

October 27, 2015 - Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting

Minutes of the Antrim Township Supervisors
Regular Meeting
October 27, 2015 7:00 PM

The Antrim Township Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, October 27, 2015 at the Antrim Township Municipal Building, located at 10655 Antrim Church Road, with the following members present: John Alleman, Chairman; Rick Baer, Vice-Chairman; Pat Heraty and Fred Young. Also attending was: John Lisko, Solicitor; Brad Graham, Administrator; Carl Rundquist, Public Works Director; Jennifer Becknell, Secretary. (*Supervisor James Byers arrived late.*)

Alleman called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Alleman reminded the audience that meetings are audio recorded and posted to the Township website.

Graham opened the meeting with prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Alleman called for Public Comment. There were none.

A Heraty/Baer motion passed 4-0 approving the minutes from the October 13, 2015 Regular meeting.

A Heraty/Young motion passed 3-0-1 (*Baer abstained as he was absent from this meeting*) approving the minutes from the October 20, 2015 Budget Work Session meeting.

A Heraty/Baer motion passed 4-0 approving payment of the bills on the Treasurer's reports dated October 27, 2015.

Byers arrived at 7:05 p.m.

Solicitor Lisko called for an Executive Session to discuss bankruptcy cases.

The Public Works Director presented the next two items to the Supervisors for discussion which were previously approved by the Antrim Township Municipal Authority and gave details on each.

A Heraty/Baer motion passed 5-0 to accept the decision made by the Antrim Township Municipal Authority at their October 26, 2015 meeting to except the utilities (sewer line) known as the Young Farm Interceptor. This long standing sewer line runs from Shannon Drive S., through Greencastle Greens, through the Young farm and ends up at Talhelm's. It was stated that as part of this dedication the developer has agreed to pay \$3,000.00 toward the clearing of the Right of Ways and to allow access to the to the sewer line through the golf course.

A Byers/Baer motion passed 5-0 approving the decision made by the Antrim Township Municipal Authority to defer (not waive) 50% of the current sewer bill for Rhodes Grove until further data can be obtained to why their sewer bill was so high for the third quarter billing cycle. Research by both Antrim Township and Rhodes Grove will need to be conducted to see if a leak can be detected.

Graham informed the Supervisors that the Antrim Township Dog Park will be closing on October 28, 2015 in an attempt to get the grass reseeded. Articles will/or have been run in the Echo Pilot and the Record Herald concerning the dog park closure and signs have been posted along the fence.

Graham shared information that he received at last week's Chamber of Commerce meeting that there is currently a fund drive being conducted for the renovation of the farmhouse at Tayamentasachta.

The discussion on requests for special usage of Martin's Mill Bridge was tabled until Graham receives additional information back from the Township's insurance company, Franklin County and PennDOT.

Concerning the proposed storage building for Antrim Township, Graham informed the Supervisors of the revised proposal received from the company that does the State construction contract work. In addition, he and Mike Condo had asked for additional cost-cutting changes to the proposal. The Supervisors agreed that the new figure of \$381,062.71 was still a bit high and asked that the Building Committee review the proposal with staff.

A Baer/Young motion passed 5-0 authorizing staff to send out letters of interest to the various board members that have upcoming term expiration dates and to issue a news release.

A Heraty/Young motion passed 5-0 approving the PMHIC (Pennsylvania Municipal Health Insurance Cooperative) Agreement Amendments as outlined in the PMHIC Executive Summary and authorized staff to sign the Voting Ballot. The changes to the agreement will be effective January 1, 2016.

Graham announced that Greencastle Antrim High School has sent over the names of potential candidates for the vacant position of Student Representative at the Township.

Graham called for an Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter.

Alleman called for Public Comment.

Robert Smith, Township resident, spoke concerning the Rhodes Grove large sewer bill and mentioned that he noticed that a farmer came and retrieved a truck load of water several times a day, over many days during the dry period. Mr. Smith said it may be worth investigating as it could shed light on the situation at hand.

A Young/Heraty motion passed 5-0 to adjourn the Regular Session, into Executive Session at 7:41p.m.

A Hearty/Young motion passed 5-0 to adjourn the Executive Session, back into the Regular Session at 8:02 p.m.

Alleman announced that potential litigation and a personnel matter were discussed, with no decisions to announce.

A Heraty/Young motion passed 5-0 to adjourn the Regular Session at 8:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Becknell

Board of Supervisors Secretary