

Minutes of the Antrim Township Supervisors
Regular Meeting

January 23, 2018

7:00 PM

The Antrim Township Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, January 23, 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, Rick Baer and John Alleman. Also attending was: John Lisko, Solicitor; Sylvia House, Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer; Rodney Eberly, Roadmaster/ Park Director; Jordan Manahan, Student Representative; Brad Graham, Administrator; and Jennifer Becknell, Secretary.

Murray called the meeting to order at 7:00 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. There were none.

An Alleman/Young motion passed 4-0-1 approving the minutes from the January 9, 2018 Regular Meeting. *(Baer abstained as he was absent from this meeting.)*

A Baer/Heraty motion passed 5-0 approving payment of the bills on the Treasurer's reports dated January 23, 2018.

Visitor, Jonathan Stough with RBC Wealth Management, provided an eight-page Year End Portfolio Review for 2017 to the Supervisors on the Antrim Township investments. Stough stated the analysis shows the face value of all investments with RBC as of December 2017 is \$21,203,000. This is an increase of \$508,000.00 over balances from June 2016, the time when RBC took over investments. The portfolio shows the recent purchases have been in the 2.30% to 2.55% range for 5-6-year maturities.

A Young/Alleman motion passed 5-0 granting the request from land development for 15332 Molly Pitcher Highway. Martin's Farm Trucks are seeking to add exterior steps to the basement and cover the back entrance with a roof. The area disturbed (approx. 90 square feet) will be over macadam parking, so no additional impervious area will be created.

An Alleman/Baer motion passed 5-0 granting the modification from §110-46(B) for 1050 Kauffman Road to allow a well to be 68' deep due to lack of a better source of water. Negley's provided a description of how the well will be encased.

A Heraty/Alleman motion passed 5-0 authorizing the Chairman to sign the Standard Maintenance and Monitoring Agreement for Paradise Estates Phase 1B lots 5 and 37.

John McCune, 7760 Stone Bridge Road, gave a power-point presentation sharing his perspective on the Martin Shale Pit Plan Amendment. Mr. McCune stated that at least a 100' section of tree screening, which is required by the Township ordinance, has been removed and that a required top soil berm was never constructed. Mr. McCune stated that the Township should not be entertaining an amendment as a cure for violations.

Township Solicitor asked Mr. McCune what he considered to be a reasonable solution. Mr. McCune responded the concealment of the mining operation should be restored with 16' trees which he knows will be an economic burden for DH Martin but should have been considered before they made the decision to clear cut so many trees.

Direction was given to staff to keep negotiating with DH Martin to bring this property into compliance with our ordinance requirements without any amendments. A proposal for corrections from DH Martin should be submitted to the Antrim Township Planning Commission.

A Heraty/Young motion passed 5-0 granting a 180-day extension for Rolling Hills PRD Phase 5 to allow time to obtain cost estimates on the work and to provide bonding.

A Heraty/Alleman motion passed 5-0 granting a bond reduction for Antrim Commons Business Park, lot 14, Ebberts Spring Court. Dewberry, Township engineer firm, has confirmed that the original Letter of Credit in the amount of \$132,313.50 can be reduced by \$66,798.60, leaving the new bond amount at \$65,514.90.

A Young/Heraty motion passed 5-0 granting a bond reduction for Antrim Commons Business Park, lot 14, Blaise Alexander. Dewberry, Township engineer, has confirmed that the original Letter of Credit in the amount of \$1,655,511.51 can be reduced by \$1,535,447.52, leaving the new bond amount at \$120,063.99.

A Heraty/Young motion passed 5-0 approving the Letter of Credit renewal for Towns on Hykes Road, to include an increase of 10%, as no work has commenced. The original Letter of Credit was for \$48,553.45, therefore by adding the 10% (\$4,855.35), the new Letter of Credit amount should be \$53,408.80 which shall be received no later than February 16, 2018.

An Alleman/Baer motion passed 5-0 approving the zoning request for Martin's Farm Truck to have the tract of land purchased behind his current business, 15332 Molly Pitcher Highway, be zoned HC (Highway Commercial), making it the same as his business.

Direction was given to staff to start the review process for the Ag Security Area application for 1165 Buchanan Trail East in conjunction with trying to reach a written agreement with the property owner to allow underground utilities through the farm.

The Roadmaster/Park Director reviewed with the Supervisors the bullet points from the report he posted. Direction was given to sort through the pile of wood from the Martins Mill Bridge renovation project with all sound, original wood being stored in the barn.

A Heraty/Young motion passed 5-0 approving the recommendation made by the Park Committee to rent the concession stand for a flat rate of \$900.00 per year, with \$450.00 due upon signing the agreement and \$450.00 due on July 1.

A Heraty/Alleman motion passed 5-0 approving the recommendation made by the Park Committee to create a third section to the dog park, which would be to the south side of the existing park and be used in rotation to help keep the grass well maintained in each section.

A Heraty/Alleman motion passed 5-0 approving the hiring of two new employees as follows: Cheryl Walburn for Custodian and light maintenance; and Crystal Mummert for Utility Billing and Administrative Clerk.

After presenting a letter from Quincy Township requesting support for opposition to the Transource Energy project, the issue died for a lack of a motion.

The funding request for the Allison-Antrim Museum was tabled until a concrete figure comes from Allison-Antrim Museum.

An Alleman/Young motion passed 4-1 (*Murray opposed*) appointing representatives to the committee being created regarding a municipal merger, which are as follows:

- Brad Graham, Antrim Township Administrator
- Mike Smith, Antrim Township Municipal Authority

- Hal Myers, Resident

A Heraty/Baer motion passed 5-0 approving the use of Township park and barn for Groundhog Jog, set for February 2, 2018.

Graham called for an Executive Session for a Real Estate matter.

Jordan Manahan, Student Representative, updated the Supervisors with the following: a GA middle schooler was recently diagnosed with Leukemia and is currently undergoing treatment. There are many fundraisers right now to help the family with costs; the GA boy's basketball team is currently ranked first in the Colonial Division, with senior Bryan Gembe nearing his 1,000 point goal; seniors and juniors are in full swing with second semester with many finishing college applications and applying for scholarships; the senior class trip will be to Kings Dominion.

Alleman reported that at the Rescue Hose Annual Banquet, the Antrim Township Board of Supervisors were awarded a plaque for their "continued support, cooperation and prompt assistance when called upon throughout the year". Alleman continued by stating that the combined fire and ambulance calls for Rescue Hose for 2017 was 2,228, of which 116 ambulance calls were to assist in Washington County.

Murray called for Public Comment. There were none.

A Heraty/Young motion passed 5-0 to adjourn the Regular Meeting, into Executive Session at 8:22 p.m.

A Heraty/Alleman motion passed 5-0 to adjourn the Executive Session, back into Regular Meeting at 9:09 p.m.

Murray stated that Real Estate matters were discussed and possible litigation. No decisions resulting from the discussion.

A Young/Heraty motion passed 5-0 to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Becknell
Board of Supervisors Secretary