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**I. OPENING**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The General Business & Developer meeting of Lower Saucon Township Council was called to order on Wednesday, October 19, 2022 at 6:33 p.m. with Mr. Jason Banonis, presiding.

**ROLL CALL: Present:** Jason Banonis, President; Sandra Yerger, Vice President, Priscilla deLeon (speaker phone), Mark Inglis, and Tom Carocci (arrived at 6:37 p.m.), Council Members; Mark Hudson, Township Manager; Linc Treadwell, Township Solicitor; Cathy Gorman, Director of Finance; Brien Kocher, Township Engineer; and Stacy Werkheiser, Administrative Assistant.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF ANY EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF APPLICABLE)** – Mr. Banonis said Council did not meet in executive session this evening.

**II. PUBLIC COMMENT – TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS ONLY – 3 MINUTE TIME LIMIT – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

Mr. Banonis said the Public Comment procedure is on the website and available on the table. We have a three-minute comment period. If anyone would like to speak on any agenda items, please come forward and identify yourself.

- Laura Ray, 3357 Lower Saucon Road said she wanted to talk about the landfill expansion. She wants to note that the whole packet of information that came in about two weeks ago, the EAC was not on the distribution. They certainly should be looking at that. One of the changes being proposed was to allow to utilize a greater area of natural resource protection land than permitted by our resource protection standards and that's something the EAC would want to look at carefully. The landfill is looking to exempt them from site plan approval process which makes it easier for them, less eyes on it. That doesn't seem like a good idea. The big one is the landfill has no objections if Council wishes to amend our zoning to change having landfill and waste disposal facilities permitted by special exception. They want to change that as it falls under the ZHB's jurisdiction. They prefer it to be a conditional use which falls under LST Council's jurisdiction. This seems very unethical given that the corporation that owns the landfill has made large contributions to support elections of certain Council members, now and in the past. That seems to be a big conflict of interest. She thinks it would be poor if you did not recuse yourself from voting on something like that; and also taking zoning out of it is a whole other very important entity pulled out of the process. This is a big thing, it's not "I want to put a pool in my backyard". This is big and affects things going for the next 50, 60, 70, 80 years on and on. She still has comments about the budget. She noticed on page 124 there's an asterisk by "Library Funding" but she didn't find a footnote to go with the asterisk. Where the Open Space Funds are talked about in Revenues on page 139 it showed \$500,000.00 of Open Space Revenue for 2022 which seems very high. She knows whatever last quarter of 2021 would have fell into 2022 but she thinks \$500,000.00 is high and not correct. If you go on page 141, there's no mention...Mr. Banonis interrupted her and said her three minutes were up and there are others that are going to speak. Ms. Ray said very important topics, three minutes.

Mr. Banonis noted Mr. Carocci arrived; the time was 6:37 p.m.

- JoEllen Thomson, 1819 Viola Lane would like to address a budget item under "Library Funding". She refers to page 17 of the LS budget expenditures under General Funds. This shows that the 2023 budget is for \$160,000.00 and the 2022 budget was for \$107,000.00 plus which is an increase of \$52,832.00. She'd like to refer to a comment made by Mr. Banonis at the Council meeting of September 21<sup>st</sup> when he so eloquently stated that "The economy, particularly the Finance system is in shambles. Inflation is out of control. We need to be mindful that each and every resident of this Township is feeling the pinch of this. We need to be very conscious how we treat their dollars." Since you are President and therefore represent this Council, she interprets this as his extreme concern about the budget and how it affects all taxpayers. The economy and inflation are out of your control, but you have complete control regarding the amounts you put into this library budget. You are increasing the library budget by \$52,832.00 and not providing any explanation as to who will be providing these services. If it is to be Southern Lehigh Public Library (SLPL), since you have been engaging in meetings with them, then you are not correctly reflecting the amount of money in this budget needed to join them. She attended last night's SLPL board meeting where it

was stated that the library per capita payment would be \$15.06 versus the current rate of \$9.66 to Hellertown which is an increase of \$5.40. LST would have to pay a one-time non-refundable fee of \$300,000.00 and should an anticipated state funding shortfall occur, approximately \$25,000.00, LST would also have to pay that difference to SLPL. Therefore, in order to correctly reflect the library expenses, you need to add another \$325,000.00 to the \$160,000.00 for a total of \$485,000.00 for library. According to the organizational chart provided with the budget, it showed that Council is under the voters and therefore Council has a responsibility to answer to the voters. As a taxpayer and a voter, she would like to believe you are acting with integrity. While she may not always agree with your decisions, she would be able to respect them. Regarding this library budget issue, your words and actions contradict each other. Your words need to be very conscious how we treat taxpayer dollars and your actions increasing library expenditures. This makes her wonder what is really going on with this library issue.

- Matthew McClarin, 2198 Riverside Drive said he'd like to discuss the request for zoning map and text amendments changes. We were all here seven or eight years ago for a long time. While he's not totally opposed to this, he thinks there is some due diligence on Council's part to where things may need to change with this plan, one being the light industrial district that's being proposed goes all the way down to Riverside Drive. As Council, you should look at this rezoning as basically it's not just for the landfill but also for the properties and the property sitting there it opens up pretty much whether there would be a quarry down Riverside Drive or other industrial uses down there. He knows it was proposed seven or eight years ago to pretty much split the zoning line down the center of the property basically for disposal area and then back down to where it would be Riverside Drive keep that as RA. He doesn't know if that's an option this time or maybe Bethlehem could do a favor and subdivide their property, that way the Township has a guarantee that any of that RA zoning would stay RA along the river on the steep slopes and down Riverside Drive. That wouldn't be too much to request as far as the zoning change. The other thing he'd like to suggest the elevation of the mountain currently is about 660' above sea level. Their proposal is about 725' so you are talking about 75' above the top elevation. He would suggest Bethlehem does their due diligence on their study basically out of Steel City and some surrounding areas and give us some site lines whether it's during the winter or the summer, both ways. There's a big section that wraps around the hill climb property and it's almost going closer to the river. There are several things that he thinks everyone can make it work, but he doesn't think it's unreasonable to ask some of these things. His next thing is the LVPC is going to come out against it like last time just because their future plan indicates things along with our own Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan. He knows it has in there about the open space trading off. One suggestion would be they trade off the open space on that side with the property on the west and basically sign that over to the Township and that way we know it's guaranteed and they aren't coming any closer to Steel City and we don't have to go through the whole thing again.

### **III. PRESENTATIONS/HEARINGS**

#### **A. INTRODUCTION OF JUNIOR COUNCIL PERSONS FOR THE 2022/2023 SCHOOL YEAR**

Mr. Banonis said two students who are interested in participating in the Jr. Council Person Program are being recommended to Council for appointments to the various boards, the first one is Rudra Thakkar. As he understands it, Rudra is a junior at SVHS. Rudra has shown great eagerness to start in this role as a Jr. Council member and submitted a letter back in February 2022. He's looking for an opportunity to serve the community at the same time develop a more depth understanding of the functions of the Township and local government as a whole and to develop and hone his leadership skills. He believes there's no minimum age to start contributing by engaging in issues that impact the community. Nitya is also a junior at SVHS and her family had moved here to LST in 2017. She loves living in Saucon Valley, she was treasurer of the National Jr. Honor Society last year. She's interested in the Jr. Council program because she's always been very interested in what happens in the Township and what goes in behind the scenes. She takes much joy in planning and organization and this will present an opportunity for her to build her leadership skills and start contributing to our society. She specifically wants to start participating in the Planning Commission because she has a certain passion for planning and organizing. She believes that a combination of something that she enjoys and something that is interesting is a recipe made for success, and he agrees.

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**MOTION BY:** Mr. Banonis moved for approval of Rudra Thakkar and Nitya Thakkar to the Jr. Council Program for the 2022/2023 school year.

**SECOND BY:** Mrs. Yerger

**ROLL CALL:** 5-0

Mr. Banonis said congratulations, you are officially our Jr. Council Members for LST. He looks forward to seeing them at the meetings and he told them to reach out if they have any questions.

**IV. DEVELOPER ITEMS**

**A. LOT LINE ADJUSTMENT – 2066 YOB LANE AND 2069 WYDNOR AVE. - #MIN 02-22**

Mr. David Bray, Jena Engineering said Brien Kocher's letter seems like everything is fine. There were a couple of waivers they had asked for. Mr. Kocher said we are seeing the second plan. They got HEA's first review letter and they revised the plan and that's the plan before you tonight. It's pretty clean. They are asking for waivers which are normal waivers. It's just a lot line adjustment and no new lots are created. Brien said he has nothing further than what is already in the conditions.

**MOTION BY:** Mr. Banonis moved to approve the lot line adjustment at 2066 Yob Lane and 2069 Wydnor Avenue subject to the comments that our Engineer had provided in his October 13, 2022 letter. Attorney Treadwell asked if there was a draft motion. Mr. Kocher said yes. Attorney Treadwell asked him to read it. Mr. Kocher read the draft motion (*see draft motion from HEA attached to the minutes*).

**MOTION BY:** Mr. Banonis amended his motion and added the waivers and conditions stated in the October 13, 2022 draft motion (*see draft motion from HEA attached to the minutes*).

**SECOND BY:** Mrs. Yerger

**ROLL CALL:** 5-0

**B. SAUCON VALLEY COUNTRY CLUB HOLDING TANK AGREEMENT**

Mr. Banonis said Saucon Valley Country Club is installing a bathroom facility on the golf course and will be utilizing a holding tank.

Mr. Kocher said they are proposing a bathroom out on the course. It's not really close to any other facility so they are going to put a holding tank in for the limited amount that it would be used anyway. They've gone through the procedure and Linc has an agreement and the SEO has reviewed it and believes it meets all the Township and DEP regulations. Attorney Treadwell said the motion would be to execute the holding tank agreement and forward it to the applicant for signature.

Ms. deLeon said she read somewhere about the six months or eighteen months, she forgets which way it was, where they had to hook up to the sewer line as it will be coming out that way. Attorney Treadwell said that's only if it becomes available. Ms. deLeon said what happens if it doesn't. Attorney Treadwell said then they would ask to renew the holding tank agreement. Ms. deLeon said then they will just keep getting it over and over again. Attorney Treadwell said yes, unless public sewer shows up or the soil somehow become suitable for an on-lot system.

Ms. deLeon said is there anything in the works right now that they are planning in that vicinity that is going to extend the sewer line out there. Attorney Treadwell said Brien is shaking his head and he doesn't know of anything. He doesn't know of any projects in that area that would necessitate the extension of public sewer. Ms. deLeon said she's just wondering if we would be this kind to a resident if they needed a holding tank. We are very strict with our rules that they have to do x, y and z. They can only have it for a certain amount of time. Now we are letting the Country Club have it.

Mr. Banonis said he thinks the property is 91.22 acres. He's not sure of any residents that have 91.22 acres in the Township that would come in and seek similar relief although it could be possible. Attorney Treadwell said this is the exact same holding tank agreement that anyone in LST who has a holding tank has to sign. Ms. deLeon said she's glad to hear that.

**MOTION BY:** Mr. Banonis moved for approval to execute the holding tank agreement for a bathroom facility, and forward a copy of it to Saucon Valley Country Club.

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**SECOND BY:** Mr. Inglis

**ROLL CALL:** 5-0 (Ms. deLeon said she's voting yes, but she might not vote yes six months from now)

**V. TOWNSHIP BUSINESS ITEMS**

**A. HELLER HOMESTEAD – PARK SIGN REPLACEMENT**

Mr. Banonis said we have received a price quote to replace the Heller Homestead park sign. The same design specifications as the previous sign will be used adding weather-resistant materials. As he recalls the conversations from Parks and Recreation, the concerns were that the signs we've been using in the parks, the materials are not conducive to longevity. We are looking for something more durable and cost effective.

Mr. Hudson said we went for a sign that is going to look very much the same. As you are driving by you probably won't be able to tell the difference except it will have a metal post. It will have product called aluminate on the inside where the sign will be and then vinyl graphics will be put on there. With the Heller Homestead sign, they had two rows of interchangeable letters so their sign will have a special double row where they can change letters on it.

Mr. Banonis said in one of our Parks and Rec. meetings, probably in September, there was a representative from the Historical Society who approached us when we were meeting at the Heller Homestead and they had mentioned the reason why they have a sign hanging from the side of the building is because that sign was down. He thinks this will alleviate their concerns and provide the signage for them. Maybe we can approach them about taking down the banner in between the windows. Mr. Hudson said once we get the sign up, he thinks we'll be able to take care of all of that.

Ms. deLeon said has anyone from the Saucon Valley Conservancy seen a picture of the sign. Mr. Banonis said it's the same as the sign that was there before, just a different material. Mr. Hudson said he spoke with Russell. Ms. deLeon said so they are okay with it. Mr. Hudson said yes. Ms. deLeon said at one time they were complaining about putting in the letters, but that's what it was. Mr. Hudson said they asked for that. Ms. deLeon said great.

**MOTION BY:** Mr. Banonis moved for approval of the estimate not to exceed the amount of \$2,385.00 and to replace the sign.

**SECOND BY:** Ms. deLeon

**ROLL CALL:** 5-0

**B. LUTZ-FRANKLIN SCHOOLHOUSE – PROPOSED SHUTTER REPAIR**

Mr. Banonis said the Lower Saucon Township Historical Society is requesting permission to restore the shutters on the Lutz-Franklin Schoolhouse. The Historical Society has raised the funds for this restoration.

Mrs. Yerger said they've gone through all the proper steps. They worked with the National Historic Register people, they worked to get approval for all of this because it is on the National Historic Register. They've done all the right steps and she applauds them. They did a great job.

**MOTION BY:** Ms. deLeon moved for approval of the proposed shutter repair at the Lutz-Franklin Schoolhouse.

Ms. deLeon said she's pleased they raised the funds. The community was very kind to contribute and donate to this cause.

**SECOND BY:** Mr. Banonis

**ROLL CALL:** 5-0

**C. RESOLUTION #69-2022 – AUTHORIZE SUBMISSION OF A PENNSYLVANIA DCNR PARK REHABILITATION AND DEVELOPMENT GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE EASTON ROAD BALLFIELD REPLACEMENT PROJECT**

Mr. Banonis said Resolution #69-2022 authorizing the submission of the PA DCNR Park Rehabilitation and Development Grant Application for the Easton Road Ballfield Replacement Project. The draft resolution is included in the Council packet.

Mr. Hudson said this is the same as what we did for the Monroe and the Lehigh Valley Gaming grants. DCNR came out with a special grant round. Usually, DCNR only does grants in April of every year, but this is a special round due to the COVID money that the State received. This is another opportunity for the Township to try to get a grant to help with the construction of the Easton Road Ballfields. Mrs. Yerger thanked the Manager and Cathy for finding this grant.

**MOTION BY:** Mr. Banonis moved for approval of Resolution #69-2022 authorizing submission of a Pennsylvania DCNR Park Rehabilitation and Development grant application for the Easton Road Ballfield Replacement Project.

**SECOND BY:** Mrs. Yerger

**ROLL CALL:** 5-0

**D. PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD REQUESTS**

**a. Steel City Park – Benches, Tree, Water Fountain**

**b. Town Hall Park – Ballfield Gates and Remove Stage**

**c. Southeastern Park – Backstop Padding**

Mr. Banonis said the Parks and Recreation Board had made a request on the above improvements to the parks. We talked about this in prior meetings and he brought it up in his Council reports from time to time.

Mr. Hudson said they want to install two 6' benches at Steel City Park, purchase gates for the Town Hall baseball field and backstop padding at the Southeastern Park. They will purchase to six-to-seven-foot Norway Spruce for Steel City Park which they will install. The residents in Steel City are looking to use that tree and put holiday lights on it in the holiday season. They are also looking to put a drinking fountain and pet bowl at Steel City Park.

Mrs. Yerger said there was one concern. She walks the Rail Trail a lot and there is that kind of feature, the pet bowl, and drinking fountain along the Rail Trail and it is almost never working. We have to be very diligent on making sure we find one that works. Mrs. Gorman said the one at the Rail Trail is an all-weather unit which she's been told by the Director of Public Works is susceptible to damage and parts can be hard to be replaced and that's why he's recommending another kind. Mrs. Yerger said then that's good.

Mr. Carocci had a question about the Norway Spruce at Steel City Park. He and Mark had a discussion with a resident and it's going to be in an appropriate place where it won't interfere with the pavilion and they will be able to get electricity to it for lights? Mr. Inglis said yes. They have it set up that most of the people of Steel City will be able to see it. That's what the hope was that it would be visible to most of the residents. Mr. Carocci said Donna, you are a resident of Steel City, are you happy with where this tree is going? Ms. Louder said yes (could not hear, did not come to the microphone). Mr. Inglis said it makes good sense.

Ms. deLeon said she didn't hear anything of what Donna said. Mr. Hudson said Donna said she met with Mark I. last evening and they chose a spot for the tree and she's very happy where it will go. It's going to replace a tree that is dying or diseased currently.

Ms. deLeon said she just heard bits and pieces about the water fountain. Is it going to be one that can be used in the wintertime? Mr. Hudson said no, it won't be able to be used in the wintertime as we haven't had any luck with those frost-free ones, so it's going to be turned off in the winter probably in November. It will be turned back on in April. Mrs. Yerger said the other one doesn't work at all, ever.

Mr. Hudson said the last thing on the list is the removal of Town Hall stage which is run down and is a little bit of an eye sore. Mr. Banonis said they talked about that in Parks and Rec. and he brought it up in his Council report that it was a hazard and we had not identified a need for replacement so they thought it should be taken down.

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**MOTION BY:** Mr. Banonis moved for approval of the Parks and Recreation Board requests for Steel City Park for benches, tree and water fountain; Town Hall Park for ballfield gates and removing of the stage; and in the Southeastern Park for the backstop padding.  
**SECOND BY:** Mr. Inglis  
**ROLL CALL:** 5-0

**E. LOWER SAUCON ROAD CULVERT REPLACEMENT PROJECT PAYMENT #1**

Mr. Banonis said Hanover Engineering Associates is recommending payment #1 to DESSCO in the amount of \$264,802.50 for the work done on the Lower Saucon Road Culvert Replacement.

Mr. Hudson said the culvert is coming along very nicely. The culvert is in, and they have the stone in for the blacktop. They hope to come in and blacktop within the next week or two. Then the only thing we are waiting for is the guiderail that will go on top of the culvert structure and the hope is that will be installed in the next two to three weeks. Hopefully, within a month this road will be reopened.

Mr. Banonis said he'd like to thank Brien, Mark and Roger from Public Works. There was a lot of effort put into this. We had time constraints because of DEP. We needed to get an extension of two weeks to allow us in the stream bed to get this installed. We also had remnants of Hurricane Ian and had torrential downpours and they were still able to get this done. He knows the residents in the Southeastern and Wassergass area are anxiously awaiting the opening of this bridge. It's been a long time because of the environmental issues and it looks like it's close to being brought to conclusion. Mrs. Yerger said she knows the residents are happy.

**MOTION BY:** Mr. Banonis moved for approval of the payment #1 to DESSCO in the amount of \$264,802.50 for the Lower Saucon Road culvert replacement project.  
**SECOND BY:** Mrs. Yerger  
**ROLL CALL:** 5-0

**F. BETHLEHEM LANDFILL COMPANY REQUEST FOR ZONING MAP AND TEXT AMENDMENT**

Mr. Banonis said the Bethlehem Landfill Company (BLC) has requested that the Township consider amendments to the zoning map, in the area of Applebutter Road and text of the Zoning Ordinance for landfill and industrial uses.

Astor Lawson, Bethlehem Landfill District Manager; Dave Pannucci Engineer for BLC, and Maryanne Garber outside Legal Counsel for Bethlehem Landfill were present.

Mr. Lawson introduced himself as the District Manager for the BL. He's been with Solid Waste for 14 years and BLC since 2019. Mr. Pannucci said he's been with the site since 2018 and the Solid Waste Industry for 10 years. Mr. Lawson said the request for zoning map and text amendment is the first step towards an expansion for BLC. Given history for some of the folks that don't know, BLC is located in Lower Saucon, Northampton County, and originally opened in 1941, so it's been in the area for quite a long time. It was originally owned by the City of Bethlehem and it became under private ownership in 1998 and has gone through various acquisitions where it ended up with Waste Connections, which is the company that they are currently with in 2016 through a merger with Progressive Waste Solutions. BLC has been expanded over time all within a 206-acre consolidated lot and 201-acre DEP permit boundary in the Light Industrial (LI) zoning district where landfills are permitted and special exception use.

Ms. Garber said the first major expansion, after it became under private ownership, was Phase IV. You can see that in the red. Mr. Lawson said as we get to Phase IV, then next they built the MSE wall for Cell 4E, went to the west and did a grading adjustment on the top, then they have the Southeastern Realignment which they are currently filling right now. All that leads to the Northern Realignment (NR) which was approved by LST in 2020 and they are currently going through the process with PA DEP through a technical review. They are hoping they get that approval by the end

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of the year. Including the NR, currently pending, the landfill has approximately six years of remaining life.

Mr. Pannucci said he'll walk through future plans. The map in the green hatched area shows properties that they recently acquired. There are six parcels in that area. Four of them the Bethlehem Landfill own, and there are two parcels owned by one individual up along Riverside Drive, but they are basically locked out at the top. They have a letter of support they submitted with the application and are currently in discussions with purchasing that property. That area is where they are looking for... Mr. Banonis asked if that is the letter they have from Christine and Dennis Hahn. Mr. Pannucci said that is correct. This process in their experience takes several years with both LST and PA DEP. The first step of that is the map and text amendments which they are here for tonight to discuss. As it sits right now, you'll see in the light green, the Light Industrial (LI) area which the landfill currently sits. The properties that he just mentioned that they acquired are in the Rural Agricultural (RA) district to the northeast and east of their current landfill. The proposal would be to change that RA district to LI. You can see in the hatched area that the proposed areas and the acreages associated with those areas. To the west, there's a small portion that they are looking to rezone of the Fox property that really would be just to button that area up. Right now, they would have to do a significant amount of waste relocation in that area as it sits right now so that would be to finish grading over there and actually avoid that waste relocation project. The expansion would really just be in the areas to the east and northeast of the current landfill. He showed what it would essentially look like if the amendments and zoning were adopted. You can see the change that is proposed in the light green, and the conceptual disposal footprint where you will see the purple area is the NR, the footprint that Astor mentioned is currently sitting with PA DEP in technical review. The orange is the proposed expansion that would require the rezoning in those parcels, which is a conceptual outline of what they are looking at right now. It's very high level and the first step of the process that they need to get through for it to be a reality. They are not proposing to go any higher than 725' which would be the height as they currently sit. It would carry as their current landfill does. As they go through the process, they will have renderings that show what that will look like from different points around the community. They are also proposing some conservation easements between that footprint and Riverside Drive as well as to the west of their property as they work through this process with LST. Mr. Banonis asked when he mentioned the west, he means toward Steel City, correct? Mr. Pannucci said correct, over towards Skyline Drive.

Mr. Inglis asked did they address that gentleman's concern he had earlier? Mr. Pannucci said he thinks so. Mr. Inglis said the heights and going along the road. Mr. Pannucci said as far as how that looks, those buffers and those easements look, they are still working through that process.

Mrs. Yerger said just to verify, what you are showing is the proposed expansion area, but the areas that are not in that expansion area, you will use as buffers? Mr. Pannucci said more or less. This is very high level conceptual. Mrs. Yerger said you aren't planning on going up to the river, you are not planning on... Mr. Pannucci said correct. Ms. Garber added that the orange line is the conceptual disposal area, but yes, largely the swath that runs adjacent to Riverside Drive would be put into a conservation easement. Mrs. Yerger said one of the things that was on her mind recently, it was on the news that the Lehigh River is ranked as the 9<sup>th</sup> worst river in the State of PA for pollution and contamination. She just wants to make sure as best as we can, that we aren't going to add to that because it's already #9. Mr. Banonis said to that point, the article he read the thinks the reason it was No. 9, there was some miscalculations by the cement quarry up river somewhere. Mr. Pannucci said any storm water that hits their footprint needs to be captured and conveyed to basins and handled in that fashion as it currently is. He thinks that will be a non-issue.

Ms. deLeon said the point to be made is tonight Sandy is they aren't going to be much closer to the river but we don't know what's in store later on because right now that red dotted line is right in the middle of the Reddington Historic District, what is going to happen to that. How are you going to avoid that? Ms. deLeon said she would like her question answered. Mr. Banonis said they cannot hear her. Someone said she is cutting out. Ms. deLeon said she said that where the red dots are below



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Bull Run, that area, is the Reddington Historic District and is eligible for listing on the National Register. Don't you have to do Form D's and show different things like that? How are you going to do that?

Mr. Banonis said because it's eligible or is it on the National Historic Register. Ms. deLeon said it's eligible, but it's not. Mr. Carocci said so is your house. Ms. deLeon said it was eligible when they were doing Route 33 and 78, and they had to do studies of the area and that's when they discovered the Reddington Proving Grounds. It's on our website, you can look what Reddington means.

Mr. Banonis said they still don't understand her question, what is it? Ms. deLeon said she asked them regarding the historic district...Mr. Banonis said they can't hear her. They are having trouble hearing you, are you on a cell phone with a bad coverage? Ms. deLeon said her question is that she didn't think you could put landfills in historic areas, so how are they drawing lines to depict their expansion when she knows for a fact that the site is eligible for listing on the National Register. Mr. Carocci said it's eligible, but it's not on the register. Mr. Banonis said they already said that the lines there are high level conceptual design and that this isn't finalized. All they are here for is the zoning map and text amendment.

Ms. Garber said that's correct. Those kinds of issues and a lot of other things are part of the DEP permitting process. Ms. deLeon said I do know that Maryanne, and she knows she knows that. Keep going. Mr. Banonis said are you done. Ms. deLeon said for now.

Ms. Garber said in addition to the map amendments, they are also requesting two text amendments. The first is a natural resource mitigation alternative. Essentially what that does it provides an alternative to, well it would for the landfill, but any industrial development in an industrial district, and if they want to exceed the maximum buildable footprint on that property in light of some natural resource protection standard calculations under the ordinance, that it gives that developer the opportunity to exceed that buildable footprint by offering up the same amount of acreage of that exceedance in a dedication of open space elsewhere in the Township with the review and approval of Township Council and/or a fee in lieu of dedication to account for that exceedance of the footprint.

Ms. Garber said the second text amendment that they are requesting is an exemption from the site approval process. One of the people who commented earlier was concerned that might mean there are less eyes on the project. That's not the case here because with the exemption they are requesting, it would only be applicable if the project at issue was also required to receive land development approval and a PA DEP permit. There will be many, many eyes on this project going forward. As you all know from experience, the site plan approval process resulted in a lot of redundancy and confusion and a lot of extra time and resources that they didn't think that substantively really helped in any way, so they are requesting that exemption as well. They hired a professional planner to take a look at the map amendments and the text amendments they are proposing to make sure that they made sense from a planning perspective. She has his letter report that she can hand out afterwards. The professional planner, his name is Mr. Charles Schmehl who is with Urban Research and Development Corporation right here in Bethlehem. He reviewed both the map and text amendments and you'll see he concluded that in his professional opinion, they are both based in sound land use planning and policy, and in particular, he talked about the text amendments and in his experience, those are common planning tools that he's used in other municipalities and you will see in his Curriculum Vitae (CV) he has a vast amount of experience writing zoning ordinances, counseling municipalities, so she will hand out that information when they are finished.

Ms. deLeon said Maryanne, are you familiar with the Steel City slopes on the LVPC map? Ms. Garber said she is and more importantly, their planner has reviewed the proposed amendments against both the LVPC Comprehensive Plan and the Joint Municipal Plan. In his professional opinion, this project is generally consistent, particularly given the scope, conceptually of course, but they are representing that the conceptual footprint will not be any larger than what they've shown on there. The configuration could shift a little bit and it could get smaller based on the various

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reviews they have to go through, but in his professional opinion, that this project is consistent with both of those plans.

Ms. deLeon said can you show her which parcel the Steel City slopes are on? Mr. Banonis said you are on the telephone; do you have a video conference? Ms. deLeon said the Manager sent her their PowerPoint. She's looking at No. 15 and she sees the red dots and she was just curious if it was on the parcel with the three little boxes or if it was on the next parcel for Bull Run.

Mr. Banonis said the red dots he sees run adjacent to the Lehigh River, is that what you are referring to? Ms. deLeon said no, it was in the green and purple. Mr. Banonis said the orange ones, okay. Ms. Garber said she can't answer that question. Certainly, the LVPC will be reviewing the proposed amendments along with the Township Planning Commission and their planner, who is an expert in this field, she herself is certainly not an expert in this field, but he's reviewed their proposal and you can see what his opinions are in his written letter report. Ms. deLeon said it includes his review of our Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan? Ms. Garber said yes it does and with the LVPC, the MPC Plan, and the LST-Hellertown Joint Comprehensive Plan.

Ms. deLeon said the Fox property that was referred to, that's the western boundary, that extended little area of the Fox property, that will, close that end properly? Because right now you are anticipating expanding towards the west when you did those cells. Ms. Garber said that's correct. Ms. deLeon said what's the word to describe that in your field? She's sorry she'd like to learn it. Mr. Banonis said what did you say? We can't hear you. Mr. Pannucci said what's the word...Mr. Banonis said what did you say? Ms. deLeon said she wants to know what it's called when they close the cell off to the west. Mr. Lawson said final closure. Ms. deLeon said to the west. Mr. Banonis said they answered your question. Ms. deLeon said final closure. Okay, right above that where the water tank is, if she's remembering correctly, is that correct? Mr. Pannucci said yes.

Ms. Garber said just to sum it up, the requested map and text amendments are the first step which will be a multi-step process that will be required for an expansion of the landfill. They are here tonight asking the Township to take those map amendments and text amendments through the statutory process, that is to schedule a public hearing, and possible enactment of those amendments. The other steps in this process would require amending the Host Agreement, lifting of certain restrictions on some of the properties that are proposed for the expansion. They would need a subsequent zoning approval and they had noted in their application that in the past Council has talked about changing the zoning approval for landfills and waste facilities from special exception to conditional use approval. They put that out there just to let you know they don't have any objection to that. Whatever zoning approval would be required, that's obviously another step in the process and then obviously they are going to have to get the DEP permit for this. Tonight they are asking for the first step on the map and text amendments and also they think it would be productive if you were able to start the discussions of the amendments to the Host Agreement that would be necessary for this expansion and in that regard they found it to be most efficient for them to have discussions with the Township Solicitor, and then he can communicate those conversations to the Board and that would keep that process moving.

**MOTION BY:** Mr. Banonis moved to instruct Township staff to prepare the requested zoning map and text amendments and to send the ordinance to LVPC and LST Planning Commission for review and advertise for a public hearing for potential adoption of those proposed amendments on December 7, 2022 and to follow all applicable procedure requirements.

Attorney Treadwell said just before everybody votes, two quick comments. One we need to decide if you want to leave it as a Special Exception or make it a Conditional Use because if this motion passes and he prepares the ordinance for distribution; he needs to know which one it's going to be. You can amend your motion to say it either stays a Special Exception or change it to a Conditional Use. It's up to Council, the difference being, the Special Exception goes to the ZHB, and the Conditional Use stays here at the Council level after review and you vote on it.

**MOTION BY:** Mr. Banonis moved to amend his previous motion and add to make it a Conditional Use.

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Mr. Carocci said he agrees. Attorney Treadwell said just one further thing, we should also send it to the EAC as well as part of our ordinance review. Mr. Banonis said he's fine with that.

**MOTION BY:** Mr. Banonis moved to amend his previous motion to add to it a Conditional Use and to send it to the EAC for review.

Ms. deLeon said we should have another meeting and that way let the residents see this as they may have some questions. It seems like this is a drastic change in zoning but also the expansion part. Mr. Banonis said there will be another meeting. His motion requested December 7, 2022 so there will be plenty of other meetings on this. Attorney Treadwell said it has to be a public hearing on December 7<sup>th</sup>. Ms. deLeon said by that time everything is pretty much set in stone. Mr. Carocci said nothing is set in stone. That's why we have a public hearing. Mr. Banonis said we have to have a hearing where we'll review what's presented to us and make some determinations at that point. This is just simply to instruct the staff to prepare this zoning map and tax amendments and send the ordinances to LVPC and everyone else. Mr. Carocci said if it's set in stone why would we have a public hearing? Mr. Banonis said he has his motion, is there a second?

**SECOND BY:** Mr. Carocci

**ROLL CALL:** 4-1 (Ms. deLeon – No. She said her reason for no is that she won't be part of this red carpet roll out for this landfill. Regs should be the same for all applicants whether or not they've spent money influencing an election as stated in...Mr. Banonis said be careful what you say Priscilla. Mr. Carocci said yes. Ms. deLeon stated she can say that.

**MOTION BY:** Mr. Banonis moved to instruct the Township Solicitor to work with Attorney Garber on a new Host Municipal Agreement.

**SECOND BY:** Mr. Carocci

**ROLL CALL:** 4-1 (Ms. deLeon – No)

**G. AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE THE PROPOSED 2023 BUDGET**

Mr. Banonis said the 2023 proposed budget is being presented incorporating the changes and updates requested by Council at the October 5, 2022 Budget meeting.

Mr. Carocci said what we talked about at the last meeting was adopted. Mrs. Gorman said the items you requested are highlighted. Mr. Carocci said they're in the proposed.

**MOTION BY:** Mr. Banonis moved for approval to advertise the proposed 2023 budget with the 20-day public comment period.

**SECOND BY:** Mr. Carocci

**ROLL CALL:** 4-1 (Ms. deLeon – No)

**VI. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS ITEMS**

**A. APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 21, 2022 COUNCIL MINUTES**

Mr. Banonis said the September 21, 2022 Council minutes are ready for Council's review and approval.

**MOTION BY:** Mr. Banonis moved for approval of the September 21, 2022 Council minutes.

**SECOND BY:** Mr. Inglis

**ROLL CALL:** 5-0

**B. APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 2022 FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Mr. Banonis said the September 2022 Financial reports are ready for Council's review and approval.

**MOTION BY:** Mr. Banonis moved for approval of the September 2022 Financial reports.

**SECOND BY:** Mrs. Yerger

**ROLL CALL:** 5-0

**VII. COUNCIL & STAFF REPORTS**

**A. TOWNSHIP MANAGER – MARK HUDSON**

➤ He said we have an Electronic Recycling event coming up on November 12<sup>th</sup> and it's from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. or until trucks are full. They are going to do things just slightly different. They are going to enter the facility at the lower driveway like you are going into Town Hall Park. That gives them a larger staging area for cars if they get backed up. You

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will come through the garage and they will have students and staff there to unload the electronics and stack them in the trucks and then you will exit in the upper driveway from the facility. They are hoping this helps with traffic flow and they don't back anyone up on Old Philadelphia Pike.

- The Township paving project is complete. Their line painters were out today.
- Saucon Valley Terrace, the storm sewer work has begun. They expect the paving to begin very soon.
- They did talk about the Lower Saucon Road Bridge earlier which is moving along nicely.

**B. COUNCIL/JR. COUNCIL MEMBER**

**Mrs. Yerger**

- She thanked Stacy as she's been invaluable to the EAC as far as getting volunteers for the Recycling Event and working with the students at the high school.

**Mr. Inglis** – No report.

**Mr. Carocci**

- He wanted to thank Cathy for preparing the budget and also thank Mark. It's great we have it done a little less than three weeks before Election Day. He knows it's not a municipal election but the whole goal is to have it advertised before the Election. It wasn't the standard practice in this Township for a long, long time, so it's good it's advertised before the Election as it always should be. Thank you, Cathy, for your work on it. He also wants to thank the EAC in general for the recycling event.

**Ms. deLeon**

- She asked the status of the email that has the letter in it from the Borough of Hellertown dated October 11<sup>th</sup> about the library and to resolve the issue and to restore confidence in good faith negotiations. The Borough believes the following actions must take place and the first one is that all outstanding invoices be approved and the second issue is to rescind the motion that was made at the January 19<sup>th</sup> meeting. She'd like to know when we are going to be voting on that? Mr. Carocci said there's nothing to vote on. Mr. Banonis said it's never been presented as a motion or seconded. Attorney Treadwell said he was going to bring this up under his report, but we might as well discuss it now. He said we did receive two letters since the last Council meeting, both of which were distributed by the Manager to Council. The first was a letter from the Office of Commonwealth Libraries (OCL) that approves a request from the Hellertown Area Library (HAL) to remove LST from its direct service area. He and the Manager have looked at that letter. They have tried to figure out what it means. There's no date in the letter to when such an action might be effective. The Manager sent correspondence to the OCL explaining that LST was never notified of this request and that we were not offered an opportunity to participate in the process in any way. That correspondence was sent probably ten days ago, and we do not have a response. He is currently analyzing what the next steps would be whether that involves any type of an appeal process or any type of litigation as this Council previously authorized. As soon as he has an answer to those questions, he will let Council know. The second thing that happened was after he and Mark Hudson had met with some representatives from Hellertown in an attempt to see if we could resurrect some of the joint ventures that we shared with Hellertown over the past number of years, including, but not limited to, the Compost Center. They got the letter that Ms. deLeon just read that states that Hellertown Borough Council is not interested in discussing any joint ventures with LST unless and until LST pays \$107,000.00 to the HAL that just got approval from the State to throw us out. Mr. Carocci said why would we pay money to a library that's throwing us out? Attorney Treadwell said he doesn't know. Mr. Carocci said that's very odd. Mr. Banonis said with regard to this letter from OCL, neither the Hellertown Borough or the HAL provided a copy of any application or paperwork they submitted to OCL requesting to kick LST out of their coverage area, right? Attorney Treadwell said he doesn't have any and he thinks the Township Manager would acknowledge the Township has not received any. Mr. Hudson said he hasn't received any. Attorney Treadwell said and this is despite the request the last time that the HAL sent a letter to OCL without notifying us, he sent their attorney a letter and said please, the next time you

correspond with OCL, give us a copy, and let us know because it affects us as well. Mr. Banonis said OCL never alerted you or the Township that this application request was received by HAL? Attorney Treadwell said we had no idea until we got the letter from OCL saying the request was approved. Mr. Banonis said we still never got a copy of their request or whatever it was that they submitted to OCL to kick LST out of their coverage area, right? Attorney Treadwell said correct, we did not receive anything. Mr. Banonis said OCL hasn't responded to that. Attorney Treadwell said not yet. Mr. Banonis said we haven't had any due process this entire debacle, right? Attorney Treadwell said at the moment, yes, that's his position. Mr. Banonis said why would we ever consider withdrawing litigation on this issue. Mr. Carocci said the HAL is telling the State they don't want to serve us, but the Borough is begging for \$107,000.00 for the library. He doesn't get that part. They don't want to serve us, so instead of negotiating, they went to the State. Attorney Treadwell said the timing was kind of interesting because the OCL letter that said they had approved removing us from the HAL service area came before the letter from Hellertown that said we'd like you to pay \$107,000.00 to the HAL, so it didn't make sense. Mr. Carocci said we never filed anything with the State saying we didn't want to be part of the HAL. Attorney Treadwell said no. Mr. Carocci said so they threw us out, or they are trying to throw us out. Attorney Treadwell said that's what it looks like. Mr. Banonis said let's change gears a little bit, the joint venture, the meeting you had, the purpose of that was to discuss the various arrangements we had with Hellertown Borough including the Compost Center and the pool and other things that they chose to either withdraw from or to terminate. Attorney Treadwell said yes, we discussed all the joint ventures that had been in effect in the past. The focus was mostly on the Compost Center. Mr. Banonis said their response is the only way they'll consider those things if we give them \$107,000.00 to a 501(c) that exists within the Borough borders. Attorney Treadwell said it says what it says. Mr. Carocci said it sounds like blackmail. Mr. Banonis said Priscilla, does that answer your question? Ms. deLeon said well, she knew before the meeting. Mr. Banonis said you already knew, but you asked the question anyway. Ms. deLeon said no, she knew some of the stuff you said, but not all of it. She's not involved with your day-to-day like Linc is, that is why she wanted a status update. Mr. Banonis asked Ms. deLeon if she had anything else for her Council report? Ms. deLeon said no.

- Mr. Carocci said he wanted to make sure the Township is working on the plan to reimburse residents for a library card no matter where they get it, the \$20.00 for an individual, \$40.00 for a family for what the Bucks County Library's offer and Lehigh-Carbon County Library system's offer and the Bethlehem has a plan too, our residents can use whatever library they want. His wife and children don't use the HAL, there's not enough resources there, and they use the Bethlehem. It is a better library, a better program and have used SLPL in the past. As long as our residents have that choice going forward.
- Mr. Inglis said what can our residents do now as someone asked him the other day?
- Attorney Treadwell said he honestly doesn't know the answer to that question as it's not in the letter. The OCL hasn't responded to us so that's what we're working on and whether that's some type of an appeal process that is an administrative type of appeal, whether it's some type of litigation, a Commonwealth Court case, that all needs to be determined and figured out, but at the moment that OCL letter says we approved Hellertown's request, but we don't know what Hellertown's request was. It could have been immediately ceasing service to LST residents, it could have been ceasing services to LST residents at the end of the calendar year, it could have been at the end of the next fiscal year, we don't know.
- Mr. Carocci said he doesn't know what it was, but it doesn't appear to be immediately. He knows people who have been to the library and have been to Bethlehem Library and take out books and use the services and programs without any problems. He doesn't think it's immediately, and if it is, it hasn't been communicated to the libraries and if it has, the libraries haven't been enforcing it. He knows LST residents that have accessed the libraries since those letters were sent to Council.
- Mr. Banonis said it needs to be emphasized here. We had given over \$50,000.00 in Township taxpayer dollars to the HAL and they also received from the State over \$30,000.00

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based on LST's population. Mr. Carocci said they rejected the \$50,000.00. Mr. Banonis said he understands that, but we gave them a check and they rejected it and they gave it back to us. Mr. Carocci said we've given them over \$1 million over the past eight years.

**Mr. Banonis**

- He said we have some letters from some organizations that actually appreciate LST, and actually appreciate the money that we give them. We have a letter from New Bethany Ministries that he will share from October 17, 2022 which was issued to Cathy Gorman, Finance Director/Assistant Manager. He read the letter (*see attached letter from New Bethany Ministries*). He said it was very kind of them to send a letter and this is something we supported for a number of years.
- He also read a letter dated October 6, 2022 to LST from The Miracle League of Lehigh County regarding donations (*see attached letter from The Miracle League of Lehigh County*). He said that was kind of them. They are both very worthy organizations that deserve support as they do great things for the community.
- He'd like to pass along that Lee Weidner had passed away on October 2, 2022 at the age of 77. For those who may not recall who he is, upon retiring from teaching, he became a local historian of SV. He wrote several books about the history of SV which includes "Saucon Secrets" Volumes 1 and 2 which you can probably find them on Amazon; as well as "Images of Lower Saucon Township and Images of America Saucon Valley" and also this (holding up a book) which may be available at Barnes and Noble at the Promenade. He certainly was a valuable member of the community, and he did a lot to record our history, which is important. He will be missed because he's an active member of our community and the Saucon Valley community. Our condolences to his family and many thanks to him and his family for all he did for the community.
- He has a few reports he wants to share. This came up a few meetings ago about landfill inspections. We have several reports, one is from September 30, 2022 from HEA which pertains to an inspection and we also have another one dated October 13, 2022 from HEA which is specifically in regard to the BLC and notably there are no issues that are identified in this report, so we thank HEA for the work they are doing and also to the landfill for the quality services they are providing. We also have the DEP inspection report of municipal waste landfill, received by us on October 12, 2022 and notably there are no areas noted for being out of compliance. In addition to that, there were no notable odor complaints that were observed during that inspection. That is his report on behalf of the Landfill Committee.

C. **SOLICITOR** – No report

D. **ENGINEER** – No report

**VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT - NON-AGENDA ITEMS – RESIDENTS/TAXPAYERS ONLY – 3-MINUTE TIME LIMIT**

- Joan Antonioni, 3610 Drifting Drive said this is her first meeting. The first proposal for you tonight would be to fix your audio system. If we can't afford a library, please get a new audio system. It was a waste of time. We don't know what we are voting for, what you are talking about, her suggestion. She heard too many times that she should not bother going to the LST Council meetings because Council members will not recognize or answer any resident concerns. You've met her expectations this evening; however, you have taken away her LST PA Access even though many poster signs are asking you to fund the HAL. To fund the library, we will all get Access PA. She does not want to get her books anymore from the makeshift libraries along the trail. She wants a library. She's not sure if you'll listen to this. You may be taking away the Compost Center in 2023, which enables our residents to maintain pride in their properties. Why can't LST get along with Hellertown. It's a well-organized event, she's there every Friday morning, and it is well organized. Wake up and accept that it's a good operation. She sees individuals who are patting their accolades with their number of years serving on the LST Council. LST residents will and beyond, remember each of you for your legacy of the path of destruction.
- Laura Ray, 3357 Lower Saucon Road said she is on the list like she did at the last meeting. Mr. Banonis said he believes she spoke at the last meeting too. Ms. Ray said not on non-agenda

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items, you adjourned and didn't let her speak. Mr. Banonis said he thinks the record reflects what occurred but go ahead. Ms. Ray said go check the record, she knows she didn't speak, you adjourned the meeting and didn't let her speak. It's recorded. She's going to point out how poorly it reflects on our Township yet again that our taxpayer dollars are being used as a dangling carrot to try to manipulate the actions of others, specifically Hellertown Borough. It's pathetic and she's talking specifically about the donations to the Dewey Ambulance to pay for their two items on their wish list that they had, the life pack and some video equipment for \$12,105.00 and \$13,086.00. That's great, but you put the caveat we would only make that donation only if Hellertown Borough will cover \$15,892.00 for window replacements. Either we want to cover the expenses or we don't want to cover the expenses for that equipment. Dewey shouldn't be put in the middle of an ongoing grudge match that you have perpetuating over and over. It's pathetic, it's sickening and she's tired of it. You're disgusting. Not only with the audio, we sit here and we really can't hear half of you because you don't speak into your microphones, and I think that's on purpose. The only person we can hear is Linc consistently and the Manager is pretty good on his microphone too, otherwise you avoid them, so we can't hear you. The lighting is very bad so when the slide was up there from the landfill, it was hard to see so maybe we could do something to fix that. She had more comments about the budget and getting those numbers into a spreadsheet. When she heard the comments last time about how difficult that would be which it wouldn't. Usually on a numbers program you can click a button and export it to Excel. Emailing a spreadsheet to a person does not open up your database to the person receiving it. There's not anything that she would do to that spreadsheet that would affect the database at the Township. She's wondering about any Cyber security that goes on here, she doesn't know if there's any training or any awareness, but if that's your perception, you really don't understand Cyber security.

- Dave Boulin, 2023 Alice Drive said he sees a lot of signs, and it is that time of year with elections but he isn't addressing those. He is thinking more about the signs like "We Can Clean Your House" and "We Can Remove Termites" and on and on. What is our philosophy about having these signs expanding through our pole hanging kinds of conditions in the Township? Do we need ordinances to hang those kinds of signs, can people put signs anywhere they want? He's not talking about election signs. He would like to see them vanish. We have a beautiful Township and the more garbage he sees hanging on poles, he finds that to be not helpful. He has a solution as someone once said if you have a problem, make sure you bring a solution. He thinks the solution is that there are ordinances for signs of given sizes, but he's not sure of telephone pole kinds of signs or others that people just stick in the ground because they don't like something. He would encourage the Council to see if we have a current ordinance that deals with that. Mr. Carocci asked Mr. Treadwell if he know we had one. Attorney Treadwell said we have a bunch of sign regulations but doesn't know if we have one that regulates PPL poles. Some may be in our Right of Way, but not all are, so it could be a PPL pole on private property, but he and Mark will take a look at it and see if there is something else they can do. Mr. Carocci said thank you. Mr. Boulin thanked them for being responsive, he appreciates it.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION BY:** Mr. Carocci moved for adjournment. The time was 8:00 p.m.

**SECOND BY:** Mr. Banonis

**ROLL CALL:** 5-0

Submitted by:

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Mark Hudson  
Township Manager

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Jason Banonis  
Council President