

November 25, 2008 - Antrim Township Board of Supervisors

MINUTES OF THE ANTRIM TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS

REGULAR MEETING

November 25, 2008 7:00 P.M.

The Antrim Township Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, November 25, 2008 in the Antrim Township Municipal Building, 10655 Antrim Church Road, with the following present: Chairman Curtis Myers, Vice Chairman Fred Young III, James Byers, Rick Baer and Sam Miller. Others attending included John Lisko, Solicitor and Sylvia House, Zoning Officer.

Visitors: Bob Coladonato, Kimberly Smith and Dianne and Bob Smith.

Chairman Myers called the meeting to order at 7.00 p.m.

The meeting opened with prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Resolution #538: A Miller/Baer motion passed with unanimous vote to approve the payment of bills as listed on the computer printout dated November 25, 2008.

Resolution #539: A Miller/Baer motion passed with unanimous vote to grant a waiver of Chapter 125, Land Development Plan for Kim Smith to open a thrift store at 2276 Buchanan Trail West, as a permitted use in HC zoning.

Resolution #540: A Baer/Miller motion passed with unanimous vote to approve the land development plan for Glenwood Foods, Grindstone Hill Road extended.

Resolution #541: A Miller/Young motion passed with unanimous vote to grant a 180-day extension request to Castle Commons, Land Development Plan, Williamsport Pike to allow time for a highway occupancy permit to be obtained from PennDOT (Pennsylvania Department of Transportation.)

Resolution #542: A Myers/Miller motion passed with unanimous vote to release the current bond in the amount of \$32,000.00 for Rolling Hills Phase IIA as all improvements have been made.

Resolution #543: A Miller/Young motion passed with unanimous vote to authorize the reduction of the bond amount for Greencastle Church of God, land development plan, Buchanan Trail West. The new bond amount is \$11,704.00.

Resolution #544: A Miller/Baer motion passed with unanimous vote to extend the current bond in the amount of \$48,476.96 for Charles Pentz, land development, Buchanan Trail East as the majority of the work is complete.

Resolution #545: A Baer motion died for lack of a second to authorize the use of three excavating firms to assist the Township in plowing snow. Baer rescinded the motion as Supervisors requested more information.

Resolution #546: A Byers/Miller motion passed with unanimous vote to purchase Motorola radios from Compros at a cost of \$65,000.00 to upgrade the Township's communications system to be in compliance with a County/State mandate for emergency services. Roadmaster Paul Minnich said that if the radios were ordered by December 5, 2008 \$18,000.00 could be saved. The radios will include hand held, vehicle mounted and a base unit. The money for purchase of the radios has been budgeted in the capital reserve fund.

The Board of Supervisors agreed to meet Wednesday, December 31, 2008 at 11 a.m. to adopt the 2009 Budgets, to pay bills and any other business that comes before the Board.

Vice Chairman Young reported that the Shared Use Trail was almost complete and that work was on schedule at the Antrim Township Community Park expansion with the engineer stopping out as well as staff checking the progress.

Vice Chairman Young announced that Antrim Township was the recipient of a DCNR (Department of Conservation and Natural Resources) Grant in the amount of \$225,000.00 for add alternates at the Antrim Township Park to include a concession stand, skate board park and more. The Township is required to supply matching funds. Young credited Assistant Zoning Officer Lynda Beckwith with applying for the grant.

Supervisor Byers requested that the Board of Supervisors agendas be available Friday afternoon prior to the Tuesday meeting so that fellow Supervisors will know what is going to be discussed, citing the fact the contractors for snowplowing was not approved as Supervisors did not know that this was being requested and had not back up information provided. Residents in the audience requested that the agenda be placed on the web site on Fridays.

Resolution #547: A Miller/Baer motion passed with unanimous vote to call for an executive session at 8:30 p.m. to discuss a bond for Red Oaks Estates; a personnel item; and a tax appeal.

The executive session ended at 8:55 p.m. with Solicitor Lisko announcing the Board had discussed K. Hovnanian Homes, a personnel issue and a tax appeal filed by Farmer's Union Co-op.

Resolution #548: A Baer/Miller motion passed with four votes (Myers had left the meeting at this time) to hire Attorney Linus Fenicle at a rate of \$175.00 per hour to assist Solicitor Lisko in pulling the bond for Red Oaks Estates, which expires December 31, 2008. The work, as required by the bond, has not been completed in this development and a new bond has not been submitted.

Resolution #549: A Miller/Byers motion passed with four votes (Myers had left the meeting at this time) to acknowledge the tax appeal filed by Farmers Union Co-op.

Resolution #550: A Baer/Miller motion passed with four votes (Myers had left the meeting) to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce A. Nowell, Secretary