

**NORTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
NORTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING
MARCH 25, 2020**

SPECIAL MEETING

Chairman Ronald J. Heintzelman called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM. In attendance were Supervisor Mark Hills, Manager Chris Garges, and Secretary/Treasurer Brenda Norder. Supervisor Dennis Klusaritz, and Atty. Lisa Young were present via video/audio conferencing.

The sole purpose of this meeting is to consider a "Declaration of Disaster Emergency" pursuant to the provisions of Section 7501 of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Services Code, (35 PA CS), as amended.

NEW BUSINESS:

DECLARATION OF DISASTER EMERGENCY

Mr. Garges noted that he had issued a Declaration of Disaster Emergency on March 20, 2020 which was valid for 7 days. This was done as an effort to secure future funding for the township and local businesses if needed.

Upon motion by Mark Hills, seconded by Ronald J. Heintzelman, the Board ratified the Declaration of Disaster Emergency as presented. Roll call: Mark Hills - yes; Ronald J. Heintzelman - yes; Dennis Klusaritz – yes via audio conference.

- Supervisor Klusaritz inquired if the Emergency Management Director was involved.
- Jim Steward, Neffs Fire Chief, Park Ave., Neffs, updated the Board on some Emergency Services issues and noted that Gov. Wolf had included Lehigh and Northampton Counties in the recent Stay-at-home directive.
- Supervisor Klusaritz asked about local virus testing sites.
- Jim Steward, Neffs Fire Chief, Park Ave., Neffs, answered that Muhlenberg Hospital was 1 site.

ADJOURNMENT Meeting adjourned at 1:08 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Norder, Secretary/Treasurer