

December 8, 2015 - Antrim Township Board of Supervisors

Minutes of the Antrim Township Supervisors

December 8, 2015 Regular Meeting 7:00 PM

The Antrim Township Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, December 8, 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; James Byers; Fred Young and Pat Heraty. Also attending was: John Lisko, Solicitor; Brad Graham, Administrator; Sylvia House, Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer; Mike Condo, Roadmaster and Park Director; Jennifer Becknell, Secretary.

Alleman called the meeting to order at 7:04 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.

The Board of Supervisors recognized outgoing Supervisor James Byers for his 24 years of service to Antrim Township as a Supervisor. Mr. Byers was presented a plaque, which states his years of service, including time on the Antrim Township Municipal Authority. Time was given for the press to take photos for the newspapers, and each Supervisor gave their words of gratitude and best wishes to Mr. Byers for his future endeavors.

Alleman called for Public Comment. There were none.

A Heraty/Baer motion passed 4-0-1 approving the minutes from the November 24, 2015 Regular meeting. (*Alleman abstained as he was absent from the last meeting.*)

A Heraty/Young motion passed 5-0 approving payment of the bills on the Treasurer's reports dated December 8, 2015.

A Heraty/Young motion passed 5-0 approving the final plan for Rolling Hills Phase 4, a 12 lot residential subdivision off Lindale Avenue.

A Byers/Heraty motion passed 5-0 approving a 180 day extension for the John H. Koons, Jr. plan, which is a lot addition on Fort Stouffer Road.

The Beck Manufacturing bond release was tabled as the Township had not heard back from the Township engineer (Dewberry) for their inspection review.

A Byers/Heraty motion passed 5-0 approving the full bond release for the Food Lion Access Drive located off of Armada Drive which was for \$20,523.80.

A Heraty/Young motion passed 5-0 approving Ordinance # 346 amending Chapter 110-2 concerning sewer connection. The zoning officer stated that a public hearing was not required and had been advertised in accordance with the law. The amendment requires proposed developments within 500' of the sewer system to connect.

A Heraty/Young motion passed 5-0 authorizing staff to proceed with sending letters to each lot owner in Nottingham Meadows notifying them of their obligation and the consequences of non-compliance relating to the maintenance of the stormwater pond.

A Heraty/Baer motion passed 5-0 approving the Park Committee suggestion that the Township set a reservation fee of \$50.00 for reserving the Martin's Mill Bridge for events. The reservation/waiver

agreement shall state the “renters” understand that there could be potential disruptions in weddings due to the general public needing to cross the bridge as well as canoe/kayak traffic on the stream and that the Township will not be policing the area.

A Heraty/Young motion passed 5-0 authorizing the Roadmaster to write a letter to PennDOT asking them to investigate restricted parking along I-81 North, just south of the Welcome Center. Alleman asked the Roadmaster to also inquire in the same letter to PennDOT where there are more safe and permissible parking areas for truckers.

Alleman mentioned that Old Home Week is approaching and asked for the status on being able to open the Martins Mill Bridge for “drive-across” access as part of the festivities. The Administrator stated that he still needs to get in touch with PennDOT to see what the inspection guidelines would be to allow cars to cross over the bridge. Alleman asked the Park Committee to get on board with supporting Old Home Week by submitting something in writing that states they will be in charge of orchestrating the events at Martins Mill Bridge, if PennDOT responds favorably. It was agreed that this drive-across event should just be for a few hours on a Saturday during Old Home Week and that Fire Police should be on hand to help direct and manage traffic flow.

Alleman asked the Roadmaster to inquire with PennDOT about installing some additional road markings to indicate clearly the lanes heading north on Route 11 at the bridge over I-81. There is a lot of unmarked paving heading north right before the bridge and people can easily assume it is two lanes, but the bridge is designed to be a single lane heading in both directions. Thus traffic is trying to juggle into position at the last moment to form a single lane.

Alleman also asked the Roadmaster to inquire with PennDOT about placing some additional striping right in front of the north bound off ramp to Route 16, thus forcing drivers to not block the intersection for left (East) turning traffic. The Administrator mentioned that authorization to do this striping would need to come from PennDOT, but the expense to do the actual striping would be the Township’s responsibility. The Supervisors all agreed they would be in favor of paying for the additional striping if PennDOT approves as it is a public safety issue.

A Baer/Heraty motion passed 5-0 approving the 2016 Budget.

Graham reminded the Supervisors about the vacancies on the advisory boards that need appointments or re-appointments made and asked the Supervisors to be prepared to make these at the reorganization meeting. The Supervisors called for an Executive Session.

Graham reminded the Supervisors about three upcoming events for which staff needs to know the attending Supervisors for a RSVP. The events are Marion Vol. Fire Co. Annual Awards Banquet, the Rescue Hose Co. No. 1 Annual Awards Banquet, and the PSATS Conference in April.

A Heraty/Young motion passed 5-0 to adjourn the Regular Session, into an Executive Session at 7:44 PM, with no decision to announce to the public afterwards.

A Heraty/Young motion passed 5-0 to adjourn the Executive Session, back into the regular session at 8:05 PM.

A Byers/Heraty motion passed 5-0 to adjourn the Regular Session at 8:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Becknell

Board of Supervisors Secretary