

**HILLTOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING
Monday, September 23, 2013**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Hilltown Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairperson Barbara A. Salvadore at 7:05PM and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Also present: John B. McIlhinney, Vice-Chairman
James C. Groff, Supervisor
Randy Tanghe, Lt. Detective, Hilltown Police
Francis X. Grabowski, Township Solicitor
C. Robert Wynn, Township Engineer
Lynda S. Seimes, Township Secretary

A. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- 1) The Board met in Executive Session following the last meeting to discuss legal and real estate matters.
- 2) A Public Hearing will be held this Wednesday, September 25, 2013 to consider the following Request for Re-zoning – Sustainable Waste Solutions Re-zoning for property located on the west side of Bethlehem Pike, south of the intersection with Keystone Drive, TMP #15-1-8 from Light Industrial to Heavy Industrial Zoning District.
- 3) The Bucks County Health Department is sponsoring the Annual Influenza Drill on Saturday, September 28, 2013 between the hours of 11AM and 2PM at the following locations:
 - Calvary Church, 820 Rt. 113, Hilltown Township
 - Tohickon Middle School, 5051 Old Easton Road, Doylestown
 - Holland Middle School, 400 E. Holland Road, Holland
 - Harry S. Truman High School, 3001 Green Lane, Levittown

**For additional information, please contact BCHD at 215-345-3318.
- 4) Green Street, between Rt. 113 and Fairhill Road, will be closed to through traffic beginning today for utility line construction for the Hilltown Walk development. Motorists should use caution in the area and obey posted detour signs. Access will be maintained to the residences within the work area; and as much as possible, the work area will be made passable at the end of each work day.

B. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY: None.

C. CONSENT AGENDA:

- Minutes of August 26, 2013 Supervisor's Meeting.

- Bills List dated September 10, 2013.
- Financial Report for August, 2013.
- Acceptance of 2014 MMO (Minimum Municipal Obligation) for Hilltown Township Police and Non-Uniform Pension Plans.

Motion was made by Supervisor McIlhinney, seconded by Supervisor Groff, and carried unanimously to accept and approve the Consent Agenda items as noted above. There was no public comment.

D. PLANNING – Mr. C. Robert Wynn, Township Engineer –

1) Mill Road Bridge Status Report – Mr. Wynn attended the Mill Road bridge preconstruction meeting at PennDot on September 18th. It is anticipated that Mill Road will be closed and construction will begin on October 7, 2013, with the contract running until August 4, 2014. Progress meetings will be held on the Tuesdays following the scheduled Supervisor's meetings at 10AM at the Township building. Progress payment requests are to be sent by Blooming Glen Contractors to PennDot for authorization, and PennDot will then email the payment request to Mr. Wynn for review. The Township will then pay the contractor after the PennDot payment is received. The contractor is required to secure a location for an inspection trailer for PennDot. Since the trailer must remain at the site for 30 days after work is complete, it cannot be placed on the closed portion of Mill Road between Church and Rickert Roads. Blooming Glen Contractors will meet with a neighboring property owner who has provided an easement to determine if the inspection trailer can be placed there. All work must be completed by August 22, 2014, however the contractor advised that they anticipate completion by early summer of 2014.

E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1) Bucks County Emergency Services Radio Project- Discussion took place concerning Chief Engelhart's memo dated September 18th and the proposed radio order for the Bucks County Emergency Services Radio Project, which will replace all current County radio equipment presently utilized by the Police Department. The order consists of 14 mobile units, 21 portable units, and ancillary equipment. The grand total for the order is \$171,338.68, which will be financed through Bucks County over seven years at a rate of 1.5% per annum through their Bond.

Motion was made by Supervisor McIlhinney, seconded by Supervisor Groff, and carried unanimously to direct Township Manager, Rick Schnaedter and Chief Engelhart to proceed with ordering the radios as outlined in Chief Engelhart's memo dated September 18, 2013, and to finance the purchase of this equipment through Bucks County in the amount of \$171,338.68 over seven years at a rate of 1.5% per annum through the County's bond. There was no public comment.

F. NEW BUSINESS:

1) Revised Traffic Signal Approval to PennDot – Bethlehem Pike (aka: Rt. 309) and Hilltown Crossings Shopping Center – Mr. Wynn explained that the adoption of a Resolution is required to make revisions to the Rt. 309/Hilltown Crossings Shopping Center, to include the addition of a dedicated right turn lane on southbound Rt. 309, revisions to lane/line striping to accommodate the right turn lane, updating of the pedestrian signals, and ADA improvements

Motion was made by Supervisor McIlhinney, seconded by Supervisor Groff, and carried unanimously to **adopt Resolution #2013-22, to forward an Application for Traffic Signal Approval to PennDot and to sign said application on behalf of the municipality, for the Bethlehem Pike (aka: Rt. 309) and Hilltown Crossings Shopping Center intersection, as specified above.** There was no public comment.

2) H&K Quarry – Request for Extension of Operating Hours – October 2013 – Both Concrete /Asphalt Batch Plants and Secondary Crushing Plant – Motion was made by Supervisor McIlhinney, seconded by Supervisor Groff, and carried unanimously to approve H&K Quarry request for extension of Operating Hours thru October 31, 2013 for both the Concrete/Asphalt Batch Plants and the Secondary Crushing Plant. There was no public comment.

3) Consider establishing policy for Meeting Room Use – Chairperson Salvadore requested that this item be placed on the agenda for discussion. Supervisor McIlhinney noted that the initial discussion on this issue stemmed from how to determine established legitimate civic or community groups from individuals who wished to use the meeting room for personal reasons. While he agrees that the Board should consider establishing a policy, Supervisor Groff suggested the matter be tabled for consideration at a future meeting. Chairperson Salvadore and Supervisor McIlhinney agreed, suggesting it be reconsidered in a month or two.

4) Bid Award – Bid #2013-7 - Sodium Chloride for 2013/2014 Winter Season – Bids for Sodium Chloride for the 2013/2014 Winter Season were opened on September 10, 2013 thru the Bucks County Consortium with the following results:

	<u>Delivered</u>	<u>Undelivered</u>
	<u>Price per Ton</u>	<u>Price per Ton</u>
International Salt Company, LLC	\$ 50.44	\$ 50.00
Cargill Inc. Deicing Technology	\$ 58.13	\$ 56.00
American Rock Salt Co. LLC	\$ 66.25	\$ 50.00
Oceanport, LLC	\$ 69.75	\$ 65.00

Motion was made by Supervisor McIlhinney, seconded by Supervisor Groff, and carried unanimously to award Bid #2013-7 for Sodium Chloride for the 2013/2014 Winter Season to International Salt Co., LLC in the amount of \$50.44/ton delivered, and \$50.00/ton undelivered. There was no public comment.

G. SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS: None.

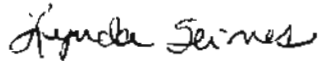
H. PUBLIC COMMENT:

1) Mr. Mark Geitz of Longleaf Drive stated his opposition to the proposed re-zoning of property located along Bethlehem Pike from Light Industrial to Heavy Industrial for construction of a Trash Transfer Station by Sustainable Waste Solutions. He provided the Board with correspondence from a realtor quoting an anticipated 32-35% drop in neighboring property values if the transfer station is approved, and also cited the increased truck traffic and odors associated with a transfer station.

I. PRESS CONFERENCE: There were no questions from those reporters present.

J. ADJOURNMENT: Upon motion by Supervisor McIlhinney, seconded by Supervisor Groff, and carried unanimously, the September 23, 2013 Hilltown Township Board of Supervisors meeting was adjourned at 7:28PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Lynda Seimes
Township Secretary

(*NOTE: These minutes were transcribed from notes and recordings and are not considered official until approved by the Board of Supervisors at a public meeting).