PLAINFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING JUNE 9, 2021

The regular monthly meeting of the Plainfield Township Board of Supervisors was held on Wednesday, June 9, 2021 at the Plainfield Township Municipal Building, which is located at 6292 Sullivan Trail, Nazareth, PA 18064.

Vice-Chairman, Glenn Borger, called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

The Pledge of Allegiance was performed.

ROLL CALL:

The following Supervisors answered roll call: Vice Chairman Glenn Borger, Supervisor Jane Mellert, Supervisor Stephen Hurni and Supervisor Joyce Lambert. Chairman Randy Heard arrived at approximately 7:04 P.M.

Also present were Township Manager Thomas Petrucci, Township Engineer Jeff Ott, P.E., and Solicitor David Backenstoe.

I. TOWNSHIP SECRETARY-THOMAS PETRUCCI:

1. Approval of the May 12, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes (DRAFT):

ACTION: Motion was made by Stephen Hurni and seconded by Joyce Lambert to approve the May 12, 2021 regular meeting minutes as presented.

Prior to the vote, Vice-Chairman, Glenn Borger, asked if there were any comments from the governing body or the public.

Motion approved. Vote 4-0.

2. Approval of the May 27, 2021 Second Regular Meeting Minutes (DRAFT):

ACTION: Motion was made by Stephen Hurni and seconded by Joyce Lambert to approve the May 27, 2021 second regular meeting minutes as presented.

Prior to the vote, Vice-Chairman, Glenn Borger, asked if there were any comments from the governing body or the public.

Motion approved. Vote 4-0.

3. 2021 Farmer's Fair (July 20-24, 2021): Maintenance Items and Approval of Use of Plainfield Township Volunteer Fire Company Fire Police Personnel:

ACTION: Motion was made by Joyce Lambert and seconded by Stephen Hurni to approve Township personnel conducting the maintenance items at the Farmer's Grove for the Annual Farmer's Fair (July 20 to 24, 2021), as well as to approve the use of Plainfield Township Volunteer Fire Company Fire Police Personnel during the event.

Prior to the vote, Vice-Chairman, Glenn Borger, asked if there were any comments from the governing body or the public.

Motion approved. Vote 4-0.

4. Green Knight Economic Development Corporation (GKEDC) Green Knight
Industrial Park II – Improvements Agreement Extension of Time to December 31,
2021:

ACTION: Motion was made by Jane Mellert and seconded by Joyce Lambert to approve an extension of time to the Improvements Agreement through to December 31, 2021 for the Green Knight Economic Development Corporation Green Knight Industrial Park II Subdivision.

Prior to the vote, Vice-Chairman, Glenn Borger, asked if there were any comments from the governing body or the public.

Motion approved. Vote 3-0-1, with Stephen Hurni abstaining.

5. 741 Jones Hill Road Parcel (Tax Map Parcel ID # G8 12 8 0626) Separation Request:

Tom Petrucci explained, that the current deed of the 741 Jones Hill Road parcel clearly states that the three parcels (G8-16-3-0626 G8-11-7-0626, and G8-17-1-0626) shall not be separated without subdivision approval of the Township. The property owner is respectfully requesting to convey the G8 12 8 0626 parcel by way of a private sales transaction without having to undertake the formal subdivision review process.

It is his understanding that the parcels were originally combined on their deeds to allow for a Clean and Green favorable assessment to be approved; however, that was never approved. My main concern with this transaction is ensuring that the purchaser is aware that the property is identified on the Plainfield Township Official Map and located within the FEMA Flood Hazard Area (Zone "A").

Heidi Dorshimer, who is the realtor brokering the transaction, was in attendance. Additionally, the property owner, who is Carl Rajski, and the prospective buyer, who is Jeffrey Hammons, were in attendance. In response to a question asked by Tom Petrucci, Mr. Hammons confirmed that he was aware that the property is identified on the Plainfield Township Official Map and located within the FEMA Flood Hazard Area (Zone "A").

Solicitor Backenstoe provided his opinion that he did not see any issues with the Township allowing this real estate transaction to move forward.

It was noted that this property is not part of an agricultural easement.

ACTION: Motion was made by Randy Heard and seconded by Jane Mellert to approve allowing the G8-12-8-0626 parcel (Lot 2) to be conveyed separately without the necessity of subdivision approval by Plainfield Township.

Prior to the vote, Chairman, Randy Heard, asked if there were any comments from the governing body or the public.

Motion approved. Vote 5-0.

Correspondence will be sent by the Township Manager confirming the official action taken by the Board of Supervisors.

II. TREASURER – KATELYN KOPACH:

1. Approval of the May, 2021 General Fund Disbursements (\$207,127.99):

ACTION: Motion was made by Joyce Lambert and seconded by Randy Heard to approve the May, 2021 General Fund Disbursements in the amount of \$207,127.99.

Prior to the vote, Chairman, Randy Heard, asked if there were any comments from the governing body or the public.

Motion approved. Vote 5-0.

2. Approval of the May, 2021 Treasurer's Report:

ACTION: Motion was made by Joyce Lambert and seconded by Randy Heard to approve the May, 2021 Treasurer's Report.

Prior to the vote, Chairman, Randy Heard, asked if there were any comments from the governing body or the public.

Motion approved. Vote 5-0.

3. <u>Approval of the 2020 GASB 67 Financial Statements for the Non-Uniformed Defined</u> Benefit Pension Plan:

ACTION: Motion was made by Randy Heard and seconded by Stephen Hurni to approve the 2020 GASB 67 Financial Statements for the Non-Uniformed Defined Benefit Pension Plan.

Prior to the vote, Chairman, Randy Heard, asked if there were any comments from the governing body or the public.

Motion approved. Vote 5-0.

4. <u>Approval of the 2020 GASB 67 Financial Statements for the Non-Uniformed Defined</u> Contribution Pension Plan:

ACTION: Motion was made by Randy Heard and seconded by Stephen Hurni to approve the 2020 GASB 67 Financial Statements for the Non-Uniformed Defined Contribution Pension Plan.

Prior to the vote, Chairman, Randy Heard, asked if there were any comments from the governing body or the public.

Motion approved. Vote 5-0.

5. Approval of Real Property Tax Exemption Certification – Effective April 23, 2021:

ACTION: Motion was made by Randy Heard and seconded by Glenn Borger to approve a Veteran's Real Estate Tax exemption for 1045 State Park Road, as directed by the Department of Military and Veteran's Affairs.

Prior to the vote, Chairman, Randy Heard, asked if there were any comments from the governing body or the public.

Motion approved. Vote 5-0.

- 6. Approval of 2nd Quarter Payments:
 - 2nd Quarter Fire Company Contribution \$25,000.00

ACTION: Motion was made by Jane Mellert and seconded by Stephen Hurni to approve the 2nd Quarter Fire Company contribution in the amount of \$25,000.00.

Prior to the vote, Chairman, Randy Heard, asked if there were any comments from the governing body or the public.

Motion approved. Vote 5-0.

• 2nd Quarter EMC Contribution - \$600.00

ACTION: Motion was made by Joyce Lambert and seconded by Stephen Hurni to approve the 2nd Quarter Emergency Management Coordinator contribution in the amount of \$600.00.

Prior to the vote, Chairman, Randy Heard, asked if there were any comments from the governing body or the public.

Motion approved. Vote 5-0.

• 2nd Quarter Non-Uniform Defined Benefit MMO Contribution - \$8,694.75

ACTION: Motion was made by Stephen Hurni and seconded by Randy Heard to approve the 2nd Quarter Non-Uniform Defined Benefit MMO Contribution contribution in the amount of \$8,694.75.

Prior to the vote, Chairman, Randy Heard, asked if there were any comments from the governing body or the public.

Motion approved. Vote 5-0.

III. TOWNSHIP ENGINEER – JEFF OTT, P.E.:

1. <u>Authorization of Final Payment: Professional Construction Contractors, Inc.- Getz Road Culvert Replacement Project – Total of \$154,051.50 (Conditioned Upon Approval of Township Engineer):</u>

Jeff Ott reviewed a first (and final) Application and Certificate of Payment received from Professional Construction Contractors, Inc. for the Getz Road Culvert Replacement Project with the Board of Supervisors. Final payment in the amount of \$154,051.50 to Professional Construction Contractors Inc. may be approved with the following conditions:

1. The Contractor must sign and submit the Notice of Completion Form and send it to the Township. The Township must then sign the Notice of Completion Form after final inspection by my office. *(Completed)*

- 2. 18-month maintenance bond in the amount of 15% of the final Contract amount. *(Completed)*
- 3. Any other forms required by the Township.

ACTION: Motion was made by Stephen Hurni and seconded by Joyce Lambert to approve the first and final payment request to Professional Construction Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$154,051.50 for the Getz Road Culvert Replacement Project out of the Capital Reserve Fund.

Prior to the vote, Chairman, Randy Heard, asked if there were any comments from the governing body or the public.

Motion approved. Vote 5-0.

2. Review Options: Notice of Specific Remedial Investigation Report and Cleanup Plan

— Slate Belt Industrial Center 991 W Pennsylvania Ave (Former Lehigh New England
Railroad Property):

A Remedial Investigation Report/Cleanup Plan (RIR/CR) report was submitted to the Township as a courtesy. Jeff Ott suggested that an independent review of the RIR/CR report is not needed at this time. The Act 2 process is voluntary, and he noted that the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection will review this submission. The Planning Commission will ultimately review this project, and that would be the appropriate time to ask any questions.

Jane Mellert commended the developer for taking on this process.

The Board of Supervisors agreed with the recommendation of Mr. Ott.

Don Moore asked if this is a new report that was submitted, and he asked if he could review it. It was noted that it is a public record now that it was submitted to the Township that would be able to be viewed via the Right-to-Know process.

IV. TOWNSHIP MANAGER – THOMAS PETRUCCI:

- 1. <u>Slate Belt Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan Monthly Update:</u>
 - An in-person meeting was held for Plan Slate Belt at the Pen Argyl Weona Park Community Center on June 2, 2021 at 7:00 PM. An offer was extended to the Board of Supervisors to have Becky Bradley and Tracy Oscavich of the LVPC attend a future Board of Supervisors meeting, if determined to be necessary, in order to apprise the Board members of the overall concepts and goals of the project.

- It was noted by Jane Mellert that traffic is a major concern of the Slate Belt region as a whole- especially concerning warehouses and tourism. She also identified possible discrepancies with the population projections for Plainfield Township submitted by the LVPC- especially given the fact that so much of the Township is already permanently preserved via agricultural easements. It was also noted that the millennial generation are delaying having children and that the baby boomer generation are staying in their homes longer than the previous generation. These are the types of issues that will need to be addressed as part of the multi-municipal comprehensive plan.
- The next meeting of Plan Slate Belt is scheduled for July 7, 2021 (7:00 PM) at the Pen Argyl Weona Park Community Center.

2. Plainfield Township Act 537 Official Plan Update – Monthly Briefing:

• The plan consultant, Entech Engineering, attempted to address the comments submitted by the Plainfield Township Planning Commission and LVPC by way of submitting a revised Act 537 Official Plan dated June, 2021. If the Board of Supervisors are inclined to move this Plan forward to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PA DEP), a Resolution has been prepared. Tom Petrucci noted that the review period for PA DEP is six (6) months and that further delays may be problematic.

Terry Kleintop inquired as to whether the Act 537 Official Plan as currently drafted is actually accomplishing anything. While he commends the effort of the Township to take on this endeavor, ultimately he would like to see something tangible accomplished with this project.

Tom Petrucci explained that the overall issue with public sewer installation along Belfast Road, Sullivan Trail and Bangor Road is the associated cost that would ultimately be passed on to residents. PA DEP will not approve public sewer extension projects above a certain cost threshold, as this may cause an issue where residents are not able to meet their monthly and/or quarterly sewer obligations and the Township could in theory default on its self-liquidating debt/bond obligation. This has occurred at other municipalities in the past, and PA DEP does not want to duplicate this issue at other localities.

Following discussion, it was determined that the Act 537 Official Plan dated June, 2021 will be reviewed at a future meeting of the Plainfield Township Planning Commission. Mary Beth Peters of Entech Engineering will be in attendance at said meeting in order to address the comments and concerns of the Plainfield Township Planning Commission members. Glenn Borger expressed the sentiment that the Planning Commission members should focus

on the items of the Plan that are within the control of the Township. In other words, if there is an aspect that is not able to be revised or changed at the local municipal level due to a PA DEP overarching regulation or statute, the Planning Commission should not focus on those items.

ACTION: Motion was made by Stephen Hurni and seconded by Randy Heard to send the Act 537 Official Plan Update (June, 2021 DRAFT) document back to the Planning Commission for their review and comment and to have Mary Beth Peters of Entech Engineering attend the Planning Commission meeting where this matter is discussed.

Prior to the vote, Chairman, Randy Heard, asked if there were any comments from the governing body or the public.

Don Moore inquired as to whether the numbers for the voluntary survey that was conducted as part of this project were available. Tom Petrucci provided the following information:

No Malfunction: 226 (65%)

Potential: 83 (24%) Suspected: 40 (11%)

Confirmed- 0

Motion approved. Vote 5-0.

3. Plainfield Township MS4/Stormwater Management Program – Monthly Briefing:

Plainfield Township MS4/Stormwater Management Program – Monthly Briefing - Plainfield Township MS4/Stormwater Management Program – Annual Monthly Meeting

1) A brief summary of the accomplishments of the Stormwater Management Program;

Brief Summary of the Accomplishments of the Storm Water Management Program June 9, 2021 Storm Water Management Program Public Meeting

(MS4 Permit Year 3)- September 30, 2020 to June 30, 2021

1. In direct consultation with the Wildlands Conservancy, the Township has received a \$100,000.00 (with a \$100,000.00 match from the Township) DCNR C2P2 grant for the streambank restoration projects that are required by the Township's Pollution Reduction Plan for the current MS4 permit. The Township previously clarified the streambank restoration requirements with PA DEP

officials. This project is currently under way, and Wildlands Conservancy will obtain proposals in the near future from multiple environmental consulting firms in order to select the contractor that will commence the PA DEP in-stream permitting work that is required for this project. Competitive bidding will be required for the actual in-stream work (not the design/permitting), as clarified by DCNR. The Township has received the initial deposit of \$50,000.00 for this grant.

UPDATE: In addition, the Township has received a \$100,000.00 grant through the PA DEP Growing Greener project (awarded in late 2020), as well as another \$100,000.00 grant through the Northampton County Liveable Landscapes program (awarded in May, 2021). These grant contracts should bridge any relative funding gaps for the construction phase of this project.

- 2. Continued use of the current stormwater mapping (including outfalls, inlets, basins, etc.) within the Township's GIS system for ease of reference/use.
- 3. Road Department has continued to document inlet/stormwater piping maintenance when conducted.
- 4. The Township's Good Housekeeping polices, which are required by the Township's MS4 permit (Minimum Control Measure #6), will have updated Standard Operating Procedures implemented by June 30, 2021.
- 5. Zoning Officer, Sharon Pletchan, has integrated stormwater BMP reviews into her building and zoning permit application reviews.
- 6. Township will implement BMP inspection/monitoring Standard Operating Procedure by June 30, 2021.
- 2) Affording interested persons the opportunity to make oral statements concerning the Stormwater Management Program;

No oral statements were received.

3) Consideration of relevant written materials that interested persons submit concerning the Stormwater Management Program; and,

No written materials were received.

4) Consideration of public input in making adjustments to the 2021-2022 implementation plan for the Stormwater Management Program.

No public input was received.

4. Public Hearing: Ordinance No. 404 (Municipal Uses Amendment):

A public hearing was held in accordance with the requirements of the Municipalities Planning Code to adopt a Zoning Ordinance amendment. Ordinance No. 404 is a Zoning Ordinance amendment that changes the "Municipal Uses" Special Exception Use in the Suburban Residential, Planned Residential and Village Residential Zoning Districts to a "Use Permitted by Right" in the Suburban Residential, Planned Residential and Village Residential Zoning Districts. The "Municipal Uses" use would still require a Site Plan review in accordance with §27-409.

No public input was received.

5. Consideration of Adoption: Ordinance No. 404 (Municipal Uses Amendment):

ACTION: Motion was made by Jane Mellert and seconded by Randy Heard to adopt Ordinance No. 404 (Zoning Ordinance Amendment), as advertised and attested.

Prior to the vote, Chairman, Randy Heard, asked if there were any comments from the governing body or the public.

Motion approved. Vote 5-0.

6. No Bids Received: 2021 Tri-Axle Dump Truck with Operator Rental Contract-Authorization to Advertise on PennBid:

ACTION: Motion was made by Stephen Hurni and seconded by Randy Heard to authorize the advertisement of a Public Notice for the 2021 Tri-Axle Dump Truck with Operator Rental Contract Re-Bid utilizing the PennBid system.

Prior to the vote, Chairman, Randy Heard, asked if there were any comments from the governing body or the public.

Motion approved. Vote 5-0.

7. <u>Authorization to Advertise: 7' Milling Machine with Operator (Outside Contractor)</u> (including removal of excess material and hauling) – completion date of on or about July 31, 2021:

ACTION: Motion was made by Randy Heard and seconded by Stephen Hurni to authorize the advertisement of a Public Notice for the 7' Milling Machine with Operator (Outside Contractor) Bid utilizing the PennBid system.

Prior to the vote, Chairman, Randy Heard, asked if there were any comments from the governing body or the public.

Motion approved. Vote 5-0.

8. <u>Sullivan Trail/Belfast Road Intersection – Recommendations from Benchmark Engineering:</u>

A preliminary crash analysis of the intersection of Belfast Road (S.R. 1012) and Sullivan Trail (S.R. 1005) was prepared by Peter Terry of Benchmark Engineering. The following recommendations for improvements were submitted by Mr. Terry:

- Installation of actuated "your speed" warning signs on northbound and southbound Sullivan approaching the intersection.
- Installation of warning signs on the Belfast Road approaches encouraging drivers to look right and look left.
- Repainting existing pavement markings and installing pavement markings warning of the approaching intersection.

Glenn Borger identified issues with the site distance in both directions at this intersection, and that the installation of additional signs may worsen the existing site distance issues.

ACTION: Motion was made by Randy Heard and seconded by Stephen Hurni to authorize the Township Manager to send the recommendations of Benchmark Engineering for the Belfast Road (S.R. 1012) and Sullivan Trail (S.R. 1005) intersection safety improvements to PennDOT for their review and possible action.

Prior to the vote, Chairman, Randy Heard, asked if there were any comments from the governing body or the public.

Don Moore stated that he agreed with Glenn Borger's comments about the site distance. He inquired as to whether both roads are PennDOT roads, and it was stated that they are both PennDOT roads. Mr. Moore inquired as to whether a signalized intersection would be warranted, and Tom Petrucci responded that Benchmark would need additional data to determine the level of service for the intersection. It was also noted that the costs of a signalized intersection would likely be borne by the Township.

Motion approved. Vote 5-0.

9. Approval to Advertise Ordinance No. 406: Amending the "Refuse Fee Ordinance":

Ordinance No. 406 allows the Township to establish the annual refuse collection fee costs by resolution in lieu of needing to adopt an ordinance amendment each time. This is consistent with the procedures and policies that are in place in most municipalities.

ACTION: Motion was made by Stephen Hurni and seconded by Glenn Borger to authorize the Township Manager to advertise the required Public Notice to adopt Ordinance No. 406 ("Refuse Fee Ordinance") in accordance with the requirements of the Second Class Township Code.

Prior to the vote, Chairman, Randy Heard, asked if there were any comments from the governing body or the public.

Motion approved. Vote 5-0

10. <u>Correspondence Received from Slate Belt Regional Police Commission:</u>
Notification of Lease Agreement Termination/Request to Negotiate New Terms:

ACTION: Motion was made by Randy Heard and seconded by Jane Mellert to acknowledge the receipt of the notification of the Lease Agreement termination that was received from the Slate Belt Regional Police Commission and to authorize the Township Manager to negotiate the terms of the new Lease Agreement with the Commission (or their designated representatives).

Prior to the vote, Chairman, Randy Heard, asked if there were any comments from the governing body or the public.

Motion approved. Vote 5-0.

BOARD AND FIRE COMPANY AND AMBULANCE REPORTS:

- 1. Planning and Zoning Report- May, 2021
- 2. Road Department Report- May, 2021
- 3. Fire Company and Ambulance Report- May, 2021
- 4. Recreation Board Report- May, 2021

ACTION: Motion was made by Randy Heard and seconded by Stephen Hurni to approve the May, 2021 Reports as listed and presented.

Prior to the vote, Chairman, Randy Heard, asked if there were any comments from the governing body or the public.

Motion approved. Vote 5-0.

SLATE BELT REGIONAL POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT:

1. Slate Belt Regional Police Department Monthly Report- May, 2021:

ACTION: Motion was made by Randy Heard and seconded by Joyce Lambert to approve the May, 2021 Slate Belt Regional Police Department Monthly Report as listed and presented.

Prior to the vote, Chairman, Randy Heard, asked if there were any comments from the governing body or the public.

Motion approved. Vote 5-0.

CITIZEN'S AGENDA/NON-AGENDA:

- 1. **Don Moore, Resident-** Mr. Moore addressed his concerns with the regulation and enforcement of the Zoning Ordinance and the policies and procedures that are currently utilized by the Zoning Heard Board. A summary of his primary concerns are provided as follows (NOTE: the information that follows are the expressed sentiments and opinions or Don Moore himself and are not the views or opinions of the Township, the members of the Board of Supervisors, Township employees or any other Township representatives):
 - The inadequate level of knowledge of the past and current Zoning Hearing Board members concerning applicable zoning case law and the criteria set forth in the Municipalities Planning Code.
 - The incorrect zoning determinations that were made by the previous Zoning Officer in the past that had long-term implications for impacted residents and the Township.
 - The excessive legal costs incurred by private individuals/parties in remedying the perceived errors made by the Zoning Heard Board and/or Zoning Officer.
 - The perceived favorable treatment of the Zoning Hearing Board towards applicants that have engaged legal counsel versus those applicants that have chosen not to do so, for whatever reason. Applicants should not feel as though they must hire an attorney in order to receive a favorable decision.
 - The Zoning Hearing Board's lack of reviewing the variance criteria of the Municipalities Planning Code when making decisions. Similarly, it is his opinion

that the Zoning Hearing Board has acted favorably upon decisions in instances when the applicant has not adequately demonstrated a hardship (or the Zoning Hearing Board members and Zoning Officer are misapplying and/or misunderstanding of the hardship concept). These issues make it difficult (if not impossible) for the decisions of the Zoning Hearing Board to stand up at the level of the County or Commonwealth courts.

- The previous reference of Zoning Hearing Board members to "no harm, no foul" variances- a concept with which Mr. Moore does not agree.
- The expressed apathy of the of the Zoning Hearing Board members to attempt to address the various issues that were identified by Don Moore.
- Zoning Hearing Board members inappropriately attempting to modify variance requests during Zoning Hearing Board meetings.
- The unwillingness of the Zoning Hearing Board to hold a work session to review
 policies and procedures as well as Municipalities Planning Code criteria with their
 Solicitor outside of a meeting where a hearing is scheduled.
- The failure of the Zoning Hearing Board to conduct deliberations in executive sessions (as opposed to conducing their deliberations in public). Tom Petrucci identified the fact that the Zoning Hearing Board is now in fact conducting deliberations in executive sessions.

In response to Don Moore's comments, Solicitor Backenstoe stated that the Township has recently taken important steps to remedy possible past issues with the Zoning Hearing Board and the administration of the Zoning Ordinance, which are identified as follows:

- The Board has appointed new members to the Zoning Hearing Board when the terms of previous members have expired.
- The Township has appointed an experienced Solicitor to the Zoning Hearing Board that should be able to guide the Zoning Hearing Board when making decisions.
- The Board has hired a full-time Zoning Officer who strictly interprets the provisions of the Zoning Ordinance from an analytical and legal standpoint.

Glenn Borger stated that the Board has a five minute time limit policy under Courtesy of the Floor, and that Mr. Moore has considerably exceeded that limit this evening- noting that is also a rule of the Township that should be followed by Mr. Moore.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REPORTS:

- 1. Randy Heard, Chairman- No report.
- 2. Glenn Borger, Vice Chairman- No report.
- **3.** *Joyce Lambert-* No report.
- **4.** *Jane Mellert* Reported that she attended the Graham Rose Eagle Scout Ceremony on May 22nd, and that it was a very nice ceremony. She stated that it was mentioned that the Township Manager was responsive during the course of the project, and that is not only the case for Eagle Scout candidates.
- **5. Stephen Hurni-** Reported that the required second executive session for the arbitration process has not been held to date (or even scheduled), and that there is no specific timeframe for receiving the final arbitration decision. The Department is currently down three (3) officers, and they cannot hire part-time officers until the arbitration decision is rendered.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT- DAVID BACKENSTOE, ESQUIRE:

Solicitor Backenstoe did not have any additional agenda items besides what was already addressed during the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

Having no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, motion was made by Glenn Borger and seconded by Joyce Lambert to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:46 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Petrucci Township Manager/Secretary Plainfield Township Board of Supervisors