# HILLTOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WORKSESSION MEETING MONDAY, APRIL 10, 2023

The work session meeting of the Hilltown Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairman James Groff at 7:00 PM and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Also in attendance were Vice Chairman Caleb Torrice, Supervisor John McIlhinney, Township Manager Lorraine Leslie, Township Solicitor Jack Wuerstle, Chief of Police Christopher Engelhart, and Finance Director Marianne Egan.

1. <u>ANNOUNCEMENTS:</u> Chairman Groff announced there was an Executive Session prior to the meeting to discuss legal matters.

# 2. <u>CONSENT AGENDA:</u>

- a) Minutes of the March 27, 2023, Board of Supervisors Meeting
- b) Bills List: April 11, 2023
- c) Financial Report: March 31, 2023

Vice Chairman Torrice asked for the minutes to be tabled until the next meeting for an item to be clarified. **Motion was made** by Supervisor McIlhinney, seconded by Vice Chairman Torrice, and carried unanimously to approve items 2(b) and 2(c) on the Consent Agenda. There was no public comment.

Chairman Groff stated the swearing in of new Police Officer, Deslyn Nurse Weaver, is moved up on the agenda. **Motion was made** by Supervisor McIlhinney, seconded by Vice Chairman Torrice, and carried unanimously to hire Deslyn Nurse Weaver, Badge #30, as a Police Officer of Hilltown Township Police Department. There was no public comment. Chairman Groff proceeded with the swearing in ceremony and gave the Oath of Office to Officer Weaver.

#### 3. <u>CONFIRMED APPOINTMENT:</u>

- a) <u>Pennridge Community Day:</u> No one was in attendance. **Motion was made** by Supervisor McIlhinney, seconded by Vice Chairman Torrice, and carried unanimously to contribute \$100 to the Pennridge Community Day celebration to be held on July 9, 2023. There was no public comment. Ms. Leslie noted the Township also supplies Police services for the event at the Township's expense.
- 4. <u>LEGAL</u>: None.
- 5. PLANNING: None.
- 6. ENGINEERING: None.

#### 7. <u>UNFINISHED BUSINESS:</u>

a) Continued Discussion Zoning Hearing Board Appeal 2023-007: Todd & Jennifer Huber Variance Request: Solicitor Wuerstle stated, after counsel for the applicants did research, they found evidence bringing the impervious coverage to 20.5% but noted there was not a 660 sq ft deck permit in the file, bringing the existing impervious to approximately 22%. John Iannozzi, Esq, Hamburg, Rubin, Mullin, Maxwell & Lupin, was in attendance on behalf of Todd & Jennifer Huber, and stated the applicants have a Zoning Hearing Board application pending, requesting relief for a deck to be within 10' from the property line (at which time a letter was provided from the adjacent property owner stating there was no opposition

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to the Zoning application), and relief from the proposed 28.4% of impervious area. The Supervisors requested a reduction of the impervious area to bring the percentage down to 25% with Mr. Iannozzi stating 28.4% would be the ceiling and the max for the property forever. Jennifer Huber stated there are two knockouts instead of one and, having nine boys between 5 and 18, there is a need for adult supervision. Mr. Iannozzi offered these conditions for Zoning Hearing Board Approval: 1. 28.4% impervious is the ceiling. 2. The applicant will pay for the deck permit which is double the cost of the permit plus 10%. 3. The pool company must be named and will execute an affidavit stating they are aware of what has to be built. It was confirmed a letter will be submitted to the Zoning Hearing Board stating the proposed conditions from the Township.

### 8. NEW BUSINESS:

- a) <u>Swearing in of New Police Officer Deslyn Nurse Weaver:</u> This was completed at the beginning of the meeting.
- b) <u>H&K Extension of Hours May 1 31, 2023</u>: Lorraine Leslie stated H&K has requested to operate the concrete batch plant, asphalt batch plant, and the crushing plant between the hours of 6:30 pm to 6:30 am, Monday through Saturday, between May 1, 2023, and May 31, 2023, excluding holidays, for the PennDOT projects per their letter dated March 30, 2023, and did not have extended hours for the month of March. **Motion was made** by Supervisor McIlhinney, seconded by Vice Chairman Torrice, and carried unanimously to grant the extension of hours between May 1, 2023, and May 31, 2023, for the Concrete, Asphalt and Crushing Plant at the Skunkhollow Quarry per their letter dated March 20, 2023, with the exception of striking the part in the letter in regard to "and/or private customers". There was no public comment.
- 9. <u>SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS:</u> Chairman Groff stated the Water & Sewer Authority has tested for PFOA's and PFO's and all is clear and well below the limits of detection. Also, North Penn will be flushing May 21<sup>st</sup> May 28<sup>th</sup> for the residents who live in Berry Brow.
- 10. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.
- 11. PRESS CONFERENCE: None.
- 12. <u>ADJOURNMENT:</u> Upon motion by Vice Chairman Torrice, seconded by Supervisor McIlhinney, and carried unanimously, the April 10, 2023, Hilltown Township Board of Supervisors work session meeting was adjourned at 7:24 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorraine E. Leslie Township Manager

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