REGULAR SEMI-MONTHLY MEETING
April 14, 2026

The regular semi-monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors, Hanover Township, Northampton County, was called to order by Chair Susan Lawless at the Hanover Township Municipal Office, 3630 Jacksonville Road, Bethlehem, PA, 18017 at 7:00 P.M.

Present were Supervisors Lawless, Prendeville, Gross, Versteeg, Pepitone, Township Engineer Brien Kocher, and Township Solicitor James Broughal.

The Pledge of Allegiance was performed.

Upon motion of Mr. Prendeville, seconded by Mr. Gross, the Board approved the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

Upon motion of Mr. Prendeville, seconded by Mr. Gross, the Board approved the minutes from meeting of the Board of Supervisors dated March 24, 2026. Motion passed unanimously.

Upon motion of Mr. Prendeville, seconded by Mr. Gross, the Board approved the list of bills and transfers dated April 14, 2026. Motion passed unanimously.

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR

Paul Rizzo, Representative of Empire Access, presented to the Board the fiber optic installation taking place throughout the Township. Mr. Rizzo explained it is a multi-month project working within the right-of-way to install the fiber optic cable underground. Permit applications have also been submitted for aerial components to PPL. Any property worked on or disturbed will be remediated and the contractors will seed the grass.

Frank Scharkozy, 1204 Foxview Drive, shared concerns regarding the fiber optic installation on his property.

Information regarding the fiber optic cable project will be provided on the Township website including the phone number for Empire Access for any questions or concerns.

Gary Madine, resident of Hanover Township, shared his concerns about crosswalk and traffic safety at the corner of Wegmans Drive and Stoke Park Road.

Mr. Hudson explained that the Public Works Department upgraded the signage for the crosswalk approaches with high visibility signage and upgraded the arrows on the LED lights.

PROCLAMATIONS

Proclamation 2026-01 National Public Works Week

Mr. Pepitone moved the Board to adopt Proclamation 2026-01, to proclaim the week of May 17-May 23 as 'National Publics Works Week' in Hanover Township.

Mr. Gross seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Proclamation 2026-02 National Police Week

Ms. Versteeg moved the Board to adopt Proclamation 2026-02, to proclaim the week of May 10-May 16 as 'National Police Week' in Hanover Township.

Mr. Prendeville seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Proclamation 2026-03 EMS Week

Ms. Lawless moved the Board to adopt Proclamation 2026-03, to proclaim the week of May 17-May 23 as 'Emergency Medical Services Week' in Hanover Township.

Mr. Prendeville seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously

Proclamation 2026-04 Arbor Day

Mr. Gross moved the Board to adopt Proclamation 2026-04, to proclaim Arbor Day in Hanover Township as Friday, April 24.

Mr. Prendeville seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Proclamation 2026-05 Recognizing May as Motorcycle Awareness Month

Mr. Prendeville moved the Board to adopt Proclamation 2026-05, to proclaim the month of May as National Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month in Hanover Township and urge all residents to join in efforts to promote motorcycle safety and reduce the risk of accidents on our roadways.

Mr. Gross seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously

REPORT OF THE CHAIR & Road District #4

Ms. Lawless had nothing to report. Ms. Lawless congratulated Mr. Gross on a healthy baby boy.

REPORT OF THE VICE CHAIR & Road District #2

Ms. Versteeg had nothing to report.

SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS

Mr. Pepitone – Road District #1, had nothing to report.
Mr. Gross– Road District #3, had nothing to report.
Mr. Prendeville – Road District #5, reported a sinkhole on Hanoverville Road and that it was filled by the Public Works Department.

APPOINTMENTS & RESIGNATIONS (Committees, Boards, & Commissions) – Ms. Versteeg

PLANNING & ZONING – Ms. Versteeg

DEVELOPMENTS – Mr. Gross

LVHN-UHS Behavioral Health Hospital Land Development – Security Release Request No. 1

Mr. Gross moved the Board, as recommended by Hanover Engineering's letter dated April 8, 2026, to approve to grant RKR Hess, developer of LVHN-UHS Behavioral Health Hospital Land Development, a reduction of the required security in the amount of $4,641,202.78, conditioned upon the following:

1. The Developer adheres to Township Policy 8 (payment of Plans and Appeals Account);
2. Confirmation of remaining security in the amount of $388,263.22.

Mr. Prendeville seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATION – Mr. Pepitone

Ordinance 26-01: Amending Chapter 130 Political Signs

Mr. Pepitone moved the Board to adopt Ordinance 26-01, amending Hanover Township's Code of Ordinances, Part II General Legislation; Chapter 130 Political Signs, to amend the maximum permitted size of political signs and address any conflicts with First Amendment protections; repealing all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith.

Mr. Gross seconded the motion.
Mr. Prendeville, aye, Mr. Gross, aye, Mr. Pepitone, aye, Ms. Versteeg, aye, Ms. Lawless, aye.

Resolution 2026-10 Intergovernmental Agreement with City of Bethlehem

Mr. Pepitone moved the Board to approve Resolution 2026-10 and to authorize the Chair and Township Secretary to execute the Intergovernmental Agreement with City of Bethlehem to appoint the City of Bethlehem Police Department as the duly authorized agent for the purpose of providing police protection for the Monocacy Park Complex and Facilities without any cost to Hanover Township. In addition, Hanover Township appointed the City of Bethlehem's EMS and Fire Department to provide the necessary EMS and fire protection services.

Mr. Gross seconded the motion.
Mr. Prendeville, aye, Mr. Gross, aye, Mr. Pepitone, aye, Ms. Versteeg, aye, Ms. Lawless, aye.

PUBLIC WORKS – Mr. Prendeville

Bid Advertisement - 2026 Paving Project

Mr. Prendeville moved the Board to authorize the Township Secretary to advertise the bid proposal for the 2026 Paving Project.

Mr. Gross seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

The paving would take place on Hanoverville Road from North Commerce Way to the circle (not including the circle) and Hanover Street from Weaversville Road to the township line of East Allen.

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR

STAFF REPORTS

Engineer – Mr. Kocher reported that the working group draft of the AFHBD uses is being reviewed and modified with Mr. Hudson.

Solicitor – Mr. Broughal had nothing to report.

Public Works Director – Mr. Limpar reported that yard waste is back in session. A tree at College Heights Park fell on the swing set and insurance covered it. A new swing set is ordered and the Public Works Department will replace the swing set once it arrives. Street sweeping has begun on the main roads and developments. The First Responders Park Pavilion is complete with just a few punch list items remaining. The Public Works Department has begun mowing and mulching the parks.

Mr. Limpar reiterated to residents that you should not place yard waste in the Casela toters.

Township Manager – Mr. Hudson reported that the Hanover Township Community Center had a question-and-answer performance with Ted Donatelli on April 9. Mr. Donatelli put on a good show and played some classic songs. Jack McCollum conducted the interview and kept the audience engaged. The Women Move for Health Program is underway with 30 women registered for the program. Spring programming includes Toddler Time, Martial Arts, and Youth Tennis. HTCC is accepting donations for Walk to End Alzheimer's. The Easton Municipal Band and Liberty Alumni Band will put on a joint performance Saturday, April 25 at 3:00pm.

Mr. Hudson reported that the letters for the stormwater project on Gaspar Avenue have been mailed. Some residents have contacted the Township to be placed on the mailing list for updates regarding the project. The Township IT company is working on the serverless transition. The Farmhouse Village construction has begun on Jacksonville Road. Residents should expect road closures and delays on Jacksonville Road in the

next couple of weeks. The Township is continuing to receive complaints regarding electric and gas bikes/dirtbikes on Municipal property. The Township is working with CRPD and will be placing signs around the entrances and trails to the park.

Ms. Lawless noted the next Board of Supervisor meeting will be on Tuesday, May 12, 2026, at 7:00pm.

Upon motion of Mr. Prendeville, the Board adjourned at 7:47pm.

Kimberly Lymanstall
Township Secretary