

## October 10, 2022

A hearing was held at 7:00 p.m. to discuss and take comments from the public regarding adoption of the Northern Lehigh Multi Municipal Comprehensive Plan. Becky Bradley from the Lehigh Valley Planning Commission was in attendance to answer any questions regarding the plan. With no objections or public comments heard Linda Gorgas closed the hearing @ 7:03 p.m.

The Supervisors of Weisenberg Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania held their regularly scheduled meeting at 7:04 p.m. in person and on ZOOM due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Chairperson Linda Gorgas opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America. Anthony Werley, Richard Bleiler, Brian Carl, Jeffrey Strauss, Peter Lehr and Stan Wojciechowski also attended.

The meeting was advertised & conducted in accordance with Act 15. Roll call was conducted on all members and staff.

Linda Gorgas announced that an executive session was held tonight from 6:00 p.m. to 6:50 p.m. for employee matters.

Minutes of the September 12, 2022 Board of Supervisors meeting were approved by motion of Richard Bleiler seconded by Anthony Werley. Motion carried.

Minutes of the October 3, 2022 Budget meeting were approved by motion made by Anthony Werley seconded by Richard Bleiler. Motion carried.

The treasurer's report of September 30, 2022 as well as payment of current invoices presented was approved by motion of Richard Bleiler seconded by Anthony Werley. Motion carried.

### **Weisenberg Township Treasurer Report September 30, 2022**

General Fund Expenses	9/01/22 – 9/12/22	251,112.09
General Fund Expenses	9/13/22 – 9/30/22	319,047.83
State Fund Expenses	9/12/2022	3,444.67
Equipment Fund Expenses	9/12/2022	52,962.00
Fire Fund Expenses	9/12/2022	2,412.47
		<b><u>Balance as 9/30/2022</u></b>
General Fund Checking		4,244,757.26
State Fund Checking		-0-
State Fund Money Market		3,694.13
Equipment Fund Money Market		158,058.16
Arcadia Industrial Park Signalization Fund		92,970.27
Hillwood Signalization		32,494.62
Recreation Fund		74,713.34
Fire Tax Fund		548,891.03
Capital Projects Fund		311,806.07
Conservation District Fund		82,532.10
Open Space Money Market Fund		12,892.95
Yard Waste Money Market Fund		263,956.25
COVID Money		<u>360,638.80</u>

Total Assets 6,187,404.98

VISA Account Reconciliation – Brian

Beginning Balance 1,318.84  
 Payments (1,318.84)

Purchases	1&1	Internet email	32.71
	USPS	Postage	9.28
	Costco	Paper Towels	30.51
	Lathem Time	Monthly Time Clock	39.00
	<u>Zoom</u>	<u>Monthly Fee</u>	<u>14.99</u>

126.49  
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VISA Account Reconciliation – Tony

Beginning Balance 0.00  
 Payments (0.00)

Purchases

	Weis	Cake for Warren	87.08
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Ending Balance

**Resolution # 22-12** a motion was made by Anthony Werley to adopt the Northern Lehigh Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan, seconded by Richard Bleiler. Motion carried.

**SUBDIVISIONS & LAND DEVELOPMENT:**

**Granger – Lot Line Adjustment & Minor Subdivision – 1 New Lot – Final Plan Dated 9/13/22 (2141 Packhouse Road, Fogelsville PA)**

Rob Hain, Berks Surveying & Engineering, Inc. was in attendance to present the Final Plan for the applicant. The plan intends to revise the lot line between Lot #1 and Lot #2 to add approximately 3.34 acres from Lot #2 into Lot #1 on the north side of Packhouse Road. On the south side of Packhouse Road the intent is to subdivide Lot #3 to create one new lot as ±10.23 acre lot shown on plan as area B and a ±24.12 acre lot shown on the plan as residue Lot #3. Stan Wojciechowski reviewed his comment letter dated September 29, 2022 with the Board. Rob Hain agreed to make the corrections of some minor drafting issues on the plan before the Board. Anthony Werley stated that a correction was needed on Stan’s letter dated September 29<sup>th</sup>, under the first bullet for Lot#1 that it should say “located on the SOUTH side of Mohr Lane”. Stan agreed.

Richard Bleiler made a motion, seconded by Anthony Werley to approve the (3) waiver requests which are (1) plan scale to be drawn at 1” = 200’ (2) the requirements to delineate sloped areas of 15% and over on the plan and (3) the requirements to show contour lines at 10ft. instead of 2ft. and 5ft. intervals. Motion carried.

Richard Bleiler made a motion, seconded by Anthony Werley to approve the final plan subject to Stan's comment letter dated September 29, 2022. Motion carried.

Jeffrey A Bittner #3 – Minor Subdivision – 1 New Lot – Prel./Final Plan  
(4929 Werleys Corner Road)

Dean Zimmerman was in attendance to present the Minor Subdivision Plan. The site location is composed of a ± 35.31 acre lot. The plan proposes to create a 2 acre building lot for a single family dwelling at the intersection of Werleys Corner Road and Weisenberg Church Road. Stan Wojciechowski reviewed his comment letter dated September 30, 2022. The Agriculture Board supplied a letter to the applicant approving the plan .

A waiver of the plan scale was requested by the applicant to be drawn at 1" = 30' in lieu of 1' = 50' or 1' = 100' per our SALDO requirements. Stan has no objections to this request. Motion made by Anthony Werley, seconded by Richard Bleiler to approve the waiver request of the scale of the plan requirement §603.C.B.1. Motion carried.

Anthony Werley made a motion, seconded by Richard Bleiler to approve the prel./final plan subject to Stan's comment letter dated September 30, 2022. Motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Morgan Hills – Escrow Reduction

Morgan Hills (Seipstown Village) – Request for public improvements escrow reduction in the amount of **\$30,261.87** for a balance of **\$286,101.68** was approved by a motion made by Richard Bleiler and seconded by Anthony Werley. Motion carried.

Revised SALDO Ordinance

Tabled to next month.

Revised Storm Water Management Ordinance

Tabled to next month.

Commercial Fire Inspection/Fire Code Ordinance Adoption

**Ordinance # 22-1** Motion to adopt the 2018 International Fire Code was made by Richard Bleiler, seconded by Anthony Werley. Motion carried. Brian Carl will be mailing out letters to businesses notifying them of the adoption of the 2018 International Fire Code. This will only affect stand-alone businesses and not in-home business that are located within the Township. A fee schedule will be forthcoming in the next month.

Radar/Speeding Enforcement

Brian Carl informed the Board that he researched the idea of radar ticketing. Unfortunately the state of PA does not allow automated enforcement unless it is in an active work zone. PA is the only state that does not allow municipal police departments to use radar. Discussion and approval was granted by the Board to have BIA look at Siegfriedale Road to see if it meets the requirements of a residents district which can have a speed limit of 25mph. The speed trailer is currently on Siegfriedale Road.

Act 57 Resolution

**Resolution # 22-13** Motion was made by Anthony Werley, seconded by Richard Bleiler to adopt Act 57 directing the tax collector to waive additional charges for real estate taxes in certain situations. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

AG Security Application –Susanne Miller – 3867 Rhoads Road (10282 Old 22 & 10284 Old 22)

A motion made by Richard Bleiler to accept the application to add 34.1 acres to the Township's Agricultural Security Area for Susanne T. Miller (10282 Old 22 - # 543640224782-1 = 6.9 acres) and (10284 Old 22 - # 543539757719-1 = 27.2 acres) seconded by Anthony Werley. Motion carried.

Old 22/863 – Temporary Signal – PennDOT

Brian Carl discussed with the Board the temporary signal at Old 22/863 that is proposed by PennDOT. The Township would prefer a fully functioning signal with mast arms set back so the trucks could make the turns. Brian will inform PennDOT that the Township would agree to take over a fully functioning signal.

Motion made by Anthony Werley, seconded by Richard Bleiler that the Township is not in favor of taking over ownership of a temporary light signal as proposed. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None

**WEISENBERG VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT'S COMMENTS:**

Matt Krapf, Fire Chief, informed the Board that they had 126 calls so far in 2022. A hoagie fundraiser will run until October 25<sup>th</sup> with a pick-up date of November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022. He reviewed his comment letter dated 10/10/2022 regarding the activity of the fire department and their members. The 2023 operating budget is complete and their November Fund Drive will be mailed out in the next few weeks.

**EAC COMMENTS:**

Marty Rakaczewski informed the Board that the EAC will be out at the Weisenberg walking trail and gazebo this weekend. They will be doing some tree trimming on the trail, fixing bird boxes and miscellaneous repairs and clean-up around the gazebo. Marty will be attending an EAC class at the Haverford Community and Environmental Center on October 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**ROAD MASTER'S COMMENTS:**

Anthony Werley informed the Board that they are finishing up the last of the paving on the walking trail. Line painting is now completed as well. He advised that they took the grass mower off and put the boom mower on. They started brush trimming and getting ready for the upcoming winter season. Tony informed the Board that the heat exchangers on 2 heaters at the maintenance building failed. Brian will contact two other heating contractors for quotes as they already have one. Motion made by Richard Bleiler, seconded by Linda Gorgas to approve the lowest bid price to replace the 2 heaters at the maintenance building. Motion carried.

**ENGINEER'S COMMENTS:**

Stan Wojciechowski stated that Ryan from his office has been working with Brian regarding the crossing at the elementary school and Waste Management. This crosswalk would be similar to other walking/bike crossings on the Ironton Rail Trail in the County.

**ATTORNEY'S COMMENTS:**

None

**TREASURER'S COMMENTS:**

Jeff Strauss informed the Board that Mr. Epler (resident of Hailey Ct.) passed away recently. Mr. Epler overpaid his sewer bill and the overage will be credited to his account. The credit card machine has arrived and a representative from the Bank will be coming out to show us how to use it. There will be a 3.5% fee for the use of a credit card payment. This will be posted on the website and at the office.

**Resolution # 22-14** was approved by motion made by Richard Bleiler, seconded by Anthony Werley to open a new bank account for credit card transactions. Motion carried.

Jeff also informed the Board that CD rates are on the rise. He will advise the Board next month as he was informed by the bank that interest rates on short term CD's are going up again.

**SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS:**

None

**TOWNSHIP MANAGER' COMMENTS:**

Brian informed the Board that the file room has now been emptied of the filing cabinets and a conference table was installed for executive sessions. Approval was given by the Board to have Brian list the filing cabinets on MunicibiD and if that doesn't work then he will have them scrapped.

With no further business, Linda Gorgas adjourned the meeting at 7:55 pm for the payment of invoices presented and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian C. Carl, Township Manager