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THE TOBYHANNA TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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In Re: Regular Business Meeting

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Tobyhanna Township Government Center Building  
105 Government Center Way  
Pocono Pines, Pennsylvania 18350  
Monday, June 13, 2016, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

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PRESENT: ANNE LAMBERTON, Chairperson  
DONALD MOYER, Vice-Chairperson  
JOHN J. HOLAHAN, III, Board Member  
JOHN E. KERRICK, Board Member  
HEIDI A. PICKARD, Board Member

JONATHAN REISS, ESQUIRE, Solicitor

ALSO PRESENT: PHYLLIS HAASE, Township Manager  
ROBERT J. McHALE, Township Engineer

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1 MS. LAMBERTON: Thank you all  
2 for coming to attend our meeting. I would like to  
3 call the board of supervisors regular business  
4 meeting of June 13, 2016 to order. We'll start  
5 with the pledge of allegiance, please.

6 (Pledge of allegiance was  
7 recited.)

8 MS. LAMBERTON: If we could all  
9 just take a moment and have a moment of silence for  
10 all the victims in Orlando.

11 (Moment of silence observed.)

12 MS. LAMBERTON: Thank you.  
13 We will start with  
14 announcements.

15 MS. HAASE: Yes, ma'am, a few  
16 announcements. Congressman Cartwright will be  
17 holding a town hall meeting, Tobyhanna Township, on  
18 June 20, at 6:30. And also Community Day will be

19 held on July 9, from 2 p.m. till dusk.

20 MS. LAMBERTON: Is that all?

21 MS. HAASE: Yes, ma'am.

22 MS. LAMBERTON: Thank you.

23 I'll entertain a motion to  
24 consider the minutes of the April 4, 2016 work  
25 session.

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1 MS. HAASE: I have a few  
2 corrections.

3 MS. LAMBERTON: Okay.

4 MS. HAASE: Page 23, Line 23,  
5 Cathy's should be Palffys, P-a-l-f-f-y-s; Page 160,  
6 Line 16, Max, should be M-a-s -- I'm sorry, M-a-c;  
7 Page 164, Line 16 are, should be o-u-r; Page 165,  
8 Line 1, seven, should be 537; Page 193, Line 23,  
9 Rob should be Rodney.

10 MS. PICKARD: Should be what?

11 MS. HAASE: Rodney.

12 And I have corrections for the  
13 9th as well. Are you doing that together or  
14 separate?

15 MS. LAMBERTON: You know, is the

16 --

17 MR. HOLAHAN: Please, let's do  
18 them all together.

19 MS. LAMBERTON: We'll do them  
20 all together, if that -- if that pleases the board.

21 MS. HAASE: May 9. Page 11,  
22 Line 10, billings should be millings,  
23 m-i-l-l-i-n-g-s; Page 12, Line 25, should be  
24 r-e-s-i-d-e-n-t-s; Page 22, Line 5, hold should be  
25 old; and Page 40, Line 1 should be

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1 r-e-s-i-d-e-n-t-s.

2 MS. LAMBERTON: Is that all?

3 MS. HAASE: Yes, ma'am.

4 MS. LAMBERTON: Very good.

5 I'll entertain a motion to  
6 accept the minutes of the April 4, 2016 work  
7 session with corrections; April 11, 2016 regular  
8 business meeting; April 29, 2016 special meeting;  
9 May 2, 2016 work session; and the May 9, 2016  
10 regular business meeting with corrections.

11 MR. HOLAHAN: So moved.

12 MS. PICKARD: Second.  
13 MS. LAMBERTON: I have a motion  
14 and second.  
15 Any questions or comments from  
16 the board?  
17 Any questions or comments from  
18 the public?  
19 Seeing none. Call the vote.  
20 John?  
21 MR. KERRICK: In favor.  
22 MS. LAMBERTON: Heidi?  
23 MS. PICKARD: I vote in favor.  
24 MS. LAMBERTON: John?  
25 MR. HOLAHAN: Yes.

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1 MS. LAMBERTON: Donny?  
2 MR. MOYER: In favor.  
3 MS. LAMBERTON: I vote in favor.  
4 Motion carries.  
5 I'll entertain a motion to  
6 consider the treasurer's report in the amount of  
7 \$425,386.76.  
8 MS. PICKARD: I'll make that

9 motion.

10 MR. HOLAHAN: I'll second.

11 MS. LAMBERTON: I have a motion  
12 and a second.

13 Any questions or comments from  
14 the board?

15 MS. PICKARD: I have a couple  
16 comments.

17 MS. LAMBERTON: Sure.

18 MS. PICKARD: I just wanted to  
19 note that we did make a -- we were making a  
20 transfer of \$210,000 into the ESSA Sinking Fund due  
21 to the change, the drop in interest rate from  
22 Landmark. So we were -- instead of transferring 30  
23 every month, we moved that over, so I just wanted  
24 to note that. And also as we had discussed, we had  
25 that money in there to reimburse from the capital

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1 for the -- the device, the iPad devices for the  
2 board.

3 MS. LAMBERTON: Very good.

4 Thank you.

5 Any other comments from the  
6 board?

7 Yes, sir?

8 MR. ARAM CALFAYAN: Is that  
9 cash on hand?

10 THE REPORTER: Your name, sir?

11 MS. LAMBERTON: If you could  
12 just state your name, please, for the record.

13 MR. ARAM CALFAYAN: Oh, I'm  
14 sorry. Aram Calfayan in Arrowhead Lakes.

15 Is that cash on hand you're  
16 referring to 425,000?

17 MS. PICKARD: No, that was the  
18 bills to be paid.

19 MS. LAMBERTON: That's the  
20 monthly.

21 MR. ARAM CALFAYAN: Bills that  
22 were paid?

23 MS. LAMBERTON: Umm-hmm.

24 MR. ARAM CALFAYAN: Okay.

25 MS. PICKARD: And being paid.

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1 MR. ARAM CALFAYAN: 'Cause I --

2 I see further on you gotta disburse about four  
3 hundred and thirty or forty thousand dollars.

4 MS. PICKARD: That's what the  
5 motion is for, is to pay the bills.

6 MS. LAMBERTON: Any other  
7 questions or comments from the public?

8 Seeing none. Call the vote.  
9 John?

10 MR. KERRICK: I'll abstain. I  
11 have a conflict.

12 MS. LAMBERTON: Heidi?

13 MS. PICKARD: I vote in favor.

14 MS. LAMBERTON: John?

15 MR. HOLAHAN: Yes.

16 MS. LAMBERTON: Donny?

17 MR. MOYER: I'll vote in favor.

18 MS. LAMBERTON: I'll abstain.

19 I have a conflict. The company I work for is  
20 receiving a check in the bill pack.

21 Motion carries.

22 MS. PICKARD: I had one other  
23 thing, Anne, I just wanted to mention.

24 MS. LAMBERTON: Sure.

25 MS. PICKARD: In your financial

1 packet, I did put an account, our check refund  
2 account, is gone way over and I just wanted to note  
3 that we had a large disbursement of tax refunds for  
4 quality asset management in Pine Crest that had a  
5 judgment in their favor from the court.

6 MS. LAMBERTON: Very good.

7 Thank you.

8 Solicitor's report.

9 MR. REISS: I have nothing.

10 MS. LAMBERTON: Manager's  
11 report.

12 MS. HAASE: Not so lucky. I  
13 had provided the board with updates -- with the  
14 updates. Were there any questions or concerns that  
15 I need to look into?

16 MS. LAMBERTON: I have none.

17 Any questions or comments on  
18 Phyllis' weekly reports?

19 MR. HOLAHAN: No, I'm good.

20 MS. PICKARD: No, I'm good.

21 MS. HAASE: I do have a few  
22 other items. The -- as I informed the board on my

23 May 20 report, it appears that our grant that was  
24 submitted to MCCD will be awarded on June 17 for  
25 the dirt and gravel. So I'm just going to need the

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1 board to authorize a member of the board or the  
2 chair to sign the grant once it's been approved by  
3 MCCD.

4 MS. LAMBERTON: Do we need to do  
5 that in the form of a motion?

6 MR. REISS: Yes.

7 MR. HOLAHAN: I'll make a  
8 motion that we authorize the chair to sign that  
9 grant agreement.

10 MS. PICKARD: I'll second that.

11 MS. LAMBERTON: I have a motion  
12 and a second.

13 Any questions or comments from  
14 the board?

15 MR. KERRICK: I have a question.  
16 That's the dirt and gravel grant?

17 MS. LAMBERTON: Yes.

18 MR. KERRICK: We have to match  
19 that?

20 MS. HAASE: It is a in-kind.

21 MR. KERRICK: In-kind? So what  
22 is the grant for total?

23 MS. HAASE: The total project  
24 is 47,615; the grant is 22,472. So in-kind with  
25 our labor and our machinery, we're looking at

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1 twenty-five one four three.

2 MS. LAMBERTON: What was the  
3 name of that road that's --

4 MS. HAASE: Gordon Lane.

5 MS. LAMBERTON: Gordon Lane.

6 Any other questions or comments  
7 from the board?

8 Seeing none.

9 Questions or comments from the  
10 public?

11 Seeing none. Call the vote.

12 John?

13 MR. KERRICK: In favor.

14 MS. LAMBERTON: Heidi?

15 MS. PICKARD: I vote in favor.

16 MS. LAMBERTON: John?  
17 MR. HOLAHAN: Yes.  
18 MS. LAMBERTON: Donny?  
19 MR. MOYER: I'll vote in favor.  
20 MS. LAMBERTON: I vote in  
21 favor. Motion carries.  
22 MS. HAASE: A few months ago we  
23 had spoken about revising the 537 and there was  
24 going to be some further discussion with a possible  
25 landowner in Kidder Township may be interested in

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1 connecting to our sewer plant. That's been taken  
2 off the table now, so would the board like the  
3 staff to move forward with putting the RFP together  
4 for the 537 or would you like us to still wait on  
5 that?  
6 MS. LAMBERTON: I think --  
7 weren't we waiting for the -- Ann Hutchinson with  
8 stormwater and --  
9 MS. HAASE: Yes. But we still  
10 have some work to do up to that point, did you want  
11 us just to hold off?  
12 MS. LAMBERTON: I don't -- how

13 does the board feel about just waiting until we're  
14 -- we're looking at some information for an RFP to  
15 do the stormwater as a comprehensive plan.

16 MR. HOLAHAN: So how long would  
17 that -- will we be waiting?

18 MS. LAMBERTON: I think --

19 MS. HAASE: To be honest with  
20 you, John, I don't know. We're still kind of in  
21 the early stages with the committee. The grant  
22 that the board agreed upon, we must complete the  
23 overlay by February of 2017.

24 MR. HOLAHAN: Okay.

25 MS. HAASE: So we're about

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1 halfway to that point.

2 MS. PICKARD: And we do have  
3 money that was in, I believe, the contingency  
4 reserve --

5 MS. HAASE: Yes.

6 MS. PICKARD: -- for this  
7 project?

8 MR. HOLAHAN: Then we should --

9 then we should move forward with this.

10 MS. PICKARD: That's what I was  
11 going to say.

12 MS. LAMBERTON: Is that the  
13 pleasure of the board?

14 MS. PICKARD: Yeah. I'll make  
15 a motion that we move forward with the (inaudible).

16 MR. HOLAHAN: I'll second.

17 MS. LAMBERTON: I have a motion  
18 and a second.

19 Any questions or comments from  
20 the board?

21 Any questions or comments from  
22 the public?

23 Seeing none. Call the vote.  
24 John?

25 MR. KERRICK: In favor.

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1 MS. LAMBERTON: Heidi?

2 MS. PICKARD: I vote in favor.

3 MS. LAMBERTON: John?

4 MR. HOLAHAN: Yes.

5 MS. LAMBERTON: Donny?

6 MR. MOYER: I vote in favor.

7 MS. LAMBERTON: I vote in  
8 favor. Motion carries.

9 MS. HAASE: My final item I  
10 wanted to bring forward to the board, as I  
11 mentioned in one of my reports when I was at PSATS,  
12 they had a discussion about bringing your own  
13 device to work policy. And currently our staff --  
14 all of our key players, they have cell phones, they  
15 also have either laptops or tablets; so they are  
16 using township equipment right now.

17 I've spoken to Rodney Smith. He  
18 doesn't have that much of a concern about breaching  
19 into our system the way he has is it set up with  
20 the staff. There's a few other stippling (phonetic)  
21 point -- points related to the BYOD policy. One  
22 would be, how the staff member, when they read  
23 their emails, technically if they were assigned a  
24 task to constantly look at their emails or respond  
25 to them, even if it's off hours, then they would be

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1 responsible to be paid for that. So a suggestion

2 of PSATS, that we put a policy in place to spell  
3 out the staff using their own devices on-site. I  
4 didn't know if this is something the township  
5 wanted to move forward with?

6 MS. LAMBERTON: Well, it seems  
7 like we have to have a policy for everything, so --  
8 and I'm not being sarcastic, I'm -- that's just the  
9 way it is. So I would suggest, why don't we get a  
10 few ideas of policies. Maybe you can email out a  
11 couple suggestions --

12 MS. HAASE: I'll put a draft  
13 together.

14 MS. LAMBERTON: -- and then we  
15 could all take a look at it and take some action at  
16 our next work session or meeting?

17 MS. PICKARD: Okay.

18 MS. LAMBERTON: Fair enough?

19 MS. PICKARD: Is there something  
20 that you're proposing or that's recommended? I'm  
21 thinking of, like Eddie has to look at his for the  
22 roads and stuff more outside than --

23 MS. HAASE: Well, it would be  
24 across the board for all staff members. So if it  
25 pleases the board, then I will put a draft together

1 of a policy and then it could be changed.

2 MS. LAMBERTON: Let's look at  
3 some that are already in place for a couple  
4 townships, you know, we don't have to reinvent the  
5 wheel, let's --

6 MS. HAASE: Yeah, I don't know  
7 if --

8 MS. LAMBERTON: If anybody --  
9 well --

10 MS. HAASE: I've tried --

11 MS. LAMBERTON: -- PSATS, you  
12 said --

13 MS. HAASE: Yeah, I don't  
14 know -- I didn't find a policy that they had nor  
15 did they provide one to us. I could reach out to  
16 them. They have ordinances more so than policies.  
17 They provide sample ordinances.

18 MS. LAMBERTON: I would reach  
19 out to them and see how they --

20 MS. HAASE: Okay.

21 MS. LAMBERTON: -- think it  
22 should be handled.

23 MS. PICKARD: You could

24 probably do that on the portal and just ask for  
25 people to post them to the portal on the discussion

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1 group.

2 MS. LAMBERTON: Very good.

3 Anything else, Phyllis?

4 MS. HAASE: No, ma'am.

5 MS. LAMBERTON: We will move on

6 to committee reports. Pocono Mountain Regional

7 Police Commission.

8 Donny, you want to speak to it?

9 MR. MOYER: Yeah --

10 MS. LAMBERTON: Not much really

11 happened. Everyone's received the reports via

12 email? And I know Cathy sent out the public --

13 MS. HAASE: Yes.

14 MS. LAMBERTON: -- publication.

15 MS. PICKARD: I just had one.

16 We do seem to be high in overusage, is there

17 anything in --

18 MS. LAMBERTON: They say

19 traditionally that's common for us and then we

20 level out.

21 MS. PICKARD: Okay.

22 MS. LAMBERTON: Like Tunk is  
23 very low and then they have a NASCAR race --

24 MS. PICKARD: I didn't know if  
25 there was something in particular that was driving

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1 that.

2 MS. LAMBERTON: No, no. Our  
3 stats seemed very equal with last year when they --  
4 when you look at the report.

5 Any other questions, comments?

6 Open space.

7 Heidi, or --

8 MS. PICKARD: We did have a  
9 meeting, we were out on the property. And we also  
10 did have a meeting that Bob McHale -- and he could  
11 speak to that probably better than I -- with the  
12 conservation district about looking at taking those  
13 buildings down and whether we could get through.  
14 So I think the one building we can get to --

15 MS. LAMBERTON: And we're  
16 talking Austin T. Blakeslee?

17 MS. PICKARD: Yeah --  
18 MS. LAMBERTON: Just so the --  
19 MS. HAASE: -- the Blakeslee  
20 Natural Area.  
21 MS. LAMBERTON: -- the folks  
22 know.  
23 MS. PICKARD: And there was  
24 another one that you're doing, a GP-8?  
25 MR. McHALE: We're gonna need

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1 two permits; one is GP-8, temporary road crossing  
2 to get across the wetlands. And the other would be  
3 a temporary access onto 115 from PennDOT. And  
4 we'll be submitting those within the next week or  
5 so.  
6 MS. LAMBERTON: We need permits  
7 too.  
8 Overlay committee?  
9 MS. HAASE: We did not have a  
10 meeting last month. We have a meeting tomorrow  
11 evening at five o'clock, that is a public meeting  
12 open to anyone who would like to join.

13 MS. LAMBERTON: Okay.

14 I'm sorry, anything else?

15 MS. HAASE: I just have a  
16 general comment after about reports.

17 MR. HOLAHAN: But could we --  
18 probably a fair number of people that might be here  
19 for their first time, so if we could just briefly  
20 state what that overlay committee is, so if you  
21 want to attend the -- if you want to attend the  
22 meeting, why would you feel compelled to come to  
23 this exciting meeting right after this one? Well,  
24 the next day actually.

25 What we're doing is, we're

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1 looking at the overlay for Blakeslee, what we're  
2 looking to do with the Blakeslee Corners area and  
3 how we're going to -- we don't want to continue  
4 with the strip malls and things like that, so we're  
5 trying to take a look at how we can make -- make it  
6 like a village center or something like that down  
7 the way. So with that said, maybe you would like  
8 to come in and hear what the proposal is, 'cause  
9 right now we have a woman from the Natural Lands

10 Trust that is helping us -- she's done this for  
11 other places.

12 Anybody from Doylestown or New  
13 Hope or Lahaska or some of those different areas  
14 where they kind of revitalize? Don't necessarily  
15 want to turn this into Lahaska, but we certainly  
16 would like to have a nice little village down  
17 there. So if you'd like to hear more about it --

18 What time does that meeting  
19 start?

20 MS. PICKARD: Five o'clock.

21 MR. HOLAHAN: Five? Okay.

22 Five o'clock tomorrow.

23 MS. PICKARD: Just as an aside,  
24 one of our initial things, when we talked about the  
25 Blakeslee Visioning, was to get a set of standards

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1 that we could use to replicate and tweak in other  
2 village centers like Pocono Pines and in Pocono  
3 Summit --

4 MR. HOLAHAN: Good point.

5 MS. PICKARD: -- with their own

6 different characteristics, that needed the most  
7 help.

8 MS. LAMBERTON: Anything else on  
9 the overlay? No?

10 Pocono Mountain Regional EMS.

11 MS. PICKARD: I think Denise is  
12 here in the back.

13 MS. LAMBERTON: Denise.

14 MS. DENISE DOREMUS: I'm here.

15 Hi.

16 MR. HOLAHAN: Hi, Denise.

17 MS. DENISE DOREMUS: Denise  
18 from Pocono Mountain Regional EMS.

19 The month of May we had 495  
20 calls total, which is about two percent up from  
21 last year. And then Tobyhanna, actually you guys  
22 are up almost 26 percent with 100 more calls than  
23 last year so far; 105 so far this year and 477  
24 total for the year.

25 We will be at the Community Day,

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1 I won't be there, but we will be, the Pocono  
2 Mountain Regional will be there and we'll be at the

3 National Night Out also. Thank you.

4 MS. PICKARD: And we are still,  
5 Denise, we're in our subscriptions, so --

6 MS. DENISE DOREMUS: Well, yeah  
7 --

8 MS. PICKARD: We're finished,  
9 winding down.

10 MS. DENISE DOREMUS: -- they  
11 started in June. The new -- started in June, so  
12 it's June to June.

13 MS. PICKARD: Okay. Maybe you  
14 could briefly explain that since we have so many  
15 people here.

16 MS. DENISE DOREMUS: Our  
17 subscription?

18 MS. PICKARD: Yeah.

19 MS. DENISE DOREMUS: Our  
20 subscription is \$75 a year, it covers with -- we  
21 bill your insurance. Whatever your insurance  
22 doesn't pay is written off. If it doesn't come in  
23 as if it was medically necessary, you're just  
24 charged the Medicare rate, which is between 400 and  
25 \$500.

1 Any other questions?

2 It runs from June to June and  
3 it's per -- \$75 per household, so it's for your  
4 whole family if you're in need -- you know, if you  
5 need an ambulance.

6 MS. LAMBERTON: It's worth  
7 every penny. Thank you, Denise.

8 MS. DENISE DOREMUS: You can see  
9 it on PMREMS.org.

10 MS. LAMBERTON: One more.  
11 Thornhurst Ambulance Squad,  
12 anyone --

13 MS. PICKARD: I just had one  
14 other thing --

15 MS. LAMBERTON: I'm sorry.

16 MS. PICKARD: -- that I just  
17 wanted to mention, 'cause we do use that to get a  
18 lot of equipment and we do leverage other grants.  
19 We did get two grants for two new ambulances this  
20 year. We also, Tobyhanna Township, did donate our  
21 LUCAS automatic defibrillator and we do have a  
22 grant in, to get a couple others.

23 MS. DENISE DOREMUS: We had

24 another one also --

25 MS. PICKARD: Yes.

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1 MS. DENISE DOREMUS: -- that --  
2 that paid for another one that is --

3 MS. PICKARD: Another donation.

4 MS. DENISE DOREMUS: -- in use  
5 at the -- we did receive another one.

6 MS. PICKARD: And just --

7 MS. DENISE DOREMUS: The half  
8 was by grant and half was -- from an anonymous  
9 donor and I would like to thank them.

10 MS. PICKARD: From this  
11 township as a matter of fact. And we do have two  
12 that we have applied for with the local service --  
13 Local Share Grant. And I was informed today that  
14 there was supposed to be a meeting with the  
15 governor, but he cancelled it again. So the whole  
16 LSA Grant thing is going to be delayed for another  
17 month. So contact your legislators.

18 MS. LAMBERTON: Moving on to  
19 Thornhurst Ambulance Squad.

20 Is anyone here from Thornhurst?

21                   Seeing no, we will move on.  
22                   MS. HAASE:   Uhm --  
23                   MS. LAMBERTON:  Oh, I'm sorry.  
24    You had a comment.  
25                   MS. HAASE:   I just had one thing

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1    I wanted to ask the board, if they would be opposed  
2    to.  In our current ordinance pertaining to the  
3    fire departments being to submit financials and any  
4    other reports that we request.  If it pleases the  
5    board, I'd like to request minutes from all of our  
6    supporting agencies -- 41, 33, Thornhurst and PMR  
7    EMS minutes of their meetings.  I think it would be  
8    helpful to -- to know what's going on and keep the  
9    board informed.

10                   MS. LAMBERTON:  Fair enough.

11                   MS. HAASE:    Would that be  
12    acceptable to everyone?

13                   MS. LAMBERTON:  What's the  
14    pleasure of the board?

15                   MR. HOLAHAN:    Oh, certainly.

16                   MS. PICKARD:    That's -- that's

17 fine.

18 MR. HOLAHAN: Should be  
19 interesting reading.

20 MR. KERRICK: I don't need to  
21 know, I trust them.

22 MS. LAMBERTON: General  
23 consensus is yes.

24 MS. HAASE: Thank you.

25 MS. LAMBERTON: You're very

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1 welcome.

2 Moving on to old business.

3 Proposed zoning ordinance, interstate overlay for  
4 billboards. I'm -- I'm sure that that's why the  
5 majority of everyone is here tonight. I had 300  
6 emails possibly, which is wonderful, because we  
7 want your input, we -- this is as much your town as  
8 it is ours. We all live here, we share our  
9 community and we want to -- we want to know how  
10 everyone feels about it.

11 In doing so, I had had some  
12 conversations and it was suggested to me that  
13 wouldn't it be in our benefit and everyone's

14 benefit, not for just this board to decide, but to  
15 get the input and possibly put together a committee  
16 of you folks that live in the residential and also  
17 some folks that live in the business community.  
18 Maybe -- I don't know what the board's feeling is  
19 on this, I figured we'd just throw it out there.  
20 But it was suggested to me, and I thought that does  
21 make sense -- I mean, you have your ideas of how  
22 you would like your township to look and we see  
23 what comes in the door here as to the growth of the  
24 community.

25 So maybe if we put a committee

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1 of five to seven members together and maybe receive  
2 emails this week to our township manager on who may  
3 be interested -- and reach out to folks that aren't  
4 here and let them know, you know, what -- if this  
5 is the pleasure of the board at the end of the day.  
6 And, you know, maybe in a week we pick a committee  
7 and that committee can bring some ideas that we  
8 might not have thought of, because we maybe only  
9 hear what comes in the door as far as what's being

10 developed in the area, and how residential  
11 communities would like to sustain what they  
12 currently have. It's just a thought.

13 MR. HOLAHAN: Are we --

14 MS. PICKARD: I had a --

15 MR. HOLAHAN: Are we  
16 considering a digital signage down 940 or are we --

17 MS. LAMBERTON: No, I believe  
18 that --

19 MR. HOLAHAN: -- only looking at  
20 the -- the overlay?

21 MS. LAMBERTON: We are only  
22 looking, in my mind, my intention was, at the  
23 overlay. We do not want to see digital signs up  
24 and down 940 or 115 for that matter.

25 MR. HOLAHAN: So I -- I just --

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1 Anne, I just wanted to bring that out because I  
2 don't want people thinking that no decision's  
3 getting made, we're just gonna go to committee with  
4 this and who knows what will happen from that.

5 MS. LAMBERTON: Oh, no, I don't  
6 think that's --

7 MR. HOLAHAN: So it's really not

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9 MS. LAMBERTON: -- the  
10 intention.

11 MR. HOLAHAN: -- it's really  
12 not the intent --

13 MS. LAMBERTON: No.

14 MR. HOLAHAN: -- of putting any  
15 digital signs down 940 and 115.

16 MS. LAMBERTON: No, that's not  
17 my intention. And I don't think it's the intention  
18 --

19 MR. KERRICK: Somehow that's the  
20 word that got out from the phone calls I had.

21 MS. LAMBERTON: And I understand  
22 that and you know how -- how things can get started  
23 and it might be misconstrued with information. But  
24 I know with our conversation here, digital signage  
25 has been brought up. I -- I know that in certain

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1 areas there may be a way to put it there, but as  
2 far as strewing them up and down 940 through Pocono

3 Pines out through Pocono Lake, out through  
4 Blakeslee, that's not the intent that I know we  
5 have discussed.

6 MR. HOLAHAN: So the committee  
7 that we'd be putting together --

8 MS. LAMBERTON: So I hope that's  
9 --

10 MR. HOLAHAN: -- is just to  
11 discuss --

12 MS. LAMBERTON: Well, you know,  
13 the whole sign ordinance.

14 MR. HOLAHAN: Well, I'm  
15 certainly okay with that, 'cause I -- I know that I  
16 got -- I got a couple emails myself. And I think  
17 people were concerned not just with the digital  
18 signs, but that the condition of signs, the static  
19 signs that are already on our roadside as well.  
20 And -- and maybe even the -- the illegal ones that  
21 we know that are out there, they're just kind of  
22 stuck on roadsides and things like that, so I --

23 MS. LAMBERTON: And it seems --

24 MR. HOLAHAN: I imagine we  
25 might get some excitement if we wanted some people

1 to join that.

2 MS. LAMBERTON: Well, I think  
3 this whole sign ordinance needs to be revamped  
4 because look what we have out there, go up and down  
5 940. In my personal opinion, and I can't dictate  
6 taste, but I think that we need to have a way to  
7 clean up what's fallen down and broken down. I  
8 think that that is not attractive to our community.  
9 And I think that if we establish something that  
10 pleases both the residential and the business  
11 community, then we have a sign ordinance we can  
12 use.

13 Yes? I'm sorry.

14 MR. GEORGE CANARDI: George  
15 Canardi.

16 It seems to me, shouldn't you be  
17 putting something together from what your  
18 expectations are from a committee before you charge  
19 a committee of residents? You know, we saw that  
20 happen in Coolbaugh with Pocono Mountain Regional  
21 Police and go nowhere. I mean, is the expertise in  
22 terms of the existing ordinance and everything  
23 knowledgeable to members? Are you suggesting that  
24 this be a combined committee with supervisors or

25 just residents and business.

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1 MS. LAMBERTON: My thought on  
2 this, and this is just myself speaking, I would  
3 like to see you work with our zoning officer and  
4 possibly a person from the planning commission, who  
5 is very instrumental in putting an ordinance  
6 together prior to it coming to the board of  
7 supervisors. So they could speak to the language  
8 and then maybe that would help assist the folks  
9 that aren't as familiar.

10 MR. GEORGE CANARDI: Thank you.

11 MS. LAMBERTON: Yes?

12 MR. MIKE CHRISTIAN: Yes, good  
13 evening. Mike Christian.

14 The ordinance that was gonna be  
15 discussed was interstate overlay for billboards.  
16 Would that part of the remit of this committee, to  
17 look at billboards and whether they be digital?  
18 And is it the intention of the supervisors to have  
19 digital billboards?

20 MS. LAMBERTON: To me, I think

21 it should all be a complete sign ordinance. I  
22 don't think we should kick the can down the road, I  
23 think we should do once and done. And if you have  
24 a committee of both residential and business, I  
25 think you should be able to come to some sort of

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1 educated decisions.

2 MR. MIKE CHRISTIAN: Thank you.

3 MS. LAMBERTON: You're very  
4 welcome.

5 Yes, Dan?

6 MR. DAN DOUGHERTY: Dan  
7 Dougherty, Locust Lake Village.

8 For my own educ -- education,  
9 'cause I'm getting a little confused, when you say  
10 overlay, are you talking about Kalahari area.

11 MS. LAMBERTON: Well, actually  
12 we had --

13 MR. DAN DOUGHERTY: -- because  
14 you called that -- you called the Blakeslee thing  
15 --

16 MS. LAMBERTON: Yes.

17 MR. DAN DOUGHERTY: So now I'm

18 confused what overlay we're talking.

19 MS. LAMBERTON: You're right.

20 There are two different types of overlay areas. We  
21 had asked our zoning officer to put together two --  
22 I don't even know how to explain -- maps of the  
23 parcels that are along the 380/940 intersection and  
24 also for the Route 80/115 section. So we were to  
25 determine any type of digital, I'll say, or other

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1 type of off-premise type of advertising, that is  
2 the only two areas that we would even think of  
3 wanting to put that type of signage in.

4 MR. DAN DOUGHERTY: Is that --  
5 are those -- are those maps available anywhere for  
6 anybody to look at? I mean, I tried to look -- I  
7 tried -- I'll be honest, I went -- I tried to  
8 Google today to get --

9 MS. LAMBERTON: I don't -- I  
10 don't know that it's -- you know what we could do  
11 --

12 MR. DAN DOUGHERTY: I tried to  
13 get more information before I came today, so I

14 would know what you were talking about.

15 MS. LAMBERTON: I appreciate  
16 that.

17 MS. PICKARD: Can we go over  
18 this --

19 MS. LAMBERTON: Maybe we could  
20 have --

21 MS. PICKARD: -- a little bit,  
22 please?

23 MS. LAMBERTON: Absolutely.  
24 Maybe could have Bob or Maureen  
25 put this on our web page.

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1 MR. DAN DOUGHERTY: That'd be  
2 great.

3 MS. LAMBERTON: And then that  
4 way everyone has access to it and you know what  
5 areas we're speaking to.

6 Fair enough?

7 MR. DAN DOUGHERTY: The only  
8 thing I found was something from 2013, you talked  
9 about digital signs, that's the last thing I could  
10 find.

11 MS. LAMBERTON: That I think  
12 maybe we could do that in the morning and then  
13 folks could have --

14 MS. HAASE: I'll send that over  
15 to Linda tomorrow.

16 MS. LAMBERTON: I'm sorry --

17 MR. DAN DOUGHERTY: Does your  
18 committee have to be a township resident?

19 MS. PICKARD: Yes.

20 MS. LAMBERTON: Personally I  
21 think they should be.

22 MR. DAN DOUGHERTY: Okay.  
23 Sorry.

24 MS. HAASE: Just to be clear,  
25 though, they will be open meetings, so anyone could

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1 attend.

2 MS. LAMBERTON: Well, you know,  
3 that's a very good point because some of our  
4 business owners might not live in the area. And  
5 I'm looking at you thinking you are a manager --  
6 general manager of a large community, so --

7 MR. DAN DOUGHERTY: Also have a  
8 (inaudible) for signage.

9 MS. LAMBERTON: So I'd say maybe  
10 we need to discuss that and see if people other  
11 than -- I mean, if they have an interest within the  
12 community, if they are a business owner or maybe a  
13 community manager. I'm just throwing this out  
14 there so we could all talk open and get your  
15 feedback.

16 MR. HOLAHAN: And Bud's --

17 MS. LAMBERTON: Oh, I'm sorry.  
18 I'm sorry, Bud?

19 MR. BUD COOK: Hi.

20 MS. LAMBERTON: How are you?

21 MR. BUD COOK: Okay.

22 Bud Cook, Wagner Forest.

23 Is there an ordinance proposed?

24 Is there something on the table already?

25 MS. LAMBERTON: As far as

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1 digital?

2 MR. BUD COOK: As far as --

3 MS. LAMBERTON: Any type of

4 updated signage?

5 MR. BUD COOK: -- any amendment  
6 to the sign ordinance.

7 MS. LAMBERTON: Well, I know  
8 the planning commission had worked on a sign  
9 ordinance and that's as far as it went, it never  
10 went any further.

11 MS. PICKARD: It didn't have  
12 digital or electronic signs in it.

13 MR. BUD COOK: So there's  
14 nothing --

15 MS. LAMBERTON: So the answer  
16 is, it is not complete.

17 MR. BUD COOK: -- before the  
18 supervisors?

19 MS. LAMBERTON: Excuse me. No.  
20 No, not at this time, no. And this isn't something  
21 we're going to decide on anytime soon. We want to  
22 make sure that it's done correctly for the future,  
23 'cause we -- I -- I -- the general consensus of the  
24 emails were basically we have to look maybe to the  
25 future of the community and what do we want it to

1 look like. And I agree with the majority that I do  
2 not want it to look like the strip from 611 from  
3 Mount Pocono to Stroudsburg, that's not what I  
4 would like either. And I don't think the board  
5 wants that.

6 MR. HOLAHAN: Oh, the message I  
7 got from the emails was, hell, no.

8 MS. PICKARD: Can we just go  
9 over this, Bob, because I -- I did have some  
10 comments when we talked about this that are --

11 MS. LAMBERTON: Let's just take  
12 her question, please.

13 Go ahead, ma'am?

14 MS. SHEILA CALFAYAN: What are  
15 you doing about the distress --

16 Oh, Sheila Calfayan, Arrowhead  
17 Lake.

18 What are you doing about the  
19 distressed signs that are already on 940 that are  
20 falling down and should be taken down?

21 MR. HOLAHAN: Nothing at this  
22 point, that's what we need to address, Sheila.

23 MS. PICKARD: But we do --

24 MS. SHEILA CALFAYAN: There's

25 nothing in place to --

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1 MS. PICKARD: -- already have a  
2 maintenance --

3 MR. HOLAHAN: Yep. We've got a  
4 -- we've got a maintenance ordinance, and probably  
5 that's one of the things we have to take a look at  
6 is enforcing -- actually enforcing our ordinances,  
7 so -- yeah, we got something that addresses that.  
8 I think we need to get a little bit stronger on how  
9 we're doing some things as well, so -- but good  
10 point.

11 So we're not really talking  
12 about -- we're talking about the possibility of --  
13 you have to take a look at or listen to about this  
14 overlay that we're speaking of. The overlay that  
15 we're speaking of is allowing -- perhaps allowing  
16 off-premise digital signs or billboards in two  
17 particular areas; 115 and 80 and 940 and 380. And  
18 the discussion is, do we allow those? And if we  
19 do, how far out are we gonna allow them to  
20 promulgate -- no -- be located. So that's actually  
21 what we're going to be --

22                               So the discussion about digital  
23 signs, electronic signs is not over, it's just  
24 we're not looking to go in between those areas. So  
25 now, do you want coming into -- and this is what

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1       has to be decided -- coming into the township from  
2       380, coming from 940 moving west or coming in from  
3       80 and coming into -- me coming from the west and  
4       from the east, do we have digital signs there?  
5       That's one of the things that will be next.

6                               MS. LAMBERTON:    Joey?

7                               MR. JOSEPH COLYER:   We already  
8       have some of them on 380 and on 9 --

9                               Joseph Colyer.

10                              We already have some of that,  
11       though, right? We have two already?

12                              MR. HOLAHAN:    Yeah, do we want  
13       any more?

14                              MR. JOSEPH COLYER:   It's kind  
15       of hard to let one person do it and not somebody  
16       else.

17                              MR. HOLAHAN:    It might be

18 hard --

19 MR. JOSEPH COLYER: Kind of set  
20 the precedent.

21 MR. HOLAHAN: -- but it's not  
22 impossible.

23 MS. LAMBERTON: I'm sorry, sir,  
24 just state your name.

25 MR. PETER TOTA: Peter Tota,

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1 Pocono Pines.

2 As far as this interstate  
3 overlay, you're saying like after I come up 380 and  
4 make a left, we're gonna have billboards there with  
5 advertising for our people? Or is it each  
6 individual business has a sign by each one.

7 MS. PICKARD: Off-premise  
8 digital. Off-premise is billboards, which is --

9 MR. PETER TOTA: Okay. But say  
10 if there were 10 businesses, STS, you have  
11 AutoZone, each one could put their own individual  
12 sign? Like you can have 10 individual billboards?

13 MS. LAMBERTON: I think that's  
14 one of the reasons we asked our zoning officer to

15 give us an idea of the size of the lots that are  
16 currently there. And looking at it, I know you  
17 haven't had a chance to see this and it will be for  
18 your viewing pleasure tomorrow morning, but they're  
19 large parcels. So I think when you take an  
20 understanding at that, if that is developed, what  
21 would you have, one sign?

22 MR. PETER TOTA: Well, that's my  
23 --

24 MS. LAMBERTON: That's, I think,  
25 what we need --

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1 MR. PETER TOTA: -- individuals  
2 going down each, like I said STS, you have  
3 AutoZone, you got Lowe's, you got -- you're gonna  
4 have each individual --

5 MS. LAMBERTON: Well, that's  
6 not our township.

7 MR. PETER TOTA: Okay. Right.

8 MS. LAMBERTON: We stop right at  
9 Cramer's Cashway for lack of a better delineation.

10 MR. PETER TOTA: Okay.

11 MS. LAMBERTON: That's where our  
12 township ends.

13 MR. PETER TOTA: Okay.

14 MS. LAMBERTON: So from there  
15 west is what we got to concentrate on.

16 MR. PETER TOTA: It's gonna be  
17 one big sign with individual -- whether it's gonna  
18 be individual billboards.

19 MS. LAMBERTON: And that's what  
20 we need to discuss.

21 MR. PETER TOTA: Okay.

22 MS. LAMBERTON: Yes.

23 MR. PETER TOTA: All right.

24 Thank you.

25 MS. LAMBERTON: You're very

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1 welcome.

2 MS. PICKARD: It's not  
3 on-premise for the businesses there, this would be  
4 for off-premise. So it's not for the businesses  
5 that are located there, that would be an on-premise  
6 electronic sign or digital sign. This is for  
7 off-premise which is basically a billboard.

8 MR. PETER TOTA: Okay.

9 MS. PICKARD: So it's  
10 advertising something not on the property.

11 MR. HOLAHAN: So Lowe's could  
12 put the sign there, they could advertise there --

13 MS. PICKARD: Yes.

14 MR. HOLAHAN: -- even though  
15 Lowe's is not there.

16 MR. PETER TOTA: But there's  
17 still the discussion on the digital signs, you  
18 started to discuss that?

19 MS. LAMBERTON: I think that's  
20 the basis of a committee, to look at all types of  
21 signs to say, yes, we want this, this we feel this  
22 is a good idea; or no, we do not feel that this is  
23 the perfect fit for that.

24 And going back to the previous  
25 with the --

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1 MR. PETER TOTA: Thank you.

2 MS. LAMBERTON: You're very  
3 welcome. Thank you.

4                                   As far as, we do have a -- a  
5 ordinance in process, but nothing has been  
6 determined. So the planning commission --

7                                   How many years have they been  
8 wanting to update the ordinances and the signage?

9                                   MS. PICKARD:    Back 2008 to  
10 2011.

11                                  MS. LAMBERTON:   Yeah. So I  
12 don't know, I guess we just come to a -- you know,  
13 you can't keep kicking the can down the road.

14                                  Go ahead, sir.

15                                  MR. CONNELL MCGILL:   Connell  
16 McGill.

17                                  I was just wondering what the  
18 driving force behind off-premise advertising is.  
19 We recognize the fact that business owners,  
20 business developers, shopping center developers in  
21 an overlay, trying to commit -- create a different  
22 village environment, is important to advertise  
23 those businesses. I question why the off-premise  
24 thing and what is the driving motivation behind  
25 that, and who.

1 MS. LAMBERTON: Well, I know if  
2 you look up and down 940 right now there are a  
3 number of wooden billboards -- I'm just saying,  
4 they currently exist.

5 MR. CONNELL McGILL: I agree.

6 MS. LAMBERTON: So --

7 MR. CONNELL McGILL: And I agree

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9 MS. LAMBERTON: -- if --

10 MR. CONNELL McGILL: I agree  
11 with John that they're -- and I agree with this  
12 woman over here, there's a lot of them that those  
13 businesses are dead, there's still -- there's still  
14 signs out there for businesses and the ordinance  
15 probably should clean those up.

16 But I'm just -- now there we're  
17 talking about electronic digital signage that can  
18 potentially be very large, impacting a lot of  
19 things, I can see the need to advertise your local  
20 business, businessmen's right, create, drive  
21 market, but why open it up to just billboards?

22 MS. LAMBERTON: And that's  
23 something very valid that needs to have discussion  
24 on. I agree with that.

25 MR. HOLAHAN: Connell, we do

1 have -- we do have places in those areas that are  
2 -- so we've got Arcadia Industrial Park down there  
3 and we've Pocono Manor and Kalahari up at the other  
4 end. It's not going to stop there. Take that --  
5 let me take that back. Those are where the growth  
6 is gonna happen, there's no commercial/industrial  
7 to go any further except those areas.

8                   So we can see the pressure  
9 coming in once those things -- those places start  
10 to develop. What else is gonna come in next to  
11 Kalahari? There are other plots back there that  
12 won't be able to get signage visible from the main  
13 road, so an anticipation of some of these things  
14 coming in.

15                   So we have to be careful in that  
16 we want to -- we want to attract some of these  
17 businesses that are coming in. But by the same  
18 token, we don't want to pass something and then go,  
19 oh, my God, what have we done, right? This is --  
20 this is -- this is the conundrum that we're in.

21                   MS. LAMBERTON: Sir, just state

22 your --

23 MR. JOE BALABAN: Joe Balaban,

24 Lake Naomi.

25 THE REPORTER: What was your

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1 name? I'm sorry.

2 MR. JOSE BALABAN: Joe Balaban,

3 Lake Naomi.

4 Couple things. One, these signs

5 that are there now, off-premises, are not

6 advertising local businesses, they're advertising a

7 business all the way down 611. I don't know if

8 that's anything you can control. The other thing

9 is, is there any recourse if the decision is not to

10 allow digital signs, to get those removed, since

11 they're there already and should they put on

12 notice.

13 MS. LAMBERTON: I don't know

14 that you can take something that was once allowed

15 away from someone.

16 MR. JOE BALABAN: Were they

17 allowed?

18 MS. LAMBERTON: They must have

19 been at one point. That's before Anne, okay?

20 I'm sorry, sir?

21 MR. RICK METZGER: Rick

22 Metzger, Lake Naomi.

23 That one sign I think you're  
24 speaking about, that's diagonally across Cramer's,  
25 I don't think that's in our township, though.

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1 MS. LAMBERTON: Oh, yes, it is.

2 MR. RICK METZGER: It is, it  
3 is?

4 MS. LAMBERTON: Yeah, it's  
5 right on the edge, yes.

6 MR. RICK METZGER: Okay. I  
7 thought --

8 MS. LAMBERTON: I'm sorry, Troy?  
9 (Inaudible discussion.)

10 THE REPORTER: Excuse me. I'm  
11 having a hard time hearing.

12 MR. PETER TOTA: Peter Tota  
13 from Lake Naomi.

14 I know that you should have a

15 committee because when you have digital signs, what  
16 will you -- you say it's -- it's our right-of-way,  
17 you can't have a sign on the right-of-way digital.  
18 Is the business allowed to put a digital sign  
19 inside his window advertising we have a sale on  
20 nuts and bolts or whatever? Because you're now  
21 driving down the road and you're looking to the  
22 right, looking at the sign and now you're not  
23 paying attention. I don't know how far you can  
24 stop him, can he put it on the side of his  
25 building? It's not really --

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1 MS. LAMBERTON: That would all  
2 be -- that would all be how the ordinance would be  
3 written at that point, that's what we'd have to  
4 agree upon.

5 MR. PETER TOTA: That's to be  
6 discussed.

7 MS. LAMBERTON: Yes, exactly.

8 MR. PETER TOTA: Fine. Thank  
9 you.

10 MS. LAMBERTON: Troy, I saw  
11 your hand up back there.

12 MR. TROY COUNTERMAN: Troy  
13 Counterman, Blakeslee.

14 Correct me if I'm wrong, but  
15 we're kind of a little confused here. We're  
16 talking about on-premise advertising and billboards  
17 off-premise. Billboards, again, correct me if I'm  
18 wrong, but billboards are regulated by PennDOT,  
19 they can only be placed in certain areas. So where  
20 you see a billboard now is the only place that a  
21 billboard can be placed for off-premise  
22 advertising. And I think down at the truck stop,  
23 the new plaza down there, when that thing was so  
24 bright, they put regulations on them that they  
25 could only advertise for on-site properties.

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1 MS. LAMBERTON: When you say  
2 the truck stop, you mean down in Bartonsville,  
3 Troy?

4 MR. TROY COUNTERMAN: Correct.  
5 'Cause there was a lot of complaints when that  
6 thing went up, that it was too bright. We got the  
7 same thing with Kalahari when it went up. So I

8 would suggest that somebody contact PennDOT for  
9 their rules and regulations because I do believe  
10 they put restrictions on them, that they could not  
11 advertise off-site.

12 MS. LAMBERTON: Thank you for  
13 brining that up. As a matter of fact, our township  
14 engineer, Bob McHale --

15 Would you like to speak to --

16 MR. McHALE: Sure. There's --  
17 there's three maps or plans that are in front of  
18 the board right now. And one is, just to give you  
19 an example, Interstate 380 and 940 -- and what Troy  
20 has said is correct. If you flip to the third  
21 page, you'll see that this is a figure directly out  
22 of PennDOT's Publication 581, which is addressing  
23 the Highway Beautification Act and that's the  
24 manual that PennDOT will go by.

25 If you see the checkerboard kind

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1 of cross hatch immediately near the interchange  
2 around for controlled access highways, they have,  
3 from their right-of-way, 660 feet back, where  
4 around the interchanges is prohibited. There are

5 none that are gonna go there. And on the  
6 controlled highways, they take 500 feet from the  
7 tapers and they -- they extend that distance back  
8 and that is also prohibited.

9                   Now, if you go to the second  
10 page which shows the -- it's the interstate and  
11 federal aid primary highway system and this is what  
12 PennDOT uses as a part of this package too, to show  
13 that the interstates, of course; but 940, the  
14 entire length in Tobyhanna Township, as well as  
15 115, they are controlled highways. So what it  
16 means then, you flip back to Page 3 again, is that  
17 for 660 feet back, after you get to the edge of the  
18 prohibited section, now PennDOT has control over  
19 off-premise, those type of billboard signs, in  
20 those corridors.

21                   So really what PennDOT will do  
22 -- the front sketch with the aerial just only  
23 depicts the prohibited areas for that interchange  
24 area based upon our estimate off of tapers from  
25 aerial photos. What PennDOT will do is, if there's

1 a municipal ordinance in place, they will ask the  
2 applicant to get the township's approval before  
3 they'll issue a permit.

4 So the township has an  
5 opportunity to have an ordinance in place to  
6 regulate off-premise electronic billboards or  
7 off-premise static billboards, you know, in those  
8 areas that are controlled by PennDOT; but they can  
9 also have ordinances in place for our township.  
10 And, again, there's prohibited areas, just as Troy  
11 was indicating, where they're not allowed to have  
12 off-premise signs.

13 MS. LAMBERTON: And if I can  
14 take it one step further, and correct me if I'm  
15 wrong, even though the township might approve that  
16 signage, that does not necessarily mean PennDOT --

17 MR. McHALE: Correct.

18 MS. LAMBERTON: -- will allow  
19 it.

20 MR. McHALE: That's it. So the  
21 committee would take this into account and probably  
22 even at some point, once they pull a draft  
23 ordinance together, is to run it by -- there's a  
24 gentleman I spoke to a couple times, Michael  
25 Paffrath. He's the one that oversees this portion

1 of the regulations. And to run the draft by him  
2 and to say, here's what we're thinking, Mike, can  
3 you take a look at it, see if we need to tweak it.  
4 So that would be my suggestion.

5 MS. LAMBERTON: We may have you  
6 sit on that committee, Bob. Makes sense, right?

7 Any other comments?

8 MR. HOLAHAN: Have them at eight  
9 o'clock at night, right, Bob?

10 MR. McHALE: That'd be fine.

11 MS. LAMBERTON: So I hope  
12 everyone agrees that we're going in the right  
13 direction. We are open to any input. And whoever  
14 may be interested, if you just want to contact our  
15 township manager with your name and contact  
16 information and if you'd be interested. And then  
17 we'll just -- we can't pick everybody, 'cause you  
18 know the larger the group that you have, the longer  
19 it takes to get anything resolved.

20 Yes, ma'am.

21 MS. MARY DANIEL: Mary Daniel.  
22 How would you choose the people

23 who would be on this committee?

24 MS. LAMBERTON: I think --  
25 well, it's apparently gonna be a board decision.

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1 But I would like to be have a -- a larger balance  
2 of residential with a few business owners and then  
3 possibly our zoning officer and if Mr. McHale could  
4 at least be part of it, so he knows all the  
5 regulation and how it would be affected or where we  
6 wouldn't even be allowed so why even think about  
7 it, those type areas.

8 Does that make --

9 MR. HOLAHAN: We'll draw  
10 straws.

11 MS. LAMBERTON: Yeah.

12 MR. HOLAHAN: And we'll have  
13 five or 600 straws and the short ones you lose,  
14 you're on the committee.

15 MS. LAMBERTON: Well, I can see  
16 a number of different communities represented here.  
17 So I think in all fairness --

18 MS. PICKARD: In all different

19 areas.

20 MS. LAMBERTON: -- you know, we  
21 can have a couple -- we just can't get too large, I  
22 hope everyone would understand that, 'cause if not,  
23 you're just gonna be going in circles until you  
24 have some ideas. And everyone, of course, is  
25 welcome to come to the open meetings and we'll

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1 discuss that multiple times before we make a  
2 decision. There's no reason to rush into it.

3 MS. PICKARD: Okay. I just had  
4 a couple of comments that I wanted to say. One was  
5 on that billboard down by Cramer's, at the edge of  
6 the township, that was a zoning hearing board  
7 decision that permitted that digital sign. And I  
8 think the other ones that are on 940 are  
9 grandfathered in and I don't think we could remove  
10 them because they already had a right to be there,  
11 was one thing.

12 And one thing I know, Mike  
13 Christian's brought up a couple times and what the  
14 new decisions that the courts have handed down, if  
15 we do allow anything in our gateway to the

16 community, we don't get to regulate the content.  
17 So we can't stop the massage parlor advertising on  
18 these things, it will be whatever it is, will be.

19 MS. LAMBERTON: That is a true  
20 statement. That was brought to our attention by  
21 our solicitor.

22 If you'd like to speak to the  
23 Supreme Court ruling or --

24 MR. REISS: There was a decision  
25 issued last summer by the Supreme Court out of a

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1 case out of Arizona which restricts the ability of  
2 municipalities to regulate content. The  
3 regulations have to be neutral as it come -- as it  
4 speaks to different types of signs. You can  
5 regulate the different types of signs, digital,  
6 on-premise, off-premise, that sort of thing. But  
7 when you speak to an on-premise sign, for instance,  
8 it has to be content neutral. So whether it's for  
9 a church, whether it's for a township, whether it's  
10 for a gas station, the regulations have to be the  
11 same. Same for all types of signs, temporary signs

12 all have to be content neutral.

13                   So that's the challenge for a  
14 municipality because it used to be that you could  
15 regulate a certain amount of content. You had to  
16 be somewhat neutral, but you could regulate your  
17 sign, you had more flexibility in your regulations.  
18 So if you want to allow, for instance, temporary  
19 signs, you can't say, well, it's okay for churches  
20 when they're having their bazaars, but it's not  
21 okay for realtors or whatever. It has to be same  
22 regulation.

23                   So that -- that would be the  
24 challenge that you'll work through. And it's  
25 difficult because municipalities typically do like

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1 to make those distinctions.

2                   MS. LAMBERTON: Yes, Mike?

3                   MR. MIKE CHRISTIAN: Thank you.

4                   Just as -- correct me if I'm  
5 wrong, but my understanding is that it does come  
6 down to the on-site, off-site, that if you -- as  
7 you regulate on-site, that has to advertise only  
8 the business on that site. So they can say

9 anything so long as it's about their business.  
10 Once you allow off-site, then they can say anything  
11 about any commercial entity.

12 MR. REISS: Correct.

13 MR. MIKE CHRISTIAN: Thank you.

14 MS. LAMBERTON: But can a  
15 business --

16 MS. PICKARD: I had a question  
17 for Jonathan.

18 MS. LAMBERTON: I'm sorry. Go  
19 ahead, Heidi.

20 MS. PICKARD: Can we regulate  
21 or to say that our off-site signs could only  
22 advertise in-township businesses?

23 MR. REISS: No, I don't think  
24 you could.

25 MS. PICKARD: Okay. Just a

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1 question.

2 MS. LAMBERTON: Mr. Tota?

3 MR. PETER TOTA: Yeah. About  
4 three years or four years ago, Pennsylvania Power

5 and Light reconducted all of 940, they put in 45  
6 foot poles rather than 40 foot poles. The reason  
7 why that is -- 'cause I worked for the power line  
8 company -- is you can't put a three phase  
9 transformer on a 40 foot pole. There's a safety  
10 gap between the neutral line and cable or -- cable  
11 or telephone, there's got to be so many feet. If  
12 you put a three phrase transformer, which is higher  
13 in height, that has -- you have to drop the neutral  
14 zone down which now makes that safety of four foot  
15 down to about three feet.

16 When you put it on a 45 foot  
17 pole, it becomes 8 foot because now Power and Light  
18 just doesn't say well, we have nothing to do, let's  
19 put in all new poles and reconduct it, they know  
20 businesses are coming. Now, if a business comes  
21 and says, I can't -- you're not gonna let them  
22 advertise and I'm just wondering if it's going to  
23 stop a business from coming or --

24 MS. LAMBERTON: In -- in all  
25 honesty, we have to be sensitive to that --

2 MS. LAMBERTON: -- because, I  
3 mean, our township revenue --

4 MR. PETER TOTA: Comes from the  
5 business.

6 MS. LAMBERTON: -- not only  
7 comes from the residential, but the commercial and  
8 the commercial/industrial pay a much higher rate  
9 and it does -- and they don't feed children into  
10 the school districts and -- so you have to also be  
11 very sensitive to that as well, so --

12 MR. PETER TOTA: Because I  
13 mentioned it to my wife, I said, well, businesses  
14 are coming here. She says, why do you say that?  
15 So I explained to her the same thing I just told  
16 you. Tractor Supply, you got Lowe's, you got  
17 AutoZone come up, these are businesses, right. Now  
18 you have the Ford -- what is it, Ray Price Ford,  
19 they're gonna need three phase right off the get-go  
20 because of their --

21 MS. LAMBERTON: Expansion.

22 MR. PETER TOTA: -- machines --  
23 expansion and it's there, so it's something to be  
24 considered.

25 MS. LAMBERTON: And along that

1 line, we -- I mean, I know we've talked about  
2 density and that's what a lot of the planners that  
3 are in this for a living do. They'd rather see it  
4 in a dense area instead of a sprawl. So that's why  
5 we were trying to concentrate our commercial to  
6 grow at the intersections of the interstate on both  
7 ends of our township and leave the rest alone.

8 MR. PETER TOTA: Okay. Thank  
9 you.

10 MS. LAMBERTON: Thank you.

11 MR. MOYER: Who's in charge --

12 MR. CONNELL MCGILL: Connell  
13 McGill.

14 MS. LAMBERTON: I'm sorry. Go  
15 ahead.

16 MR. CONNELL MCGILL: Connell  
17 McGill.

18 Jonathan, can I just ask a  
19 question? I understand what the dilemma there is  
20 on content, but can you -- you can't effect the  
21 content because of free speech, freedom of speech  
22 laws and I understand that portion. But can you

23 limit the rate of the number of ads, the rate of  
24 the ads, the changing of the ads, how many people  
25 are allowed to advertise? You know, maybe, you

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1 know, Wawa would love to have coffee time to go to  
2 Wawa and then the massage parlor might like at  
3 nighttime to get a massage. I don't know exactly  
4 -- but can you regulate it and slow it down so that  
5 you're not constantly barraged --

6 MR. REISS: Yes.

7 MR. CONNELL MCGILL: -- by  
8 different ads that it would be -- okay, this is  
9 gonna be a Kalahari ad or this it gonna be a Lowe's  
10 ad or whomever?

11 MR. REISS: For electronic signs  
12 you can -- you can regulate how often they change,  
13 the rate of change, how it changes. You have the  
14 brightness of the sign.

15 MR. CONNELL MCGILL: Can you  
16 say how many times a day you can change it?  
17 Meaning that if I have a message, can I change that  
18 message at whim during the day. I mean, I know I  
19 have an interface with the -- with the billboard.

20 Can you restrict that?

21 MR. REISS: Yes. The  
22 advertising companies tell you -- I forget what  
23 their best practices is, but they say it's -- let's  
24 say every five seconds or ten seconds --

25 MR. McHALE: It's actually

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1 around 15 seconds --

2 MR. REISS: -- because they want  
3 to catch --

4 MR. McHALE: -- is fairly  
5 normal.

6 MR. REISS: They want to catch  
7 the next car going by with another sign. Williams  
8 Township, which is on I-78, they adopted an  
9 ordinance and I think they limited the change to  
10 like two or three minutes and they regulated the  
11 brightness of the sign at nighttime. You can --  
12 you can put those regulations in place.

13 MR. CONNELL MCGILL: Thank you.

14 MS. LAMBERTON: I was speaking  
15 to a gentleman who owns a sign company. He said

16 you can actually even regulate the type of LED that  
17 you put in, that is even almost a calmer light. So  
18 you can write your ordinance to list all of those  
19 items. And PennDOT actually has its own regulation  
20 --

21 Bob, correct me if I'm wrong.  
22 -- on the amount of time and  
23 brightness that they'll allow.

24 MR. McHALE: I didn't look into  
25 PennDOT's regulations specific to that. But what

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1 Jonathan is saying is correct, you can regulate all  
2 those items that he mentioned.

3 MS. LAMBERTON: Don, you had a  
4 question about the speed limit?

5 MR. MOYER: Yeah, I didn't know  
6 who was in charge, is that PennDOT?

7 MS. LAMBERTON: On the state,  
8 yeah, 940 and 80 and 380 is a big -- yeah. Slow  
9 them down a little bit.

10 Yes, sir?

11 MR. JIM FEELEY: Yeah, Jim  
12 Feeley, Lake Naomi.

13 I think the guy hit on a good  
14 point here about grandfathered signs. You know,  
15 I'm from the West Chester/202 corridor area. It's  
16 almost like overnight in the last five years I've  
17 seen just plain wooden signs get converted to a  
18 digital sign overnight. And some of the areas  
19 where I see some of these signs are kind of in the  
20 residential area where we wouldn't expect to see  
21 that. And possibility maybe that might be  
22 something you might want to address, because how do  
23 you stop them? You got somebody who has a sign  
24 that's grandfathered in and some digital company  
25 comes along and says, we'll -- we'll electrify that

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1 thing for you for nothing and before you know it --

2 MS. LAMBERTON: Well, it's not  
3 allowed yet.

4 MR. JIM FEELEY: Right here,  
5 it's not allowed?

6 MS. PICKARD: Yeah.

7 MS. LAMBERTON: Yeah. And  
8 that's why we're having this discussion --

9 MS. PICKARD: Exactly.

10 MS. LAMBERTON: -- so we can  
11 get out in front of it.

12 Sir?

13 MR. PETER TOTA: Just one more  
14 point of interest. Can you make a time limit, say  
15 seven o'clock it would be shut off?

16 MS. LAMBERTON: That's also --  
17 that was also an item that was brought up. Is like  
18 can we turn them off at 10 p.m. or 9 p.m., is that  
19 what you're saying?

20 MR. PETER TOTA: Right. 'Cause  
21 people seeing going down the road, I don't want to  
22 see them crash, shut them off. I mean, businesses  
23 usually close, say, seven o'clock, can it be done?  
24 As far as timewise, make it eight o'clock at night.  
25 And if they don't, give them a \$500 fine. Make it

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1 so high that they know they have to shut it off.

2 MS. LAMBERTON: And those are  
3 things we can put into our discussion group. I  
4 think that's a very valid comment.

5 MR. PETER TOTA: Thank you.

6 MS. LAMBERTON: Thank you.  
7 Anyone else have any comments?

8 MR. JOSEPH COLYER: Just one.

9 MS. LAMBERTON: Joe?

10 MR. JOSEPH COLYER: Are we  
11 gonna not have like digital flashing speed limit  
12 signs on township roads either? 'Cause we have  
13 them now and they're hideous, half of them are in  
14 the road.

15 MALE VOICE: What's good for the  
16 goose is good for the gander.

17 MR. JOSEPH COLYER: Right. So  
18 if it's not allowed, it's not allowed. So be  
19 careful what you wish for because if a business  
20 can't have it, that means we can't tow these little  
21 trailers and leave them on the shoulder of the road  
22 in the car path, which is prohibited in our  
23 township, according to the ordinance, but they're  
24 there now so -- we shouldn't have them either.

25 MS. PICKARD: What signs are you

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1 talking about, Joey?

2 MR. JOSEPH COLYER: The  
3 flashing speed limit --

4 MS. LAMBERTON: Speed limit.

5 MR. JOSEPH COLYER: -- signs in  
6 Lake Naomi, that they park right in the shoulder of  
7 the road.

8 MS. PICKARD: But I think if  
9 it's on a private road --

10 MR. JOSEPH COLYER: It's not on  
11 a private road, they're township road, Miller  
12 Drive's township.

13 MS. PICKARD: Okay. I missed  
14 that.

15 MS. LAMBERTON: Thank you.  
16 Anyone else?

17 MS. HAASE: Before we move on,  
18 I just -- 'cause this will have to be by  
19 resolution.

20 MS. LAMBERTON: Okay.

21 MS. HAASE: So if I can get  
22 direction from the board what you would like in the  
23 resolution for your next work session. So it's my  
24 understanding right now, it's been discussed, the  
25 zoning officer, engineer and a planning commission

1 member, so that's three members right now. How  
2 many members would you like from the business  
3 community and how many from the resident?

4 MR. McHALE: Could I offer up --

5 MS. LAMBERTON: Yes.

6 MR. McHALE: If I might just say  
7 that maybe myself not be one of the committee  
8 members, but I could just be a go-to for technical  
9 advice if you wish or research documents on an  
10 as-needed basis and that would free up a chair or a  
11 position for a resident to be able to do that.

12 MR. KERRICK: Nice move, Bob.

13 MS. LAMBERTON: That's how you  
14 do that.

15 (Inaudible outbursts.)

16 MR. HOLAHAN: It's for you  
17 folks. It's for the benefit of you folks.

18 MS. LAMBERTON: It's to help  
19 everyone else.

20 MS. PICKARD: Just let me tell  
21 you, Bob --

22 FEMALE VOICE: It's not  
23 Coolbaugh.

24 MS. PICKARD: Bob does have some  
25 -- some guidance, some really thick documents that

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1 he's provided me with, that are really good sleep  
2 aides, from Penn State and the Federal Highway  
3 Administration, that you would be required to  
4 probably read, so keep that in mind.

5 MR. HOLAHAN: For a number of  
6 members that would be -- I think we need to give  
7 that a little more thought, because we take a look  
8 at how many businesses there are and then what  
9 percentage of that and then people from a couple of  
10 different communities, so we get several of those,  
11 and then people aren't in committee. So I think  
12 it's premature to be able to kind of figure that  
13 out right now. I don't want to hold this off, but,  
14 I mean, I wouldn't mind if --

15 MS. PICKARD: If we come back  
16 at our work session, maybe, and come back with some  
17 idea?

18 MR. HOLAHAN: In three weeks,  
19 do we need to get this figured out in three weeks?

20 Well, I don't think so. Don't worry, we're not  
21 gonna be putting digital signs up anywhere in the  
22 next three weeks. So if we could -- yeah, if we  
23 could hold that off and get it figured out?

24 MS. LAMBERTON: Yes, sir.

25 MR. GEORGE BISHOP: George

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1 Bishop, Pocono Pines.

2 I'm just looking at the other  
3 guy, he's the guy that's been in this business for  
4 20 years, how long have these signs been going up?  
5 He knows every answer, every question, every trick  
6 of the trade, how to get the thing done, what we  
7 want to do. How do we fight them? How do we --  
8 how do we know what to -- what -- they know  
9 everything about the business. We know nothing  
10 about it, really, as a -- you know, a committee  
11 we're forming and we're gonna -- we don't even know  
12 what questions to ask. We don't know where the  
13 signs can be.

14 MS. LAMBERTON: I think the  
15 purpose of the committee is to bring your ideas on  
16 the type of signage you would like to see in the

17 community or --

18 MR. GEORGE BISHOP: But whatever  
19 we decide they'll have a counteract.

20 MS. LAMBERTON: Who's they?

21 MR. GEORGE BISHOP: Whoever  
22 wants to put up a sign.

23 MS. LAMBERTON: Well, I think  
24 once you have an ordinance in place, that's the  
25 sign you're allowed to put up.

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1 MR. GEORGE BISHOP: But they'll  
2 be able to counteract it, I just -- I'm just  
3 thinking out loud.

4 MS. LAMBERTON: That's okay. I  
5 appreciate your comments, but I -- I think that  
6 that's why the ordinances are put in place so if  
7 someone new would come into the area, a business  
8 would look at our ordinances. They would say, this  
9 is what I'm allowed to do and I have to stay within  
10 that ordinance. I mean, they can't step outside of  
11 it, unless they would request a waiver or something  
12 from the zoning hearing board.

13 MR. HOLAHAN: Right.

14 MS. LAMBERTON: So that's why  
15 you have them in place, to protect what your  
16 decisions are at that time, but I do respect what  
17 you're saying.

18 MR. GEORGE BISHOP: Okay.

19 MR. HOLAHAN: I think we all  
20 know that what happens is -- with signs is, a sign  
21 goes up and then another business has to outshout  
22 that business to catch the attention, right? So  
23 that's where we're -- so if we kind of standardize  
24 some things -- and that's one of things we spoke  
25 about before, a little more standardization in the

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1 signs, that now you can no longer -- look, these  
2 things are commercials and we're bombarded by  
3 commercials all the time so how can we make them  
4 less intrusive, less garish. Someone used garish,  
5 I love that word now, garish.

6 MS. LAMBERTON: Mrs. Zabaleta?

7 MS. VILMA ZABALETA: I've been  
8 driving here for 43 years and I feel that these  
9 signs are distracting when people are driving at 70

10 miles an hour trying to pass you or are right on  
11 the bumper. So I don't want anything that is  
12 shining and is taking attention out of driving.  
13 I'm sorry, it's very dangerous.

14 MR. HOLAHAN: Don't apologize,  
15 good point.

16 MS. LAMBERTON: Yeah, no,  
17 that's --

18 MS. VILMA ZABALETA: I mean, you  
19 go by Kalahari and they're telling you, you have --  
20 you know go here, go there, you know? That should  
21 not be happening when you're driving with all  
22 trucks and everybody. So, you know, I don't want  
23 any more. I feel that with the ones we have is  
24 enough. The other thing is once you let --

25 MS. LAMBERTON: Is that 70

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1 there? Is that 70 miles an hour there, Mrs.  
2 Zabaleta?

3 (Audience outburst.)

4 MS. VILMA ZABALETA: I need to  
5 know the website, what's your website?

6 MS. LAMBERTON: We'll have  
7 Phyllis announce that or --  
8 MS. VILMA ZABALETA: All right.  
9 Thank you.  
10 MS. HAASE: I have some  
11 business cards --  
12 MS. LAMBERTON: That might be  
13 the best way, yes.  
14 MS. HAASE: I'd be happy to give  
15 you.  
16 MS. LAMBERTON: Phyllis has a  
17 business card --  
18 MS. HAASE: With my email  
19 address and also the website on it.  
20 MR. HOLAHAN: I think what's  
21 gonna happen is once you all get the kind of thing  
22 what this overlay thing is that we're referring to,  
23 it will be less abstract to you and then it will  
24 make some kind of sense of what we're talking  
25 about. And that will be put up on the website.

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1 MS. LAMBERTON: Mr. Tota?  
2 MR. PETER TOTA: I think we

3 should get a committee because there's so many  
4 loopholes in this sign, you're gonna tell a  
5 business that he can't put a sign inside his  
6 business? I mean, that's, you know -- he could put  
7 a little four by four sign in the window saying,  
8 nuts and bolts on sale. You're gonna tell him he  
9 can't do it? I don't know what the legal end of it  
10 is, but I think we should get all the ideas  
11 together --

12 MS. LAMBERTON: I agree.

13 MR. PETER TOTA: -- put it out  
14 and go from there.

15 MS. LAMBERTON: That's the  
16 direction --

17 MR. PETER TOTA: There's a lot  
18 of loopholes, there are a lot of loopholes.

19 MS. LAMBERTON: Agreed. That's  
20 the direction we want to take. Thank you.

21 Sir?

22 MR. TED MOYER: Ted Moyer,  
23 Pocono Lake.

24 I would like to ask the  
25 audience, is there anybody here pushing, that would

1 like to have a digital sign.

2 To answer your question, sir, we  
3 got to vote them out, that's the only way we can  
4 fight them because the special --

5 MR. PETER TOTA: Who out?

6 MR. TED MOYER: The special  
7 interest sits up there, what goes on behind the  
8 scenes is what's driving these signs, end of story.

9 MS. LAMBERTON: Well, to that  
10 comment, and I -- I understand your comment, Teddy,  
11 I appreciate that. Thank you. I think what we are  
12 looking at too is, it is 2016, we do have  
13 businesses that are looking in the Pocono  
14 Mountains. We need to see what they're -- a lot of  
15 the businesses have requirements for their models,  
16 that they already have in place in other areas, so  
17 we have to be sensitive to that.

18 And if it is something -- we are  
19 a resort community, we are a tourism community, I  
20 mean, that's what the Poconos is. So just like  
21 communities needs change and -- I mean, let's take  
22 for instance -- and I'm not picking on Lake Naomi,  
23 but you have a new welcome center because the needs

24 for your younger generation coming in is changing  
25 and you want your grandchildren to come and you

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1 want to have something for them, the township has  
2 to look at that as well. You know, you also want  
3 to have some areas -- but you want to maintain the  
4 rest your community as it is, 'cause that's what we  
5 all are here for.

6 I'm born -- I'm a feared local,  
7 so I lived here my entire life, so I get it. I  
8 remember when 940 and I think John and Donny you  
9 can contest to it, was two lanes, there wasn't a  
10 thing built. I rode snowmobiles up and down 940.  
11 So we've seen the changes and if we don't get  
12 something done now, it's gonna develop and we're  
13 gonna be playing catch up with a project-driven  
14 ordinance and you don't want that. You want to  
15 have your ordinance in place, but you have to look  
16 at both sides of it to be fair.

17 MR. HOLAHAN: Well said.

18 MS. LAMBERTON: Thank you.

19 Here, here. Okay.

20 But I appreciate everyone coming

21 out and this is what we need to make our community  
22 sustain, 'cause if we don't know what you guys  
23 want, we -- I mean, it helps us get the right  
24 decisions made.

25 MS. VILMA ZABALETA: What are

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1 these towers that they're putting on 940 for the  
2 electric?

3 MS. LAMBERTON: Mr. Tota worked  
4 for the Pennsylvania -- I'm only kidding.

5 (Inaudible comments.)

6 MS. LAMBERTON: That's  
7 Pennsylvania -- that's Pennsylvania Power and  
8 Light, that's out of our control.

9 MR. PETER TOTA: I can answer  
10 that.

11 MS. LAMBERTON: Oh, no, here we  
12 go. I'm ready.

13 MR. PETER TOTA: First on the  
14 right -- 'cause I back up to the right-of-way. You  
15 had wood poles, what they call a single conductor  
16 or single -- what happens is one substation feeds



14 doing 70 on 380, Mrs. Zabaleta.

15 Are there any other comments?

16 Jim?

17 MS. PICKARD: I did have a  
18 comment. I know Phyllis is trying --

19 I did want to bring something up  
20 and I know we're gonna go probably long, but I did  
21 want to talk about Middle Smithfield and some of  
22 the ways that they're encouraging economic  
23 development to dovetail with the signs. I was  
24 hoping to get another committee thought process  
25 going on economic development to get our businesses

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1 so they can look at different ways and ways to  
2 market our community so that they don't need neon  
3 signs and flashing lights as part of that.

4 And I've been doing some poking  
5 around Middle Smithfield and some of the things --  
6 I know they had an app, I couldn't find it. But  
7 they do have an economic development committee and  
8 I would like to -- if we're going to have a  
9 committee for signs, I would like to see another

10 way -- I know -- I've talked with several people, I  
11 think we have some smart people in our community  
12 that may be willing to help out other businesses as  
13 well.

14 MS. LAMBERTON: Sure. That  
15 sounds like a lovely idea.

16 MS. PICKARD: Maybe we can talk  
17 about that at our work session.

18 MS. LAMBERTON: That sounds  
19 great.

20 MS. HAASE: So I'm clear then,  
21 a resolution will not need to be prepared prior to  
22 work session for the --

23 MS. LAMBERTON: For to put a  
24 committee together?

25 MS. HAASE: Correct.

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1 MS. LAMBERTON: I'd like to see  
2 everybody send their emails into --

3 MR. HOLAHAN: Phyllis.

4 MS. LAMBERTON: -- Phyllis for a  
5 letter of interest to join a committee and then I  
6 guess the -- we diligently have to put something

7 together so you guys can get working on it and -- I  
8 think a very valid comment that was just made to me  
9 was, maybe we could have the staff not as members  
10 so that would allow more residential and commercial  
11 people on the committee. We would just use their  
12 guidance instead of being committee members as Bob  
13 so eloquently backed himself right out of that  
14 position so -- but that's a very valid comment that  
15 you made.

16 MR. HOLAHAN: Anne, to Phyllis'  
17 question then, perhaps we could go and draft what  
18 the ordinance may be and then just plug the numbers  
19 in when we have the discussion?

20 MS. LAMBERTON: The resolution?

21 MR. HOLAHAN: Yeah. Well, for  
22 -- yeah, the resolution, sorry.

23 MS. LAMBERTON: I'm fine with  
24 that if the board's -- if that's the board's  
25 pleasure?

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1 MS. PICKARD: That's fine.

2 MS. HAASE: So the business

3 members of -- and do they need to be a resident of  
4 our community or not?

5 MS. PICKARD: Yes.

6 MS. LAMBERTON: I think they  
7 have to have an interest. No, I think they -- I  
8 think if a business owner doesn't live in the  
9 community, they should be able to be part of this  
10 committee as well.

11 MS. PICKARD: I think they  
12 should be a taxpayer.

13 MS. LAMBERTON: And I'm thinking  
14 of Dan -- Dan, like you had a perfect comment,  
15 where you'd be instrumental as a community general  
16 manager. I mean, you could speak for your entire  
17 community, so I don't think we should limit it to  
18 people that reside in the township.

19 MR. HOLAHAN: Well --

20 MS. PICKARD: I disagree. I  
21 think it should be taxpayers.

22 MR. HOLAHAN: Well, I know  
23 you're saying that, but --

24 MS. LAMBERTON: Well, they are  
25 taxpayers if they own the business.

1 MS. PICKARD: Well, then  
2 somebody from Locust Lake's board could be on.

3 MR. HOLAHAN: What we don't want  
4 is everybody that may agree with the group. I  
5 think it needs some dissenting --

6 MS. LAMBERTON: Oh, you need  
7 diversity.

8 MR. HOLAHAN: Right.

9 MS. LAMBERTON: I agree.

10 MR. HOLAHAN: So even though you  
11 might have a person that owns a business within the  
12 township but doesn't reside here, I still want to  
13 know what they think. Whether we move forward with  
14 it --

15 MS. LAMBERTON: 'Cause if they  
16 have businesses -- I'm sorry, I didn't mean to  
17 interrupt you. If they have a business in another  
18 location, they might already have some great ways  
19 of having signage without or with digital.

20 MR. HOLAHAN: Certainly.

21 MR. GEORGE BISHOP: As you  
22 said, they can come to the public meeting too.

23 MS. LAMBERTON: Absolutely,  
24 that's true.

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MS. HAASE: It would be

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1 advertised public meeting, correct.

2 That's correct, Mr. Bishop.

3 MR. PETER TOTA: And advertised  
4 with a digital sign.

5 MS. HAASE: Also, Annie, the  
6 purpose -- what I jotted down was you had --

7 (Audience interruption.)

8 MS. HAASE: You had said bring  
9 ideas of what type of signage the committee would  
10 like to see in the community.

11 MS. LAMBERTON: Yes.

12 MS. HAASE: That's the purpose?

13 MS. LAMBERTON: The purpose is  
14 to draft a sign ordinance.

15 MR. HOLAHAN: It's probably  
16 gonna be more what they don't want to see than what  
17 they want to see, but that's a good list as well.

18 MS. LAMBERTON: Umm-hmm.

19 Fair enough?

20 Yes, sir?

21 MR. GEORGE BISHOP: One of the  
22 gentlemen -- excuse me.

23 George Bishop, Pocono Pines.

24 One of the gentlemen reminded me  
25 of the responsibility that you people have, that if

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1 you sense that there's an outpouring of opposition  
2 to this signage, would you be able to take our  
3 feelings and convey them to the people that want to  
4 put up these electronic signs?

5 MS. LAMBERTON: That's what we  
6 would pass in an ordinance. I'll take it one step  
7 further, we did the same thing with the sewer line  
8 extension. We had an ability to extend a sewer  
9 line, but we wanted to know what the property  
10 owners along that corridor wanted to do. We had a  
11 town hall meeting, we listened to, I would say,  
12 99.9 percent of the folks and there was a  
13 percentage of business owners that wanted the sewer  
14 line, but we listened to the majority. And they  
15 did not want the extension, so we did not -- we did  
16 not make that an issue any longer. So we did  
17 listen to the majority of the people talking.

18 MR. GEORGE BISHOP: I'm not sure  
19 I understand the answer --

20 MS. LAMBERTON: The answer is,  
21 yes, we would listen to the majority of what people  
22 want.

23 MR. GEORGE BISHOP: Right.

24 MS. LAMBERTON: Yes.

25 MR. GEORGE BISHOP: So what's

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1 the point of getting a committee? And I mean, can  
2 you sense that this is what we want now?

3 MS. LAMBERTON: I can sense  
4 what you -- you don't want digital signs, I can  
5 sense that now, but what do you want? Do you want  
6 nice monument signs, do you want people to  
7 advertise on -- what do we do with the billboards  
8 that are standing? Do we put an ordinance to take  
9 -- we can't take them down, what do we do? There's  
10 a lot more to it than just, no, we don't want any  
11 digital signs, I guess is what I'm trying to say.  
12 We're open to all suggestions, Mr. Bishop.

13 MR. HOLAHAN: I'm afraid Mr.

14 Bishop is thinking that they'll be a fair trial  
15 before we hang somebody.

16 MR. GEORGE BISHOP: I don't  
17 want to hang anybody.

18 MS. LAMBERTON: Please, no.  
19 Please, no.

20 Any other comments?

21 MS. WENDI FREEMAN: Just one for  
22 question.

23 MS. LAMBERTON: Yes, Wendi?

24 MS. WENDI FREEMAN: Wendi  
25 Freeman.

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1 So did you say yes, it has to be  
2 a resident?

3 MS. LAMBERTON: I personally do  
4 not feel that it does. For instance, you'd be a  
5 perfect candidate for our committee.

6 MS. WENDI FREEMAN: Well, I do  
7 pay taxes here, so -- I mean, I pay through my  
8 employment here, I pay taxes to Tobyhanna Township  
9 as we stand.

10 MS. LAMBERTON: Oh, there you

11 go. Yeah, you work within the township, you pay  
12 one percent earned income tax, there you have it.

13 MS. WENDI FREEMAN: So you could  
14 -- I just wanted to say that you could get around  
15 it, but --

16 MS. LAMBERTON: No, I like that  
17 comment. I personally think there are people that  
18 do work within communities and you have more  
19 knowledge than a lot of folks do because you've  
20 been around this for a long time. And you have the  
21 -- you hear from your community members more  
22 than -- you know, I mean, that's what you do. So I  
23 don't know. I personally don't think they have to  
24 be residents.

25 MR. DAN DOUGHERTY: We'll be at

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1 the meetings though.

2 MS. LAMBERTON: Okay. That  
3 sounds great.

4 MR. DAN DOUGHERTY: Doesn't  
5 matter, we'll be at the meeting.

6 MS. LAMBERTON: So that could be

7 determined.

8 MS. HAASE: So how would you  
9 like this drafted?

10 MS. LAMBERTON: She's flipped  
11 over like five pages already.

12 MS. HAASE: Will be or will not  
13 be?

14 MS. LAMBERTON: Do we have to  
15 make that a stipulation in it?

16 MS. MINNICK: Or it could just  
17 say the taxpayer in Tobyhanna Township.

18 MS. LAMBERTON: What's the  
19 consensus of the board? Do they have to be  
20 taxpayers in the township?

21 MS. PICKARD: I wanted them to,  
22 but I'm probably the minority here.

23 MS. LAMBERTON: Okay.

24 MALE VOICE: Excuse me?

25 MS. LAMBERTON: Yes?

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1 MALE VOICE: I'm a resident.

2 MS. LAMBERTON: A resident, I'm  
3 sorry.

4 MR. PETER TOTA: What you're  
5 trying to say is that anyone outside the township  
6 can influence what's going on in our township and  
7 --

8 MS. LAMBERTON: No. What I was  
9 saying, there might be someone that owns a business  
10 in the township that does not the reside here,  
11 that's my comment.

12 MR. PETER TOTA: Well, that's  
13 the people that should be here not somebody out of  
14 the township.

15 (Inaudible discussion.)

16 MS. LAMBERTON: That's why that  
17 --

18 MS. PICKARD: I said taxpayer  
19 not resident.

20 THE REPORTER: Excuse me.  
21 Sorry.

22 MR. MOYER: I agree with that.

23 MS. LAMBERTON: Yes, sir?

24 MR. MIKE CUMMARD (phonetic):  
25 Yeah, Mike Cumnard, Lake Naomi.

1                   You said there's a tremendous  
2 response of emails that you received. Can you give  
3 us a ballpark proportion of pros and cons?

4                   MS. LAMBERTON: A hundred  
5 percent --

6                   MR. HOLAHAN: Yeah, a hundred  
7 percent against.

8                   MS. LAMBERTON: -- against.

9                   MR. MIKE CUMMARD: End of  
10 discussion.

11                   MS. LAMBERTON: Yeah. No, it  
12 is. It is for that particular item, but we want to  
13 know what else. I mean, there's more to just that  
14 than an ordinance, so we want to make sure we do it  
15 right. But thank you for that comment, yes.

16                   Okay. So can we agree that it  
17 has to be a person that pays taxes within the  
18 township?

19                   MR. HOLAHAN: Yes.

20                   MR. KERRICK: Yes, I will agree.

21                   MS. LAMBERTON: Fair enough?

22                   MS. PICKARD: Yeah.

23                   MS. LAMBERTON: I like that.

24 See, this is easy.

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You good?

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MS. HAASE: I'm good.

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MS. LAMBERTON: She's almost out

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of paper.

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MS. HAASE: I'm good.

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MS. LAMBERTON: If there's no

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other comments in regards to this, we're gonna move

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on to our next agenda item.

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Seeing none. LERTA. I believe

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we're gonna table that until we --

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MS. PICKARD: Do overlay.

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MS. LAMBERTON: -- get through

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our overlay.

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Do I need to entertain a motion

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to table? Or can I just table and move on?

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Okay. Natural Lands Trust

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Grant, desktop study.

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MS. HAASE: Yes, ma'am. We had

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spoken about this last month and there is not an

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agreement that needs to be signed, but the minutes

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do need to reflect that the board of supervisors

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are requesting assistance for the Blakeslee Village

22 stormwater management analysis. They approved with  
23 the scope of work, that they agree to match the 25  
24 percent that's confirmed at \$3,750 towards the  
25 work. And they will endeavor to complete the

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1 project by December 31, 2016.

2 MS. LAMBERTON: I'll entertain a  
3 motion.

4 MS. PICKARD: I'll entertain  
5 that motion. I'll make that motion.

6 MS. LAMBERTON: I have a motion.  
7 Do I have a second?

8 MR. HOLAHAN: Second.

9 MS. LAMBERTON: I have a motion  
10 and a second.

11 Questions or comments from the  
12 board?

13 MR. KERRICK: Could I have a  
14 detail, what actually they're going to do?

15 MS. LAMBERTON: It was --

16 MR. KERRICK: Is it just a  
17 comprehensive study or they're gonna look at the

18 land use that's proposed now?

19 MS. PICKARD: No, they're  
20 looking at the soil.

21 MS. HAASE: No, yes.

22 MR. KERRICK: They're looking at  
23 the soil?

24 MS. LAMBERTON: And the use.

25 MR. KERRICK: I mean, I -- I

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1 agree with the concept --

2 MS. LAMBERTON: Right.

3 MR. KERRICK: -- I just was  
4 curious if -- what actually they were going to do.

5 MS. HAASE: What was presented  
6 to the committee was to look into having almost  
7 like a regional drainage plan --

8 MR. KERRICK: I agree with  
9 that.

10 MS. HAASE: -- for lack of a  
11 better word.

12 MS. LAMBERTON: Right.

13 MS. HAASE: So this study would  
14 solely just be desktop. They're not really going

15 out studying the soils, going on the property.  
16 They're really looking at all the information  
17 that's provided to them through the MCCD, anything  
18 the township can provide, anything that they can  
19 view that's already been created, and to come back  
20 with a cost that would pertain to this project to  
21 do a regional -- a regional permit.

22 MS. LAMBERTON: Isn't there data  
23 on soil types?

24 MS. HAASE: There is some.

25 MS. LAMBERTON: So it would

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1 include? It would have to, for stormwater.

2 MS. HAASE: They will need to  
3 go out and do further testing --

4 MS. LAMBERTON: Okay.

5 MS. HAASE: -- but that is  
6 another stage of this.

7 MS. LAMBERTON: I've got a  
8 motion and a second.

9 Any other questions or comments  
10 from the board?

11 Any questions or comments from  
12 the public?

13 Seeing none. Call the vote.  
14 John?

15 MR. KERRICK: In favor.

16 MS. LAMBERTON: Heidi?

17 MS. PICKARD: Vote in favor.

18 MS. LAMBERTON: John?

19 MR. HOLAHAN: Yes.

20 MS. LAMBERTON: Donny?

21 MR. MOYER: I vote in favor.

22 MS. LAMBERTON: I vote in  
23 favor. Motion carries.

24 You good?

25 MS. HAASE: I'm good.

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1 MS. LAMBERTON: New business.  
2 Consider approving certificate of developer and  
3 request for Payment No. 15 for the Kalahari Resorts  
4 Sewer Account in the amount of \$51,921.54.

5 MR. REISS: If I may, I've  
6 spoken with Kalahari's attorney actually on my way  
7 up here tonight. There's one item that T&M, the

8 engineers that are assisting the township on this  
9 project, that on the punch list that still is not  
10 resolved. It's regarding restoration of the Decker  
11 property. I think there's an outstanding agreement  
12 that has to be prepared, agreed to, signed.

13                   Tonight if you approve this  
14 motion, I would ask that it be conditional upon  
15 resolution to my satisfaction of that one last  
16 remaining punch list item. That way if it's done  
17 by Friday, I can tell Phyllis to release the funds  
18 without having to come back to another meeting.

19                   MR. HOLAHAN: I'm okay with  
20 that. So with that said, do I make a motion to go  
21 ahead and release that from the sewer account for  
22 fifty-one nine twenty-one fifty-four conditional  
23 upon our solicitor approving of the resolution of  
24 the conditions?

25                   MR. REISS: The Decker

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1 restoration.

2                   MR. HOLAHAN: Yep.

3                   MR. KERRICK: I'll second it.

4 MS. LAMBERTON: I have a motion  
5 and a second.  
6 Any questions or comments from  
7 the board?  
8 MS. PICKARD: That would be on  
9 T&M's approval of that too?  
10 MR. REISS: Well, T&M has to  
11 first sign off on it --  
12 MS. PICKARD: Okay.  
13 MR. REISS: -- to me.  
14 MS. PICKARD: Got it.  
15 MS. LAMBERTON: Any other  
16 questions or comments from the board?  
17 Questions or comments from the  
18 public?  
19 Seeing none. Call the vote.  
20 John?  
21 MR. KERRICK: In favor.  
22 MS. LAMBERTON: Heidi?  
23 MS. PICKARD: I vote in favor.  
24 MS. LAMBERTON: John?  
25 MR. HOLAHAN: Aye.

1 MS. LAMBERTON: Donny?  
2 MR. MOYER: I vote in favor.  
3 MS. LAMBERTON: And I'll  
4 abstain.  
5 MS. HAASE: I apologize. Who  
6 second that motion?  
7 MS. LAMBERTON: I think it was  
8 John Kerrick?  
9 MR. KERRICK: John Holahan and  
10 John Kerrick.  
11 MS. HAASE: Thank you.  
12 MS. LAMBERTON: I'll entertain a  
13 motion considering approving the certificate of  
14 developer and request for Payment No. 14 for the  
15 Kalahari Resorts Access Road Account in the amount  
16 of \$30,933.09.  
17 MS. HAASE: Yes, ma'am. I did  
18 receive notification from T&M today, they did  
19 approve that amount. I am prepared to sign off as  
20 soon as the board agrees.  
21 MS. LAMBERTON: I'll entertain  
22 a motion.  
23 MR. MOYER: So moved.  
24 MR. KERRICK: Second.  
25 MS. LAMBERTON: I have a motion

1 and second.

2 Any questions or comments from  
3 the board?

4 Questions or comments from the  
5 public?

6 Seeing none. Call the vote.  
7 John?

8 MR. KERRICK: In favor.

9 MS. LAMBERTON: Heidi?

10 MS. PICKARD: I vote in favor.

11 MS. LAMBERTON: John?

12 MR. HOLAHAN: Aye.

13 MS. LAMBERTON: Donny?

14 MR. MOYER: I'll vote in favor.

15 MS. LAMBERTON: I'll abstain.

16 Motion carries.

17 MS. HAASE: And just also to  
18 mention to the board, this will now zero out that  
19 secured account with the TIF Fund. So the access  
20 road will be zeroed out.

21 MS. LAMBERTON: Thank you.

22 Moving on. Banking proposals.

23 MS. HAASE: Yes. As I  
24 mentioned in one of my updates to the board, we've  
25 recently had some meetings with some banking

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1 institutions after receiving notification from  
2 Landmark that they're going to be reducing the  
3 interest rate on all of our accounts. And there's  
4 a few that they're gonna slightly increase, but  
5 it's not gonna balance out. And also Landmark has  
6 stopped reviewing checks that require two  
7 signatures. So they would no longer be responsible  
8 for reviewing that prior to them being submitted.

9 MS. LAMBERTON: Yeah, I can't  
10 think of many banks now that look at more than one  
11 signature.

12 MS. PICKARD: ESSA does.

13 MS. HAASE: Well, ESSA does,  
14 we've confirmed that. So an analysis was provided  
15 through Landmark, ESSA, PLGIT for the interest  
16 rates. And if we go by what was being proposed by  
17 the new entities, as well as Landmark, there --  
18 there is a difference in the interest rate that we

19 would receive. Off of the balance that's in our  
20 accounts right now, Landmark would be providing an  
21 interest for the year of \$9,428 versus ESSA, was  
22 the higher, at 12,163.26 as an estimate.

23 MS. LAMBERTON: Did anyone  
24 contact Landmark and ask them if they would meet  
25 what the others are providing?

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1 MS. PICKARD: We contacted them  
2 and that's what they did.

3 MS. HAASE: Yes.

4 MS. LAMBERTON: They lowered  
5 them?

6 MS. PICKARD: They're not really  
7 -- yeah.

8 MR. HOLAHAN: That was the  
9 negotiation.

10 MS. PICKARD: Yeah, that was  
11 negotiation.

12 MS. HAASE: They actually --

13 MS. LAMBERTON: I was just --

14 MS. HAASE: -- to meet with us.

15 MS. LAMBERTON: Okay. Just a  
16 question.

17 MS. PICKARD: I think they don't  
18 want to be in the government banking business  
19 anymore, frankly. They -- they did not replace  
20 their government banking position.

21 MS. LAMBERTON: Just a question.

22 MR. HOLAHAN: So do we need to  
23 do anything here?

24 MS. PICKARD: Well, I think we  
25 wanted approval to move our major accounts to ESSA.

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1 MR. HOLAHAN: I'll make that  
2 motion.

3 MS. PICKARD: That being said,  
4 I just wanted to say that some things like the  
5 sewer account where we have a lot of things tied in  
6 with credit cards that we're gonna be winding down  
7 anyway --

8 MS. LAMBERTON: Leave it alone.

9 MS. PICKARD: -- we would leave  
10 it alone.

11 MR. HOLAHAN: Okay.

12 MS. LAMBERTON: I've got a  
13 motion on the floor, table.

14 Do I have a second?

15 MS. PICKARD: I'll second the  
16 motion.

17 MS. LAMBERTON: I have a motion  
18 and a second.

19 Any questions or comments from  
20 the board?

21 MR. HOLAHAN: Okay. So we're  
22 gonna move everything except the --

23 MS. LAMBERTON: Sewer.

24 MR. HOLAHAN: -- sewer  
25 operating?

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1 MS. PICKARD: Well, we still  
2 have investment accounts at PLGIT and we still have  
3 CDs in Morgan Stanley --

4 MR. HOLAHAN: Gotcha.

5 MS. PICKARD: -- and in PLGIT,  
6 but this is for our major --

7 MR. HOLAHAN: For the funds that

8 we're looking at here.

9 MS. PICKARD: For the bank

10 account.

11 MR. HOLAHAN: Okay.

12 MS. PICKARD: But, yeah.

13 MR. HOLAHAN: Yeah, I'm good.

14 MS. LAMBERTON: Any questions

15 or comments from the board?

16 Questions or comments from the

17 public? Any bankers?

18 Seeing none. Call the vote.

19 John?

20 MR. KERRICK: Abstain.

21 MS. LAMBERTON: Heidi?

22 MS. PICKARD: I vote in favor.

23 MS. LAMBERTON: John?

24 MR. HOLAHAN: Aye.

25 MS. LAMBERTON: Donny?

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1 MR. MOYER: I vote in favor.

2 MS. LAMBERTON: I vote in

3 favor. Motion carries.

4 Moving on. Alternate engineer.

5 MS. HAASE: Yes, ma'am. It was  
6 brought to the board's attention that Mr. Jim  
7 Hendricks recently resigned from RETTEW. And I had  
8 some discussion with some of the members, the board  
9 was asked to place it on the agenda.

10 RETTEW was appointed at the  
11 reorganizational meeting at a rate of \$130 per  
12 hour. T&M is also -- has also been working with us  
13 reviewing the Kalahari project and the inspections.  
14 The other concern I had was, Pocono Township has  
15 recently released T&M from their duties,  
16 engineering. And I received a phone call from  
17 Pocono Township wanting to know the status of the  
18 Kalahari project and whether or not we still wanted  
19 to retain T&M. I did ask them to continue with T&M  
20 in fairness with Kalahari, because it would cost  
21 them so much to bring the new engineering team up  
22 to speed and we're so close to the end.

23 I've had multiple conversations.  
24 The last one, the commissioners have agreed to  
25 retain T&M for this project. So it's not that big

1 of a concern as I had when I asked to place this on  
2 the agenda, but there is a difference of a rate  
3 RETTEW is 130 an hour and T&M is 108. We certainly  
4 hope that we don't need to use on outside  
5 engineering firm too frequently, but I did want to  
6 bring that to the board's --

7 MS. PICKARD: What was the  
8 rates?

9 MS. HAASE: For RETTEW is 130 an  
10 hour and T&M is 108 an hour.

11 MS. LAMBERTON: I think we  
12 should --

13 MS. PICKARD: 180?

14 MS. LAMBERTON: 8, 1-0-8.  
15 1-0-8.

16 MS. PICKARD: I'm sorry, I  
17 couldn't hear.

18 MS. LAMBERTON: Well, I think --  
19 I don't know, my opinion is well, we -- we  
20 appointed them at the beginning of the year, we're  
21 in June. I mean, we could look at this January and  
22 put an RFP out and see what else we get.

23 MS. PICKARD: So leave RETTEW  
24 in?

25 MS. LAMBERTON: That would be

1 my opinion.

2 MS. HAASE: So if it -- it  
3 pleases the board, then I'll put an RFP out, say,  
4 in November, end of October, November of next year  
5 for your (inaudible).

6 MS. LAMBERTON: Right. We'll  
7 just make sure Bob does all the work since he's not  
8 on committees.

9 MS. PICKARD: So we don't need  
10 to re -- reiterate that we want to keep T&M in case  
11 Pocono changes their mind for the Kalahari project,  
12 if they pulled out, that we would still have them?

13 MS. HAASE: I have asked Pocono  
14 Township if you'd like me to send something on  
15 behalf of the board, I certainly can do that.

16 MS. PICKARD: I'm just --

17 MS. LAMBERTON: I -- I think  
18 you could just let us know if there's any question.

19 MS. PICKARD: Okay.

20 MS. HAASE: Okay.

21 MS. LAMBERTON: Let the  
22 sleeping dog lie.

23 MS. HAASE: I agree.

24 MS. LAMBERTON: Discussion  
25 related to Religious Land Use and Institutionalized

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1 Persona Act, acronym R-L-U-I-P-A.

2 MS. HAASE: Yes.

3 MS. LAMBERTON: RLUIPY  
4 (phonetic).

5 MS. HAASE: RLUIPA. In PSATS  
6 this was another session that I attended. And upon  
7 returning, it was -- we had a case that kind of  
8 spoke to this. We have a church that is interested  
9 in going into a strip mall. And our ordinance does  
10 not allow places of worship in a commercial  
11 district. According to RLUIPA, if you're allowing  
12 for public gatherings for other types of uses, say,  
13 a theatre or public event, gathering event, it's  
14 very difficult to say then the church cannot do  
15 that.

16 MS. LAMBERTON: And it's in our  
17 ordinance that way?

18 MS. HAASE: Yes, ma'am. And

19 many, many ordinances in the state is like that.  
20 So I wanted to bring that to the board's attention.  
21 I did speak to Mr. Reiss on that because we had a  
22 church that was interested to see if there's a way  
23 we could move forward with that. The only way at  
24 this particular time they could go into the  
25 commercial district would be to grant -- receive

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1 relief from the zoning hearing board.

2 But I did want the board to  
3 recognize that this something we should look at and  
4 perhaps amend our ordinance.

5 MS. LAMBERTON: Couldn't we  
6 just amend that ordinance now?

7 MS. HAASE: We have to  
8 advertise it.

9 MS. LAMBERTON: No, I understand  
10 that, but we --

11 MR. REISS: It has to go to the  
12 planning commission.

13 MS. LAMBERTON: Okay.

14 MR. HOLAHAN: Or you can form a  
15 committee.

16 MS. LAMBERTON: We'll throw  
17 that in with the sign ordinance.

18 MS. HAASE: Would you like me  
19 to address this and submit a draft to the board --

20 MS. LAMBERTON: Yes.

21 MS. HAASE: -- and then if  
22 you're in agreement, then move it to the planning  
23 commission --

24 MS. LAMBERTON: Sure.

25 MS. HAASE: -- Tobyhanna

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1 Township --

2 MS. LAMBERTON: I'm fine with  
3 that, how's the rest of the board?

4 MR. HOLAHAN: Yes.

5 MS. PICKARD: I don't know, are  
6 we gonna look at the other ordinances so we could  
7 just --

8 MS. LAMBERTON: No, we're gonna  
9 do one at a time. That was a joke.

10 MR. HOLAHAN: That shouldn't  
11 take long.

12 MS. PICKARD: I know, but we  
13 already have that other ordinance with all the uses  
14 and then if we wanted to bring that back up --

15 MS. HAASE: Well, that still  
16 did not change this requirement, it still was  
17 prohibited --

18 MS. PICKARD: Well, we could  
19 change it in the new ordinance --

20 MS. HAASE: -- in a commercial  
21 district.

22 MS. PICKARD: -- while we're  
23 changing and updating everything.

24 MS. LAMBERTON: I think we need  
25 to make this one right.

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1 What's -- is -- is that okay?

2 Is that consensus of the board? JK?

3 MR. KERRICK: I'm fine.

4 MS. LAMBERTON: Heidi?

5 MS. PICKARD: I want to just get  
6 them all done.

7 MS. LAMBERTON: I understand,  
8 but are you okay with taking care of this in case a

9 church comes in?

10 MS. PICKARD: I just think it's  
11 a waste of time, money in advertising and hearings  
12 and stenographers, but --

13 MS. LAMBERTON: How does  
14 everybody else feel?

15 MR. HOLAHAN: Well, now that  
16 she said that --

17 MS. LAMBERTON: We're good.  
18 Okay. Discussion related to Greenleaf Drive  
19 complaint.

20 MS. HAASE: Yes. I wanted to  
21 discuss this again with the board because there was  
22 some difference of opinion of what the board had --  
23 the direction the board wanted to go the last  
24 meeting. I did review the minutes. And with  
25 regards to the Greenleaf complaint, it was stated

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1 that Emerald Lakes would seek a highway occupancy  
2 permit and at that particular point once granted,  
3 that we replace the signs.

4 I know Mr. Kerrick had a

5 different view on that. In fairness to Emerald  
6 Lakes, they're spending a tremendous amount of  
7 money to move forward with an HOP. And it's not  
8 the intent of the board -- we wanted to inform them  
9 of that.

10 MS. LAMBERTON: It's still there  
11 --

12 MR. KERRICK: They still have to  
13 do an HOP, Phyllis. My question is Lake Naomi  
14 wanted to put signs up, we made them hold us  
15 harmless. There's a lot more things to it than  
16 just throwing two signs up.

17 MS. HAASE: No, I understand  
18 that. Mr. McHale's here --

19 MR. KERRICK: And Bob agreed  
20 with me when we talked about it. We were gonna  
21 hold off and see if they wanted to put it up with  
22 the -- or had to do it with their HOP. So I don't  
23 know where--

24 MS. LAMBERTON: As part of their  
25 --

1 MR. KERRICK: We shouldn't be

2 involved in it at all at this point.

3 MS. LAMBERTON: I have to agree  
4 with John. I think --

5 Wasn't that a liability issue  
6 to --

7 MR. KERRICK: Absolutely.

8 MS. LAMBERTON: -- replace the  
9 sign --

10 MR. MOYER: That's all he said.

11 MS. LAMBERTON: -- and we're  
12 responsible? So I would suggest that they place  
13 the sign along with their HOP work.

14 MR. KERRICK: Well, they may  
15 have to -- they may be required to --

16 MS. LAMBERTON: Right. You  
17 would think so.

18 MR. KERRICK: -- do it, that's  
19 what I'm saying.

20 MS. HAASE: Well, the  
21 discussion Mr. McHale and I had --

22 Bob, you can jump in on this.

23 -- is they may restrict the  
24 access as just right turn out or right turn in,  
25 period, and no left turn. But we're not clear that

1 PennDOT will require the signage.

2 Am I speaking correctly?

3 MR. McHALE: They should apply  
4 for an HOP because currently that road, Greenleaf  
5 Drive, does not have a highway permit for access.  
6 So during that process, PennDOT will stipulate  
7 anything they wish to stipulate or reconfigure the  
8 driveway, but they'll check sight distances and  
9 they'll check all those items.

10 As far as this particular sign  
11 use that we're speaking to, that's done by the  
12 municipality as we were talking about, but it's  
13 better to wait until PennDOT issues an HOP and then  
14 if it's still valid to put them in, then we can  
15 proceed to put them in. But at this point, to put  
16 them in now, somebody has an accident, they turn to  
17 you and say, well, it's because of these signs and  
18 they didn't have a legitimate access according to  
19 PennDOT.

20 MR. KERRICK: Well, we -- we  
21 have to get permission from PennDOT to put them up  
22 anyway.

23 MR. McHALE: Yes. We have to  
24 write a letter to them, say that we'll maintain  
25 them in perpetuity and that we'll take care of the

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1 cost and --

2 MR. KERRICK: And -- and in  
3 Lake Naomi's case, they took care of that.

4 MS. HAASE: So this is  
5 something the board is still interested in pursuing  
6 if in fact PennDOT does not require they put the  
7 signs up? That's the only direction we're trying  
8 to get.

9 MR. KERRICK: I say we'll review  
10 it when that time comes.

11 MR. MOYER: When it comes, yeah,  
12 when the HOP is done with.

13 MS. LAMBERTON: We're gonna  
14 leave that answer open.

15 MS. HAASE: I'll let them know.  
16 Thank you.

17 MS. LAMBERTON: Um-hmm.  
18 Discussion related to the Sullivan Trail compliant.  
19 I had received an email from a woman for the

20 property that's at the corner of the -- at the  
21 corner where you turn into the back entrance off of  
22 Sullivan Trail into Pocono Mountain High School,  
23 Pocono Mountain West. There's a home, I don't even  
24 know -- I think my question was, A, who is the  
25 rightful owner? And B, what are our rights as a

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1 township if a property has, I don't know how many,  
2 bags of garbage dumped there, appliances,  
3 refrigerators --

4 Yes, Joey?

5 MR. JOSEPH COLYER: If you call  
6 the waste -- the Waste Authority, they'll clean  
7 that stuff up.

8 MS. LAMBERTON: Actually they  
9 were mentioned in the email and Jim Lambert said he  
10 was unallow -- unable legally to enter someone's  
11 property without their permission, 'cause that was  
12 a question I had. It ended up, I think, that the  
13 church -- the church down the road cleaned up the  
14 property because the parishioners were going back  
15 and forth looking at this and once an area starts

16 collecting garbage, it seems to be a magnet for  
17 other people going by and I mean, it was pretty  
18 bad, it was pretty unsightly.

19 MS. HAASE: I can update you,  
20 if you'd like.

21 MS. LAMBERTON: Yes, please.

22 MS. HAASE: The township's been  
23 working on this for over a year so there's been --  
24 correspondence been circulating back and forth.  
25 You are correct with the fact that the township

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1 cannot go on the property to remove items nor can  
2 the county without a court order. The property  
3 recently was sold on May 18 at the judicial sale in  
4 the amount of \$443.52. So there is a new owner,  
5 the property has been cleaned up as much as we can  
6 see from the back. Maureen cannot access the back  
7 of the property, she cannot trespass.

8 So from what we can see from the  
9 road, the property has been cleaned up. It's been  
10 a concern from some complainants that they actually  
11 would like the building demolished as well, so --

12 MS. LAMBERTON: Who's the new

13 owner?

14 MS. HAASE: It is a company from  
15 Paramus, New Jersey.

16 MS. LAMBERTON: Have we  
17 contacted them?

18 MS. HAASE: Well, the property  
19 has been cleaned up.

20 MS. LAMBERTON: I understand  
21 that, but have we contacted them at all?

22 MS. HAASE: For?

23 MS. LAMBERTON: I would say  
24 there's -- there's more garbage being thrown there  
25 now. So it's a continuous --

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1 MR. MOYER: And to get a look at  
2 the back.

3 MS. HAASE: Yeah. I mean,  
4 Maureen could contact them --

5 MS. LAMBERTON: I would suggest  
6 that.

7 MS. HAASE: The last time you  
8 were out there, I believe it was cleaned up.

9 MS. MINNICK: Yeah.

10 MS. LAMBERTON: It's -- it's  
11 accumulating more.

12 MS. MINNICK: Again?

13 MS. LAMBERTON: Yeah. Just to  
14 touch base, the owners knew, I think it's courteous  
15 to reach out as a township and say, hey, what are  
16 your intentions? You know, just so they're aware  
17 that it was an issue. And, you know, if the  
18 property is abused like that --

19 MS. PICKARD: Waste Management  
20 can also cite them again if it starts up again.

21 MS. LAMBERTON: Well, I'd rather  
22 contact them friendly before we go and cite  
23 anybody.

24 So if you would please, that  
25 would be great. Thank you.

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1 Moving on. Kalahari Resorts  
2 fireworks display permit for July 2, 3 and 4, it's  
3 already here. It's crazy.

4 I'll entertain a motion.

5 MR. MOYER: So moved.

6 MR. HOLAHAN: Second.  
7 MS. LAMBERTON: I have a motion  
8 and a second.  
9 Any questions or comments from  
10 the board?  
11 Questions or comments from the  
12 public?  
13 They're dropping like flies.  
14 Seeing none. Call the vote.  
15 John?  
16 MR. KERRICK: In favor.  
17 MS. LAMBERTON: Heidi?  
18 MS. PICKARD: I vote in favor.  
19 MS. LAMBERTON: John?  
20 MR. HOLAHAN: Aye.  
21 MS. LAMBERTON: Donny?  
22 MR. MOYER: I'll vote in favor.  
23 MS. LAMBERTON: I'll abstain.  
24 Motion carries.  
25 Lake Naomi fireworks display

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1 permit for September 3. I'll entertain a motion.

2 MR. MOYER: So moved.

3 MS. PICKARD: Second.

4 MR. KERRICK: Second.

5 MS. LAMBERTON: Motion and a  
6 second and a second.

7 Any questions or comments from  
8 the board?

9 Questions or comments from the  
10 public?

11 MS. WENDI FREEMAN: Thank you.

12 MS. LAMBERTON: Seeing none.  
13 Call the vote.

14 John?

15 MR. KERRICK: In favor.

16 MS. LAMBERTON: Heidi?

17 MS. PICKARD: Favor.

18 MS. LAMBERTON: John?

19 MR. HOLAHAN: Aye.

20 MS. LAMBERTON: Donny?

21 MR. MOYER: I'll vote in favor.

22 MS. LAMBERTON: I vote in  
23 favor. Motion carries.

24 I'll entertain a motion to  
25 approve the release of the Pocono Pines Dollar

1 General, LLC's surety bond in the amount of  
2 \$376,140.70.

3 MR. MOYER: Are there any  
4 issues?

5 MS. HAASE: No, sir.

6 MR. MOYER: I'll make that  
7 motion.

8 MS. LAMBERTON: I have a motion

9 MR. HOLAHAN: Second.

10 MS. LAMBERTON: I have a motion  
11 and a second.

12 Any questions or comments from  
13 the board?

14 Questions or comments from the  
15 public?

16 Seeing none. Call the vote.

17 John?

18 MR. KERRICK: In favor.

19 MS. LAMBERTON: Heidi?

20 MS. PICKARD: I vote in favor.

21 MS. LAMBERTON: John?

22 MR. HOLAHAN: Aye.

23 MS. LAMBERTON: Donny?

24 MR. MOYER: I vote in favor.

25 MS. LAMBERTON: I vote in favor.

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1 Motion carries.

2 MS. LAMBERTON: Moving on.

3 Board of supervisors reports or comments. Anyone  
4 have anything to say?

5 MR. HOLAHAN: Yes.

6 (Inaudible comments.)

7 MR. HOLAHAN: I'm concerned  
8 that we haven't been clear with our sign ordinances  
9 that are already in place that need to be enforced  
10 now. And I'd like to -- I'd like to see the signs  
11 that out front of several of the businesses that  
12 aren't supposed to be there removed, people cited,  
13 let them know we're serious about this.

14 So does that require board  
15 action or I could just make a statement?

16 MS. LAMBERTON: I'm sorry, I was  
17 not listening, I apologize.

18 MR. HOLAHAN: Neither was  
19 anybody else.

20 MS. LAMBERTON: I try to listen  
21 as much -- I'm sorry, John, what was that?

22 MR. HOLAHAN: Okay. Motion  
23 passed. But I guess it's not really board action  
24 if we take in -- in asking our zoning officer to --  
25 not asking for specific things, only in -- to

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1 enforce our ordinances. Do that as board action or  
2 just make a statement? I'm not sure how to get  
3 involved in that.

4 MR. MOYER: Yeah, I don't know.  
5 Jonathan --

6 MR. KERRICK: I don't think we  
7 ever said to not enforce them.

8 MR. HOLAHAN: I know, but I --  
9 but --

10 MR. KERRICK: We're not  
11 supposed to tell her what to do -- our zoning  
12 officer what to do.

13 MR. HOLAHAN: I asked her to  
14 get me coffee earlier and she didn't do it.

15 MS. LAMBERTON: Okay. So what  
16 we -- what are -- what are we asking?

17 MS. PICKARD: Her to enforce the  
18 sign ordinance as it is written.

19 MR. REISS: I think -- I hope  
20 that's what she's doing now.

21 MR. HOLAHAN: Okay. So could I  
22 just be emphatic?

23 MS. PICKARD: All right. Well,  
24 I just, on -- on that note, we talked about the  
25 maintenance of the signs. And there's certainly

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1 signs that have been run over from the winter and  
2 there are signs that are deteriorated; and  
3 maintenancewise, I don't think that's anything that  
4 we really focused on.

5 MS. HAASE: We do have a  
6 section in the ordinance that speaks to that. And  
7 actually Maureen and I were just recently  
8 discussing that.

9 MR. HOLAHAN: Okay. Good. I'm  
10 happy.

11 MS. LAMBERTON: Anything else  
12 from the board?

13 MR. KERRICK: Can we discuss  
14 the letter we got from the fire company?

15 MS. LAMBERTON: I just was  
16 handed the letter, I apologize. I must not have  
17 seen that.

18 MR. KERRICK: I saw that  
19 earlier.

20 MS. LAMBERTON: We have a  
21 letter from the Tobyhanna Township Volunteer --  
22 Volunteer Fire Company, Chief Troy Counterman. It  
23 says: The Thornhurst Volunteer Company and  
24 Tobyhanna Township Volunteer Fire Company want to  
25 do a joint project to install a dry hydrant in the

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1 area where PennDOT is replacing the bridge on  
2 Locust Ridge Road. We are asking if Tobyhanna  
3 Township would be the permit applicant for this  
4 project because there is no permit fee if a  
5 municipality is applying.

6 If the fire company applies for  
7 the permit, there is a \$2,000 application fee.  
8 Yeah, right? It's a fire company. Thornhurst has  
9 a member who is a certified engineer and is willing

10 to do the work to put together the permit packet  
11 for the township. If you do agree to apply for the  
12 permit, the township would be the owner of the  
13 hydrant and an easement agreement would have to be  
14 done between Arrowhead Lakes Association and  
15 Tobyhanna Township, which would incur some legal  
16 costs.

17 If you are interested in doing  
18 this, we are also asking for a donation of \$868 for  
19 the parts and \$500 if an ENS permit is required.  
20 And the fire companies would supply the equipment  
21 and labor to do the installation. We would like to  
22 present this at your meeting on June 13. If time  
23 doesn't allow, blah, blah, blah.

24 What's the pleasure of the  
25 board?

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1 MR. KERRICK: Can I ask Troy a  
2 question?

3 Do you use the dry hydrants we  
4 have now? I know we had some issues back in the  
5 day.

6 MR. TROY COUNTERMAN: Some we  
7 do, some we do.

8 MS. LAMBERTON: How many do we  
9 have?

10 MR. KERRICK: Seven.

11 MR. TROY COUNTERMAN: We don't  
12 have any, communities have --

13 MS. LAMBERTON: Oh, they're not  
14 designated --

15 MR. TROY COUNTERMAN: We don't  
16 own anything. If this project were to go through,  
17 we would own them now or you guys would own them.

18 MS. LAMBERTON: How many would  
19 you say are throughout our township?

20 MR. KERRICK: Twelve.

21 MS. LAMBERTON: I'm sorry,  
22 three?

23 MR. TROY COUNTERMAN: There's  
24 three in Lake Naomi.

25 MS. WENDI FREEMAN: We have

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1 three in Lake Naomi alone.

2 MS. LAMBERTON: Oh, and you own

3 them?

4 MR. TROY COUNTERMAN: We have  
5 one in Timber Trails.

6 MR. KERRICK: Emerald Lakes has  
7 a couple.

8 MR. TROY COUNTERMAN: Two or  
9 three in --

10 MS. LAMBERTON: Oh, so a lot of  
11 the communities have their own? Oh, okay.

12 I didn't know, Troy, I was just  
13 asking.

14 MR. TROY COUNTERMAN: Davie  
15 McFadden, the chief of Thornhurst, contacted me  
16 last week to try to maybe possibly get this done as  
17 they're doing the bridge project. Ed and I spoke  
18 about it, Ed's our president. It's probably not  
19 gonna fly, but we wanted to present it anyway to  
20 see possibly it may. We understand that there's  
21 gonna be a lot of legal stuff on the backside of  
22 this that may not inhibit it.

23 MR. HOLAHAN: But is this  
24 something we should be doing?

25 MR. TROY COUNTERMAN: We could

1 use it on the Locust Ridge Road side, it would --  
2 we wouldn't have to go into the development. On  
3 the Orono side, we had a couple house fires in  
4 there. We had to travel a long way to get to the  
5 other dry hydrant, that one would've worked.

6 MR. KERRICK: They never put one  
7 at the main entrance at that dam, that they  
8 supposed to put one there years ago?

9 MR. ED TUTRONE: It's at the --  
10 it's at the beach there, it's not outside the  
11 entrance.

12 MS. LAMBERTON: Oh, you mean at  
13 Arrowhead?

14 MR. MOYER: Yeah.

15 MR. KERRICK: There is one at  
16 the beach, though, each one?

17 MR. ED TUTRONE: Yeah.

18 MR. KERRICK: I think it's a  
19 good idea for the residents.

20 MR. ED TUTRONE: I -- I spoke  
21 with Bob McHale briefly on this when Troy had  
22 called me and we looked up the -- Bob looked up the  
23 permit that we would need to do and it's 102 pages,

24 I think. So that being said --

25 MR. KERRICK: Is that why you

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1 asked -- got off the other committee, you're gonna  
2 do this, Bob?

3 MR. ED TUTRONE: There's an  
4 engineer that works -- or that's on the Thornhurst  
5 Fire Company and that's why I apologize for the  
6 letter for sending to you last minute, 'cause I  
7 just found out that he was willing to do it.

8 MS. LAMBERTON: I just saw  
9 this, I'm sorry.

10 MR. ED TUTRONE: So, yeah, I  
11 just -- I actually just gave it to Phyllis this  
12 morning. So -- 'cause I just found out about him  
13 being willing to do it. But there is some other  
14 expenses that will be incurred. We will be  
15 responsible as a township for the maintenance on  
16 that, we will be responsible to get an easement  
17 with Arrowhead. And from what Dave McFadden said,  
18 that it will -- that he's talked to Arrowhead and  
19 they don't have a problem giving us an easement for  
20 it, so they'll be some legal fees incurred with

21 that.

22 And then we're not sure what  
23 else DEP or whoever regulates that would throw at  
24 us. So they were hoping to get it done with the  
25 bridge project. I can't see it happening anyway,

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1 because all those permits are in place now, and  
2 they would have to amend them, like Bob was saying.  
3 So this would be something that would have to be  
4 put in after the bridge work is done.

5 MR. HOLAHAN: What kind of  
6 maintenance is required on those?

7 MR. MOYER: Yeah, and liability.

8 MR. ED TUTRONE: There's really  
9 not much maintenance. We as a fire company usually  
10 go around in the springtime and blow them all out,  
11 backwash them.

12 MS. LAMBERTON: Oh, you do them  
13 on the private ones that other communities own?

14 MR. ED TUTRONE: Yes. Yeah, we  
15 usually go out to each development and we'll go in  
16 and we'll flush them all out on a drill night.

17 MR. HOLAHAN: I still don't see  
18 a downside to this. If this would make things a  
19 little more accessible and help protect Arrowhead  
20 Lakes better --

21 MS. LAMBERTON: And all the  
22 other residents.

23 MR. ED TUTRONE: Mine and Troy's  
24 discussion was that if -- and along with Bob, as  
25 long as Thornhurst's engineer is willing to do the

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1 work for us, because this is an extensive permit  
2 application due to the quality of the stream. To  
3 put a six inch pipe, you would not believe what we  
4 -- what it has to go through. So as long as  
5 they're willing to do that leg work, you know, we  
6 don't have an issue on -- on our fire company end  
7 and even paying, if you guys wouldn't want to  
8 donate for the parts, we would split the cost with  
9 Thornhurst, but --

10 MS. LAMBERTON: That was my next  
11 question, Thornhurst will utilize this as well, I'm  
12 assuming?

13 MR. ED TUTRONE: Yes. We're a

14 dual response, when it comes to Arrowhead Lakes,  
15 for Tobyhanna and Coolbaugh Township.

16 MS. LAMBERTON: Would they be  
17 willing -- would they be willing to help us with  
18 maybe maintenance fees or something?

19 MR. ED TUTRONE: Well, actually  
20 Dave McFadden is willing to bring his equipment in,  
21 he has a excavator. To bring his equipment in, to  
22 put the hydrant in.

23 MR. McHALE: There's also  
24 another fee, I know Troy and Ed looked into this,  
25 and that \$2,000 fee is for that Chapter 105 water

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1 obstruction and encroachment permit for small  
2 projects. There's also gonna be an ENS plan  
3 required for another 450, so you're gonna -- the  
4 volunteer fire companies will save a good amount on  
5 the application fees, but the township will incur  
6 some costs related to easements, which is gonna  
7 work out good for everybody to let them do it the  
8 way they're speaking to.

9 MR. ED TUTRONE: This is all --

10 when I spoke with Dave, this is all contingent on  
11 their engineer doing all this application work.  
12 And our township's paying --

13 MS. LAMBERTON: Good  
14 contribution.

15 MR. ED TUTRONE: -- for our  
16 township to sign off on, if they do.

17 MS. LAMBERTON: Okay.

18 MR. MOYER: But it won't  
19 actually be in our township, right?

20 MS. LAMBERTON: It is in our  
21 township.

22 MR. ED TUTRONE: Yeah, it is in  
23 our township.

24 MS. LAMBERTON: Yes, Mr. Tota.

25 MR. PETER TOTA: You could

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1 actually hook up to the pipe -- okay. Anything  
2 where you can take a hose or a flotation and throw  
3 it in?

4 MR. ED TUTRONE: Not in the that  
5 area. Not in that area they --

6 MR. PETER TOTA: 'Cause that

7 would stop a lot of expenses and maintenance and --

8 MR. ED TUTRONE: We can't get  
9 close enough. Plus the purpose of the dry hydrant  
10 is for wintertime, so you don't have to waste the  
11 time trying to cut through the ice to put a plug  
12 in.

13 MR. PETER TOTA: All right.  
14 Okay. Thank you.

15 MR. McHALE: It would actually  
16 go in Trout Creek, below the dam.

17 MS. LAMBERTON: Any other  
18 questions or comment --

19 MR. KERRICK: Did anyone ask  
20 Arrowhead if they would take re -- you know,  
21 responsibility for maintenance and liability?

22 MR. ED TUTRONE: Well, when I  
23 discussed that with Bob a little bit, that was  
24 where, if they took responsibility of it and we  
25 permit, they would have to permit it. The owner

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1 would be the ones, that's why we came back to the  
2 township.

3 MS. LAMBERTON: Could they be  
4 co-committee? Let's not go down that road.

5 (Inaudible comments.)

6 MS. LAMBERTON: We understand  
7 what it takes. That's how crazy this stuff is.  
8 Okay. I'll enter -- one more question.

9 MS. PICKARD: Just one more  
10 question. We did get the audit report back, I was  
11 gonna ask if maybe we could --

12 MS. LAMBERTON: Oh, do we need  
13 to make a motion on the -- I'm sorry, while we're  
14 still --

15 MS. PICKARD: But I was just  
16 thinking if Debbie could come into a work session  
17 or they could do a presentation like they generally  
18 always do for an audit?

19 MS. LAMBERTON: Okay.

20 MS. PICKARD: Most everybody  
21 else, I think it would be appropriate.

22 MS. LAMBERTON: Let's entertain  
23 a motion back to the fire companies' fire hydrants.

24 MR. HOLAHAN: So moved that we  
25 support that.

1 MR. MOYER: Second.

2 MS. LAMBERTON: I have a motion

3 and second.

4 Questions or comments from the

5 board?

6 Questions or comments from the

7 public?

8 Seeing none. Call the vote.

9 John?

10 MR. KERRICK: In favor.

11 MS. LAMBERTON: Heidi?

12 MS. PICKARD: In favor.

13 MS. LAMBERTON: John?

14 MR. HOLAHAN: Aye.

15 MS. LAMBERTON: Donny?

16 MR. MOYER: In favor.

17 MS. LAMBERTON: I vote in favor.

18 Motion carried.

19 Heidi wants to do an exciting

20 audit.

21 MR. HOLAHAN: Well, she wants to

22 read the auditor's report. So you start from Page

23 1 to --

24 MS. LAMBERTON: Yeah, we're

25 gonna pass on that.

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1 MR. MOYER: No, we're not gonna  
2 read it, right? We're gonna have somebody come in?

3 MS. PICKARD: No, we're gonna  
4 have Debbie come in, 'cause we pay her \$10,000, we  
5 should make her show up and --

6 MS. LAMBERTON: Why don't we  
7 have Phyllis contact her for the work session and  
8 she can give a presentation.

9 MR. HOLAHAN: Okay.

10 MS. LAMBERTON: Fair enough?

11 MS. PICKARD: Yep.

12 MS. HAASE: You have the hard  
13 copies, so I will provide a copy of that, but your  
14 bound copies you have.

15 MS. LAMBERTON: Oh, I have it,  
16 yeah.

17 MS. HAASE: It's right in front  
18 of you.

19 MS. LAMBERTON: We'll open up  
20 for public questions or comments, if we haven't

21 had --

22 Joey? Just state your name for  
23 the record, please.

24 MR. JOSEPH COLYER: Joseph  
25 Colyer.

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1 I was wondering if some of you  
2 could take the time to drive by Keiper Field soon,  
3 it's pretty horrible. We're talking about bad  
4 signs and bad homes, that park is a mess. It's  
5 horrible, I have pictures I could show you.

6 MS. PICKARD: We had a  
7 complaint this week --

8 MR. JOSEPH COLYER: It's  
9 horrible.

10 MS. PICKARD: -- and I think  
11 it's being addressed. We did have a telephone  
12 compliant.

13 MR. ED TUTRONE: Annie, can I  
14 address that?

15 MS. PICKARD: Ed was dealing  
16 with that.

17 MS. LAMBERTON: Absolutely. Go

18 ahead.

19 MR. ED TUTRONE: We did get a  
20 complaint on it. What happened was, we have mulch,  
21 it's in the lower lot, we have a hundred yards of  
22 mulch to redo that playground. We were waiting for  
23 the summer help to come in because we're trying to  
24 get that paving project done. So we were doing all  
25 the base work on the roads. Now, the summer help

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1 just started last week. We will be addressing that  
2 park within two weeks. We're tearing all that  
3 mulch out because of all the weeds growing up  
4 through it, so we're carrying all that mulch out  
5 and putting all new mulch. And it sits down in the  
6 parking lot, we already have it.

7 MR. PETER TOTA: Question.

8 MS. LAMBERTON: Mr. Tota?

9 MR. PETER TOTA: Are you putting  
10 any fabric down before you put the mulch?

11 MR. ED TUTRONE: There's fabric  
12 down already.

13 MR. JOSEPH COLYER: It's ripped

14 up and shredded.

15 MR. ED TUTRONE: The problem  
16 with mulch, you can put as much fabric down as you  
17 want, the mulch breaks down the dirt  
18 and (inaudible) --

19 MS. LAMBERTON: Any other  
20 questions or comments from the public?

21 I'm sorry, Teddy?

22 MR. TED MOYER: Ted Moyer,  
23 Pocono Lake.

24 I currently operate Moyer's  
25 Automotive, Darwin Keiper's facility. And back in

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1 March, I decided to print out the application to  
2 apply for a used car dealer license for that  
3 premises. The way it works in Pennsylvania is, if  
4 you sell more than six vehicles a year, you have to  
5 get a used car dealer license. So I printed this  
6 application and Line 6 simply asked for  
7 documentation from your local municipality  
8 verifying that your business location has proper  
9 zoning, which over the phone it did.

10 However, that phone call was

11 made March 24 and 77 days later I got the letter  
12 stating that it was not. That is in my hands, I  
13 will deal with that answer, the answer of no.  
14 However, I just wanted to make you aware that 77  
15 days for that simple request, I think that's -- I  
16 think that's terrible, quite honestly.

17 Thank you.

18 MR. HOLAHAN: Anything else?

19 MS. LAMBERTON: Any other  
20 comments from the public?

21 Seeing none.

22 MR. DAVID ARGOT: Comment.

23 MS. LAMBERTON: Oh.

24 MR. DAVID ARGOT: David Argot,  
25 Pocono Lake.

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1 I sit here and I hear a lot of  
2 stuff going on. And you want people to come in,  
3 you want to be a friend, but all you do is put  
4 everybody down on everything they want to do.  
5 There's people in the township, good citizens that  
6 pay taxes and every time the township board gets a

7 hold of it, they turn them down. You don't want  
8 business in the township, you're trying to drive  
9 everybody out. So I -- you're two-faced, you're  
10 two-sided and I think you should take that in  
11 consideration.

12 MS. LAMBERTON: Thank you. I  
13 don't know what projects we've turned down that  
14 have come to the board level. Maybe you're talking  
15 something that we're not aware of or --

16 MR. DAVID ARGOT: You're always  
17 -- these guys that are in business, you're always  
18 picking on them. They can't tow a car in at 10  
19 o'clock at night but -- or till 11 o'clock,  
20 everything goes down the line and it's just a --  
21 just trying make it rough on these people. And I  
22 think the whole township is pretty upset about it  
23 too, 'cause you hear a lot of comments and nobody's  
24 got enough nerve to come in and tell you. But I  
25 think you should mend your ways, your zoning stinks

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1 and a lot of other things here too and I'm fed up  
2 with it. I'm old enough now, I don't care what I  
3 say.

4 MS. LAMBERTON: I appreciate  
5 that.

6 MR. DAVID ARGOT: I'm tired of  
7 being -- worrying about everything we do if we're  
8 gonna get caught. We shouldn't have to get caught,  
9 you should have stuff that's fair and up on the top  
10 and you shouldn't try to fight everybody.

11 MS. LAMBERTON: I agree with  
12 you, Mr. Argot, I think that's why --

13 MR. DAVID ARGOT: And another  
14 thing I'm thinking about is maintaining. The  
15 township's going downgrade because you can't put  
16 your home up without getting a permit, why? Why  
17 can't you keep your house in -- in shape? And you  
18 -- you want everything rotten down, you talk about  
19 signs. Well, houses are rotting down and you won't  
20 let us fix them unless we get permission, we  
21 shouldn't have to have permission to maintain your  
22 home.

23 MS. LAMBERTON: I don't know  
24 that you need permission to maintain your home.

25 MR. DAVID ARGOT: Everything you

1 do you need a permit.

2 MS. LAMBERTON: I know how you  
3 feel.

4 MR. DAVID ARGOT: Well, I think  
5 it should be changed. I think you should change  
6 the zoning to help out the public.

7 MS. LAMBERTON: I couldn't agree  
8 with you more. We need to be more business  
9 friendly and I think that the ordinances that are  
10 in place are 40, 50 years old and they don't work  
11 anymore.

12 MS. PICKARD: And we have a  
13 draft ordinance that we need to get on and take --

14 MS. LAMBERTON: But really  
15 what's being changed in it?

16 MS. PICKARD: There was a lot  
17 of things that were cleaned up and made easier when  
18 we went through it for three years.

19 MR. TED MOYER: If it's true  
20 that the ordinances are 40 and 50 years old, then  
21 there's a lot of businesses doing right now what  
22 I'm not allowed to do, that would not be considered  
23 grandfathered. They're new enough they wouldn't be  
24 grandfathered, but they were given the okay to do

25 it.

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1 MS. LAMBERTON: I might have  
2 exaggerated on the 40 or 50, but that was my  
3 opinion --

4 MR. TED MOYER: You understand  
5 my point.

6 MS. LAMBERTON: -- that they are  
7 outdated. We need to help businesses like you and  
8 Joey.

9 MR. TED MOYER: I look out my  
10 window and it's like he can do it, but I can't. I  
11 need four -- every 400 square feet of heated space,  
12 I can sell a car which means I can say -- sell 12  
13 cars. But the guy across the way has a thousand  
14 square foot building where he could sell two cars  
15 legally by your ordinance, but yet 40 cars out  
16 there. Now, how do this work? How come he can get  
17 away with it, the outsider, and the local guy  
18 can't? I mean, to me that's how I see it.

19 If you're an outsider, you can  
20 do all this stuff, you're in the club. If you're a  
21 local, you're not in that club, however it works.

22 If it's lining pockets, I mean, that's -- of  
23 course, that's what I think, I've told you all  
24 that before. How does it work? Tell me, how does  
25 it work? What do I have to do?

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1 MS. LAMBERTON: I personally  
2 don't know your issue, so I apologize for that --

3 MR. TED MOYER: But why? You  
4 should.

5 MS. LAMBERTON: It doesn't come  
6 to us if it's a zoning issue, it goes to a zoning  
7 officer. The board never hears -- and I -- I -- I  
8 understand your anguish, I get it. I -- I --

9 MR. TED MOYER: That's why I'm  
10 reaching out to you because 77 days to a -- for --  
11 for a five minute -- it should've taken five  
12 minutes, yes or no, five minutes. 77 days. So  
13 what do I have to do for you folks who are in  
14 charge of the zoning to change that?

15 MR. MOYER: It was yes and then  
16 it took 77 days to change it to no?

17 MR. TED MOYER: Exactly,

18 correct. Correct.

19 MS. LAMBERTON: I don't know if  
20 you want to speak on this or not.

21 MS. MINNICK: No, I don't, I  
22 don't. And if the board would like to discuss this  
23 in private, that's fine.

24 MR. PETER TOTA: Well, why does  
25 the board have to discuss it in private?

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1 MR. KERRICK: We can't get  
2 involved.

3 MR. PETER TOTA: What are you  
4 hiding?

5 MS. LAMBERTON: If you -- if it  
6 pleases you, Teddy, how about we do get an  
7 explanation from our zoning officer so we  
8 understand what your property is.

9 MR. TED MOYER: Okay.

10 MS. LAMBERTON: Is that helpful  
11 to you?

12 MR. TED MOYER: I would  
13 appreciate that, sure. Anything you can do, I'd  
14 appreciate, because --

15 MS. LAMBERTON: I will  
16 personally call Maureen in the morning and have a  
17 phone conversation with her.

18 MR. TED MOYER: I feel it is  
19 absolute selective enforcement with everything I  
20 try to do. I mean, I'm trying to grow a business.

21 MS. LAMBERTON: And I -- I want  
22 small business because I don't know if any -- I  
23 know -- I don't know if anyone was here the night  
24 we had a special meeting, Joey, and the gentleman  
25 very well spoken in the front here said that's what

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1 our country is built on is small business. And if  
2 we can't help somebody start a business in our  
3 township, well, then shame on us, shame on us. And  
4 I agree with that.

5 MR. TED MOYER: And  
6 unfortunately, I have to get so mad and rattle, I  
7 can't even think before I speak. I'm not a fighter  
8 with words. I'd love to take you all out back,  
9 then we can do something.

10 MS. JOLENE FETTE: I got to say

11 something.

12 MS. LAMBERTON: Jolene, just  
13 state your name for the record.

14 MS. JOLENE FETTE: Jolene Fette,  
15 F-e-t-t-e.

16 Where you can start, the thing  
17 that's been a thorn in my side from the day we  
18 started walking into here is when you walk in this  
19 hallway out here, what do you see? Two gigantic  
20 not that well done pictures of Kalahari. There are  
21 no pictures out here of the small businesses that  
22 built this township, like my stepfather's business,  
23 the business that our landlord owns, your business.

24 There's a lot of local  
25 businesses around here that have been here since

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1 before I was born. There are no pictures here  
2 showing any pride in them, but, oh, we got two big  
3 hideous signs -- you know, pictures out here with  
4 Kalahari on it. That's very disrespectful and it's  
5 disgusting to me, as not only a person who has  
6 lived here her entire life, who has worked here  
7 almost her entire life for township owned

8 businesses, for someone who's trying, by the grace  
9 of God, to run a business in this township. It's  
10 disgusting, it's a slap in the face.

11 So maybe you should think a  
12 little bit about what you're portraying to the  
13 people that walk into this place about what you  
14 care about if you want to stand up there and say,  
15 you care about us, 'cause this doesn't show us  
16 that, this shows us one side.

17 MS. LAMBERTON: I respect your  
18 comments. Thank you. And I'm not opposed to have  
19 every business's picture on the walls, because  
20 that's what makes our township.

21 MS. JOLENE FETTE: Well, it  
22 should be.

23 MR. JOSEPH COLYER: Well, we  
24 always talk about --

25 Joseph Colyer, sorry.

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1 -- the history and how nice  
2 Vermont is and the way it sounds like with the sign  
3 ordinance, we should all be riding horses here,

4 really. I mean, this -- we're not in the stone  
5 ages anymore, it's 2016, it's time to modernize.

6                   If somebody needs to put a  
7 digital sign up to stay in business here, 45  
8 percent of the commercial businesses that are  
9 buildings, not land, are empty in our township.  
10 What's the reason? Taxes and it's too hard. I can  
11 go to Tunkhannock Township and they'll give me a  
12 list of places I can run my business. You don't  
13 get that here and this is where I live, pay my  
14 taxes and I try to run my business here, all right  
15 here. There's no help.

16                   MS. LAMBERTON: That's something  
17 --

18                   MR. JOSEPH COLYER: The help  
19 comes from a lawyer at my cost, that's where my  
20 help comes from.

21                   MS. LAMBERTON: And I have feel  
22 that that's something the board needs to recognize  
23 and it's our job to make that change.

24                   MR. JOSEPH COLYER: But these  
25 ordinances we keep hearing are gonna change.

1 Nothing's happening. I've been coming for two  
2 years fighting for my business, nothing's changed.  
3 We haven't done any ordinance changes since, let's  
4 get on it. I mean, Jesus.

5 MS. LAMBERTON: Thank you for  
6 your comments, I appreciate that.

7 Anyone else?

8 Motion to adjourn?

9 MS. PICKARD: So moved.

10 MS. LAMBERTON: Thank you all  
11 for coming. I appreciate your input.

12 (Meeting concluded at 8:58 p.m.)

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I hereby certify that the proceedings and evidence are contained fully and accurately, to the best of my ability, in the notes taken by me at the meeting in the above matter; and that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the same.

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