

January 24, 2017 - Board of Supervisors - Minutes

Minutes of the Antrim Township Supervisors

Regular Meeting

January 24, 2017 7:00 PM

The Antrim Township Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, January 24, 2017 at the Antrim Township Municipal Building, located at 10655 Antrim Church Road, with the following members present: Rick Baer, Chairman; Chad Murray, Vice Chairman; John Alleman, Pat Heraty and Fred Young. Also attending was: John Lisko, Solicitor; Sylvia House, Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer; Brad Graham, Administrator; Rodney Eberly, Roadmaster/Park Director; and Jennifer Becknell, Secretary/Treasurer.

Baer called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Baer reminded the audience that meetings are audio recorded.

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

Baer called for Public Comment.

Ilse-Marie Bramson, 305 Leitersburg Road, gave testimony regarding the intersection of Leitersburg and Hollowell Church Road. Bramson stated she had an accident at this intersection where her vehicle was struck by another vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed. Bramson stated there has been many accidents there and would like the Supervisors to change this intersection to a 4-way stop to help control the speeding in this area.

Robert Smith, 7498 Angle Road, stated that the intersection of Leitersburg and Hollowell Church Road was at one time a 4-way stop and he agreed with Ms. Bramson that it is a dangerous intersection and should return to a 4-way stop.

Robert Wertime, 207 Leitersburg Street, addressed the Supervisors concerning his letter that he had previously submitted to the Supervisors and Administrator requesting that two studies be conducted: one for a 4-way stop at the intersection of Leitersburg and Hollowell Church Road and another for the speed reduction for Hollowell Church Road to 35 MPH for the area from Rt. 16 to the intersection with Leitersburg.

Ed Tracey, 12483 Hollowell Church Rd., stated that as a life-long resident of Hollowell Church Rd. he said the reason for the intersection being changed from a 4-way stop to a straight through for Hollowell Church Rd. is because people were being rear-ended while sitting at the 4-way stop. Tracey believes the only deterrent for speeders is police presence. Tracey stated that when a police patrols the area for a day, the traffic seems to return to posted speeds for a few months.

An Alleman/Heraty motion passed 5-0 approving the minutes from the January 10, 2017 Regular meeting.

A Heraty/Murray motion passed 5-0 approving payment of the bills on the Treasurer's reports dated January 24, 2017.

Jonathan Stough, RBC Wealth Management, provided a three-page Year End update to the Supervisors on the Antrim Township investments. Stough stated the provided analysis shows the estimated increase in interest and overall revenue. Stough further stated since taking over in August 2016, the approximate increase is 33bps (basis points).

A Heraty/Alleman motion passed 5-0 granting a modification request from Well Standards, Chapter 110, Section 49, for 7364 Angle Road. The regulations state a 10-foot minimum distance from a driveway for a well, however the owner states the best location for the well is located within 3 to 5 feet of the driveway.

A Heraty/Young motion passed 5-0 authorizing the Chairman to sign the Plan Amendment for the Carroll K. Hartman Sr. Subdivision to change the setbacks within this development to the Township's current setbacks.

A Heraty/Alleman motion passed 5-0 approving the final plan again for Lester A. Musselman, Parcel 1, 1 lot addition, Milnor Road, SD-16-25, as the plan is outside of the 90-day window to record the plan from the original approval date of September 27, 2016.

A Heraty/Alleman motion passed 5-0 approving the plan for John and Debbie Hoffman as a Preliminary stage land development plan, Molly Pitcher Highway, providing them more time to decide the intentions for this property without needing to post financial security.

A Young/Heraty motion passed 5-0 conditionally approving the final plan for Rolling Hills PRD Phase 8, 13 lot residential subdivision, Morgan Court, pending the receipt of bonding.

An Alleman/Heraty motion passed 5-0 allowing the release of bonding in the amount of \$ 34,508.87 on the Rolling Hills PRD, Phase 4, and apply it to Phase 8. A bond amount of \$ 10,607.63 shall be obtained until completion of the development.

Lisko called for an Executive Session at the end of the Regular Session.

Rodney Eberly, Township Roadmaster/Park Director, provided an update on the activities listed on his report to the Supervisors. Mr. Eberly reminded the Supervisors that the PASC (Pennsylvania Association of Student Councils) will be having an all-day event (8:00am to 3:00pm) at the Antrim Township Community Park on Tuesday, April 25.

The Roadmaster also addressed the request made by Conewago Construction to open cut Antrim Commons Drive. Eberly supplied the Supervisors with a map of the area to show the proposed water crossing. Eberly made the recommendation that this road should not be open cut unless the Township receives some type of bonding to insure the road is reconstructed properly. Tim Hogan, with ATAPCO, was present at the meeting and offered to research the amount of construction bond already in place, if any, for this open cut process and also stated he did not have a problem with placing financial security (for the PMC required 18-month period) for the open cut of Antrim Commons Drive. Mr. Hogan asked if the Supervisors could make a conditional approval on this open cut as Conewago needs the water connected as soon as possible to operate their cement plant.

An Alleman/Heraty motion passed 5-0 conditionally approving the open cut of Antrim Commons Drive pending bonding is provided by ATAPCO for the repair cost in the amount to be determined by the Township Engineer, unless there is already proceeds included in the current bond amount being held to

repair the cut in the road; and in addition, after the work is completed there is a maintenance bond for a period of 18 months.

An Alleman/Heraty motion passed 5-0 appointing Ed Tracey to serve on the Ag Security Advisory Committee. Mr. Tracey will be replacing Elwood Myers, as Mr. Myers has requested to be removed from this appointment. The Supervisors thanked Mr. Tracey for agreeing to serve and directed staff to send a letter of appreciation to Mr. Myers for his years of serving on this committee.

A Heraty/Young motion passed 5-0 approving the Fourth Addendum to the Operating Agreement between Antrim Township Board of Supervisors and Antrim Township Municipal Authority (ATMA). This addendum establishes the entire Township as the water service area of the ATMA.

An Alleman/Heraty motion passed 5-0 approving Workers' Compensation coverage for Rescue Hose Fire Police should they decide to assist during the Operation God Bless America benefit ride set for Sunday, June 4, 2017.

Graham announced that Mr. Bill Needy will not be seeking re-election for the Elected Auditor position and that he has also requested that he be removed as the alternate for the Franklin County Area Tax Bureau and the Tax Collection Committee, effective 1-1-18.

Graham announced that he received a letter from a resident of the Township requesting the Township consider creating the voluntary position of Township Historian, and would like to be considered for this position. After some discussion, the Supervisors directed the Administrator to proceed with making a job description and set some guidelines for this position.

Heraty announced that he noticed a mole problem out at the Antrim Township Community Park in the mulch beds in the playground area.

Heraty also requested that Township staff check into the trucks parking on Antrim Commons Drive in the early morning hours as we have an ordinance that designates parts of this area as a No Truck Parking Zone.

Young announced that the Greencastle Flyers will be hosting a Groundhog Jog from the Antrim Township Community Park to Shanks Church Road, using the Shared Use Trails, on February 4. Young asked if anyone was available to assist with blocking traffic as the runners crossed over Grant Church Road.

Alleman asked that in conjunction with the request made by Robert Wertime, staff check into the intersection of Hollowell Church Road and State Line Road, as there has been multiple accidents at this site as well in the past few years.

Baer called for Public Comment.

Robert Smith, 7498 Angle Road, stated that he doesn't agree with the decision made years ago to remove the 4-way stop at the intersection of Leitersburg and Hollowell Church Road. If the decision was made due to site distance issues, they should have planed the road down and placed "Stop Ahead" signs. Mr. Smith said the 4-way stop at this intersection needs to happen.

A Heraty/Young motion passed 5-0 to adjourn the Regular Session, into Executive Session, at 8:00 pm.

A Heraty/Murray motion passed 5-0 to adjourn the Executive Session, back into Regular Session, at 8:57 pm.

Baer stated that Potential Litigation and Real Estate matters were discussed, with no decisions to be announced.

A Heraty/Alleman motion passed 5-0 to adjourn the Regular Session at 8:58 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Becknell
Board of Supervisors Secretary