Minutes of the Antrim Township Supervisors Regular Meeting

January 9, 2018 7:00 PM

The Antrim Township Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, January 9, 2018 at the Antrim Township Municipal Building, located at 10655 Antrim Church Road, with the following members present: Chad Murray, Chairman; Pat Heraty, Vice Chairman; Fred Young and John Alleman. Also attending was: John Lisko, Solicitor; Sylvia House, Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer; Jordan Manahan, Student Representative; Brad Graham, Administrator; and Jennifer Becknell, Secretary. (*Rick Baer was absent.*)

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

Murray reminded the audience that meetings are audio recorded.

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

Murray called for Public Comment.

Connie Slye, Zarger Road resident, informed the Supervisors that she is working on a draft ordinance for alternative energy. She stated the ordinance would have three sections: 1) on-site solar systems, or residential; 2) off-site solar systems, or solar farms; and 3) wind energy. Ms. Slye also stated that she found out that Shippensburg University could provide a paid intern to assist the Township with finding suitable locations for solar farms. The cost of the intern for 120 hours would be \$1,200.00.

Solicitor Lisko commented that it would be good to be prepared with regulations governing this type of land use as Governor Tom Wolf enacted legislation in November 2017 that may make the installation of alternative energy options more attractive.

Antrim Township Zoning Officer stated that the Township has already been contacted by two individuals from different companies concerning solar farms. The Township does not have any regulations for this type of industry.

Robert Smith, Angle Road resident, stated that some of the large warehouses in our area could put solar panels on their roofs and not destroy any farm land.

Robert Wertime, Leitersburg Road resident, encouraged the Township to explore various site locations for alternative energy sources, such as wind and solar, being mindful of conservation areas and animal habitat.

Joel Martin, Williamsport Pike resident, expressed his displeasure that during the comprehensive re-zoning of the Township, his property was re-zoned from residential to agricultural (Ag) without his knowledge, as his land was never posted and he did not receive a letter.

Bob Coladonato, Rocky Fountain Drive resident, stated that he believes the Township did not satisfy the 609-B clause of the MPC (Municipal Planning Code) which states a requirement that properties subject to zoning map changes be posted in sufficient detail around the Township. It was stated that the MPC provides an exemption from the public notice section for comprehensive rezoning.

An Alleman/Heraty motion passed 4-0 approving the minutes from the January 2, 2018 Organizational Meeting.

A Heraty/Alleman motion passed 4-0 approving payment of the bills on the Treasurer's reports dated January 9, 2018

Scheduled visitor, Morgan Godfrey, was not present to discuss 8289 Rabbit Road North.

A Young/Alleman motion passed 4-0 granting the 180-day extension request to Greens of Greencastle Phase 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10. The Antrim Township Planning Commission recommended granting this extension to gain DEP approval of stormwater.

A Heraty/Young motion passed 4-0 granting the 180-day extension request to AKMeyers LLC and KAMeyers LLC. The Antrim Township Planning Commission recommended granting this extension to allow time to gain approval from the Borough of Greencastle.

A Young/Heraty motion passed 4-0 authorizing staff to postpone until spring the security annual review for Rolling Hills Phase 4. The Township is holding \$10,607.63 in escrow to ensure proper stabilization and needs to wait until spring when a better determination can be made.

A Heraty/Young motion passed 4-0 authorizing staff to call the resident of 518 Hilltop Circle before filing a second Civil Complaint and to proceed with filing the Civil Complaint in the amount of \$5,000.00 if no corrective action is taken in the time specified by the Zoning Officer.

A Young/Heraty motion passed 4-0 granting a zoning change request for a vacant lot next to 7364 Angle Road. The Antrim Township Planning Commission supports rezoning this vacant lot to R-1, from A (Agricultural), as they feel it should have been done during the comprehensive rezoning.

An Alleman/Young motion passed 4-0 to table the Ag Security Area Application for 1165 Buchanan Trail East until next meeting.

The Public Works Director reviewed his report which was provided in the Supervisor's meeting file.

An Alleman/Heraty motion passed 4-0 approving workers compensation coverage for Rescue Hose Fire Police for the God Bless America Ride set for June 3, 2018, should the Fire Police choose to help cover this event.

Graham reminded the Supervisors of the Town Hall Meeting hosted by Senator John Eichelberger here at the Township building on January 25, 2018, at 6:30 p.m.

Jordan Manahan, Student Representative, updated the Supervisors with the following: a new semester is starting this week with final exams taking place; the boys basketball team won the East Pennsboro Tournament; a Greencastle-Antrim student is traveling to California to represent the school in the 1600 (mile) race; Greencastle-Antrim has had two coaches retire, Head Football Coach Chuck Tinninis and Head Soccer Coach Scott Gelsinger; and the drama department will be performing "The Little Mermaid" in April.

Young thanked everyone for their condolences for the loss of his mother.

A Heraty/Young motion passed 4-0 to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Becknell Board of Supervisors Secretary