes, Mr. Winkler-yes

**Motion Passed**

2. Employment status of Chief James L. Geho

**Motion: To terminate the employment of Mr. Geho with the Hanover Township Police Department effective immediately and to authorize Attorney Montgomery who represented the Board at the loudermill hearings to submit a copy of the findings of fact and the conclusions of law to Mr. Geho and his council and also to take any other necessary steps concerning the same period.**

Motion: Kevin Lemmi            2<sup>nd</sup>: David Duerr

Mr. Makel asked if the Board had any questions or comments at this time. There were none.

Mr. Makel asked if the audience had any questions or comments.

-Mrs. Grey asked that the motion be clarified regarding the status of Mr. Geho.

-Mr. Makel stated the motion was to terminate his employment.

Vote: Mr. Lemmi-yes, Mr. Donohue-abstain, Mr. Duerr-yes, Mr. Grubbs-yes, Mr. Winkler-yes

**Motion Passed**

**Correspondence:**

None

**Public Comments:**

Mr. McKittrick asked if there were any plans for a compressor station or well pad on Paris Colliers Road.

-Nothing has been formally submitted to the Township for that area.

Mr. Winkler asked what the status of Dr. Jim Lauria was at the pavilion.

-Mr. Duerr stated that he had not attended the past two concerts but that the Assistant Manager has stepped up and done his job.

-Mr. Winkler asked if Mr. Duerr had contacted Dr. Lauria.

-Mr. Duerr said no because if there was an issue, Dr. Lauria should have contacted him.

-Mr. Winkler questioned why Dr. Lauria was overseeing traffic at some concerts.

-Mr. Duerr stated he didn't have an issue with him looking into the traffic issues and thinks that a manager anywhere should be involved on all levels. He was pleased with the job Dr. Lauria did, second in command at the pavilion has learned what he needs to and Mr. Duerr would like to use him for training in the future if at all possible. Mr. Duerr also stated that if this was going to be discussed further, he would like to go into executive session as it does have to do with personnel.

Mr. Donohue stated that there was a structure fire across from 541 Steubenville Pike on Sunday.

-Asst. Fire Chief Mark Wilson said that the installation of the new hydrants along that stretch of road saved the house from being a total loss.

Mr. Winkler asked how many Workers Comp claims came from pavilion employees this season.

-There were two.

Mr. Winkler questioned the employ of the Sherriff's Department at the pavilion.

-OIC Henry said that the Sherriff's office and HTPD have nothing to do with one another.

-The Sheriff's office is there at the request of Live Nation and the Township does not staff them.

-Mr. Makel suggested that this be made clear during contract negotiations for the 2014 season.

Mrs. Voelker thanked the Board for the appointment of Donnie Grey to the Sewer Authority.

-Mrs. Voelker also asked if anyone had looked into the leak at the old Township Building.

Mr. Grossman stated that there is water coming into the Paris Cemetery from the Scandola Addition.

-Mr. Grubbs said they would look into the issue and see where the water is coming from.

**Adjourn: 9:15pm**