

Minutes of the Antrim Township Supervisors  
Regular Meeting

September 26, 2017

7:00 PM

The Antrim Township Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, September 26, 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: John Lisko, Solicitor; Rodney Eberly, Roadmaster/Park Director; Brad Graham, Administrator; and Jennifer Becknell, Secretary/Treasurer.

Baer called the meeting to order at 7:00 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/Heraty motion passed 4-0-1 approving the minutes from the September 12, 2017 Regular meeting. (*Young abstained as he did not attend*)

A Heraty/Murray motion passed 5-0 approving payment of the bills on the Treasurer's reports dated September 26, 2017.

Graham introduced visitor Jordan Manahan, who is seeking to fill the vacant position of student representative to the Board of Supervisors. Young asked why he would like to serve in this compacity. Mr. Manahan responded by stating that he is very interested in government and politics, and believes serving as the student representative would be a great experience to learn from. He is also serving as one of the student representative to the School Board.

A Murray/Heraty motion passed 5-0 to accept Jordan Manahan as the Student Representative to the Board of Supervisors.

A Heraty/Young motion passed 5-0 authorizing the Chairman to sign the regulatory fill site agreement with the homeowner of 3377 Williamson Road for replacement septic area. The township's Sewer Enforcement Office, JWP, provided this agreement to ensure that the malfunctioning system at this location is appropriately corrected.

A Young/Heraty motion passed 5-0 granting the request for reduction of the general construction bond amount for Antrim Commons Business Park, lot 14, Blaise Alexander. The engineer for the township, Dewberry, reviewed the bond and inspected the site and made the recommendation to reduce the bond by \$644,488.49, from the original \$2,300,000.00. The remaining bond amount will be \$1,655,511.51.

A Heraty/Murray motion passed 5-0 granting the request for reduction of the general construction bond amount for Antrim Commons Business Park, lot 14, Ebberts Spring Court. The engineer for the township, Dewberry, completed their inspection and made the recommendation to reduce the security by \$245,225.48, from the original \$377,538.98. The remaining security amount will be \$132,313.50.

The agenda item for a release request for sewer construction for Antrim Commons Business Park, lot 14, Ebberts Sprint Court was tabled as there are concerns with the sewer lines.

Young inquired if there are any issues to report concerning Hilltop Circle from the Open Complaints section of the Zoning Report. House responded that payments are being made on time.

The Roadmaster/Park Director reviewed with the Supervisors the bullet points from the report he posted for review.

At the request of the Supervisors, Eberly was asked to explain the tar and chip application process, the purpose of the fog seal and the financial savings of this process vs. traditional asphalt paving.

Eberly explained that the Park Committee recommended for approval a security system to be installed on the Martins Mill Bridge. The Park Committee provided a quote from Spichers Security Services in the amount of \$5,397.72. After some discussion, the Supervisors stated they are very much in favor of this project and will consider allocating funds in the 2018 budget. It was further agreed that some major details would need to be resolved, such as electric and cable service down to Martins Mill Bridge Park.

Becknell presented the Supervisors with a memorandum advising them of the 2018 Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) for the Township pension plan through PMRS (Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement System), which is calculated to be \$42,366.51.

A Heraty/Young motion passed 5-0 approving the Line Painting bid to be awarded to Alpha Space Control, in the amount of \$49,115.60. This will be for the north end of the Township and roads that were recently paved.

Graham announced that the Joint Resolution for the proposed truck route should be completed by the next Supervisors meeting. This resolution was prepared by representatives from the Township, Borough and School District to help redirect tractor trailer trucks away from downtown Greencastle.

The Supervisors were in favor of the Administrator seeking engineering consultation, and possibly a study, from an engineering firm that conducted a study in 2007. Graham stated the purpose of this consultation would be to assist the Township in designating necessary improvements that should be considered by developers along the Route 11 corridor, from the Borough line to State Line.

The Supervisors also gave authorization for the Administrator to utilize the engineering firm of Martin & Martin for the renovation and realignment project for Greenmount Road as it intersects with Mason Dixon Road.

Graham informed the Supervisors that he had a meeting last week with the Borough of Greencastle Manager to discuss the possibility of a Joint Investigative Committee for exploring the possibility of bringing the two entities together, and stated more information will follow.

Graham reminded the Supervisors that the Joint Legislative Chamber Breakfast will be held Thursday, October 26, at 7:00 a.m. and the Rescue Hose Open House will be Saturday, October 7, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Graham called for an Executive Session to discuss personnel matters.

Young stated he attended a ribbon cutting at El Dorado Stone along with Chad Murray and Sylvia House. Young said it was an impressive facility with 450,000 square feet, and added the representatives were thankful to Antrim Township for a pro-business outlook.

Young stated he also attended a ribbon cutting in Ft. Loudon, PA for Atlas Copco, a manufacturer of drilling equipment.

Baer called for Public Comment.

Robert Chesnut, 3377 Williamson Road, stated he is concerned by the amount of money he will need to expend to correct his malfunctioning sewer system and still not knowing he will get it to pass after the four (4) year waiting period. Mr. Chesnut recounted the events that led up to the diagnosis by JWP Environmental. Baer suggested that he check in to a peat moss drain system.

A Heraty/Young motion passed 5-0 to adjourn the Regular meeting, into Executive Session, at 7:55 p.m.

A Heraty/Young motion passed 5-0 to adjourn the Executive Session, back into Regular meeting, at 8:23 p.m.

Baer stated personnel matters were discussed with no decision to announce.

A Heraty/Young motion passed 5-0 to adjourn the Regular meeting at 8:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Becknell  
Board of Supervisors Secretary