

Minutes of the Antrim Township Supervisors
Regular Meeting

August 22, 2017

7:00 PM

The Antrim Township Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, August 22, 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, Fred Young and Pat Heraty. Also attending was: Rodney Eberly, Roadmaster/Park Director; Brad Graham, Administrator; and Jennifer Becknell, Secretary/Treasurer.

Baer called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

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. There were none.

An Alleman/Murray motion passed 5-0 approving the minutes from the August 8, 2017 Regular meeting.

A Heraty/Young motion passed 5-0 approving payment of the bills on the Treasurer's reports dated August 22, 2017.

Georgia Cranston, Greencastle-Antrim Chamber of Commerce, made a request to the Supervisors asking if they would make the annual donation of \$1,800.00 towards the 2017 Heritage Christmas Tree, which will have the official lighting on Friday, November 17. Ms. Cranston stated that she would be asking the Borough of Greencastle to contribute the same amount.

Tina Gipe, from Boyer & Ritter, presented the 2016 Audited Financial Statements and the required Communication Letter to the Board of Supervisors. Gipe went over the various balance sheets throughout the prepared report explaining how each one was derived, giving the Supervisors time to ask questions. When asked by Supervisor Young, Gipe stated that the Township had very healthy financials and net position. Gipe stated that there were 20 Journal Audit adjustments made for Year End 2016, which were done to book depreciation and fixed assets and that this was not a high number for the size of the Township. Gipe stated that there were no findings during the audit, therefore no Management Letter required.

A motion made by Heraty to support the recommendation made by the Antrim Township Planning Commission, which was to uphold their July 3 motion regarding the Zaiger modification request, died for a lack of a second.

A Young/Murray motion passed 4-0 (*Heraty had stepped out of the meeting temporarily*) granting the modification request from §125-17(E)(3) to provide only an easement at this time for the Shared Use Trail for the James and Heidi Zaiger subdivision plan located along Grant Shook Road, with a note added to the plan to postpone construction of the sidewalk until such time the Township provides written notification to the property owner.

A Heraty/Young motion passed 5-0 to renew the Summit Health Letter of Credit, which is subject to the annual 10% increase. The new amount of \$383,005.54 must be received before September 8, 2017 at noon or staff shall be authorized to draw on the Letter of Credit.

A Heraty/Alleman motion passed 5-0 authorizing staff to either renew the Letter of Credit in the same amount of \$83,550.00 for Benjamin and Anita Eby or reduce to the amount recommended by Dewberry once the inspection is completed.

A Young/Heraty motion passed 5-0 following the Antrim Township Planning Commission's recommendation to allow 170.5 acres belonging to John David Martin to default into the Ag Security program. This land is located along Antrim Church Road and McClanahan Road.

The Roadmaster/Park Director reviewed with the Supervisors the bullet points from his report, which included the following:

- The road crew has completed the road edge cutting in preparation for the tar and chip, which they were able to cut the entire north east quadrant in just 3 ½ weeks with minimal complaints.
- Road side mowing and brush cutting continues.
- Road signs through-out the township were replaced or repaired as needed.
- A culvert on Greenmount Road was repaired.
- Patches were cut and will be paved next week on several roads that are scheduled to be tar and chipped.
- The berm work has been started on Castle Green Drive.
- Sportsman Road project is scheduled to begin on August 22.
- With the ongoing rains this summer, Lee and Dick are very busy trying to stay on top of the mowing.
- Daniel Clever completed four benches utilizing reclaimed wood from the Martins Mill Bridge for his Eagle Scout project. All four will be placed at the Antrim Township Community Park
- Working on the RFP for the exterior of the barn.

The Park Director asked for clarification on the disc golf club closing the entire Martins Mill Bridge Park for tournaments. The Supervisors gave direction that they do not mind the park closure for this tournament as long as they give notice at least a week in advance to provide the Township time to post a sign at the top of East Weaver Road to notify the public that the gates are closed.

A Heraty/Baer motion passed 5-0 approving the donation of \$366.30 to help complete the GaGa Ball Pit at the Township Park, as the Supervisors requested that it have an ADA accessible gate and safety guards. Heraty also asked the Park Director to see about a solution to the fine stone washing out after a hard rain.

The Administrator made sure the Supervisors saw the two letters received from residents that expressed their disfavor with the proposed Transource electric transmission lines project on the east side of the Township. Direction was given to the Administrator to invite a representative from Transource to attend an upcoming meeting.

A Baer/Heraty motion passed 5-0 authorizing the appraisal of property along Greenmount Road, as it is necessary for a road realignment project.

A Heraty/Murray motion passed 4-1 (*Young opposed*) authorizing the Chairman to sign the Memorandum of Understanding with Ebberts Springs Historical Preserve, which states the Township will be responsible for mowing the grounds and that the Township can opt out of this agreement at any time with proper notification.

Heraty stated that he saw no fewer than 8 tractor trailers parked on Antrim Commons Drive, on the south side, all the way to the light. Heraty asked staff to do whatever they can to enforce the No Parking Zone set for this area.

Young stated he saw the air conditioning units being installed at Eldorado Stone by helicopter.

Baer called for Public Comment.

Robert Smith, 7498 Angle Road, thanked the Township for repairing a pothole along Angle Road.

A Heraty/Young motion passed 5-0 to adjourn the Regular Session at 8:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Becknell
Board of Supervisors Secretary