

Minutes of the Antrim Township Supervisors
Regular Meeting

October 13, 2020

7:00 PM

The Antrim Township Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, October 13, 2020 at the Antrim Township Municipal Building, located at 10655 Antrim Church Road, with the following members present: Pat Heraty, Chairman; John Alleman, Vice Chairman; Rick Baer, Fred Young and Chad Murray. Also attending was: John Lisko, Solicitor; Sylvia House, Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer; Brad Graham, Administrator; and Jennifer Becknell, Secretary/Treasurer

Heraty called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

Heraty commented that meetings are audio recorded and posted to the Township website.

Heraty called for Public Comment. There were none.

An Alleman/Murray motion passed 4-0-1 (*Rick Baer abstained as he did not attend this meeting*) to approve the minutes from the September 22, 2020 regular meeting.

An Alleman/Baer motion passed 3-0-2 (*Pat Heraty and Fred Young abstained as they did not attend this meeting*) to approve the minutes from the October 6, 2020 Budget Work Session.

A Murray/Baer motion passed 5-0 to approve the payment of the bills on the Treasurer's reports dated October 13, 2020.

A Young/Murray motion passed 5-0 approving the modification request for Grace Bible Church, Hoffman Road, allowing the use of a 9:1 loading ratio instead of 8:1. The Township's engineer firm, Dewberry, and the Antrim Township Planning Commission recommended granting this modification.

A Murray/Alleman motion passed 5-0 approving the modification request for Cedar Grove Mennonite Church, Williamsport Pike, for relief from § 125 (Land Development) and §126 (Stormwater). They are adding a 14'x 31' addition over existing macadam with no additional impervious area being created. The Antrim Township Planning Commission recommended granting this modification.

A Young/Murray motion passed 5-0 authorizing the Chairman to sign the Standard Stormwater Maintenance and Monitoring Agreement for 2205 Leitersburg Road.

A Murray/Baer motion passed 5-0 granting a 180-day extension to the Antrim Township Molly Pitcher Highway Property project. The Antrim Township Planning Commission recommended granting this modification.

A Murray/Alleman motion passed 5-0 authorizing staff to send the Sewer Facilities Exemption Mailer to DEP (Department of Environmental Protection) for ATAPCO Acquisitions LLC, Lot 1, Molly Pitcher Highway, adding 1,240 gpd (gallons per day) to the Antrim Township Municipal Authority sewer system, which is equal to six (6) Township EDU's.

A Young/Murray motion passed 5-0 approving the release of the Sewer Maintenance Security (Escrow) being held by the Antrim Township Municipal Authority for the Antrim Commons Business Park (ACBP), Lot 9, NorthPoint, in the amount of \$22,094.00, for the sewer line. The Antrim Township Public Works Director authorized the release of this security.

A Murray/Alleman motion passed 5-0 approving the annual bond review for Fayetteville Contractors to be renewed in the same amount of \$54,399.09. No work has occurred in the past year, but work had occurred the previous year without a reduction request.

A Murray/Baer motion passed 5-0 authorizing the release in full of the security bond being held for Antrim Commons Business Park (ACBP), Lot 1, Amended El Dorado Stone, in the amount of \$42,587.60. The engineer firm for Antrim Township, Dewberry, conducted their inspection and determined that this bond can be released in full.

Solicitor Lisko called for an Executive Session for a Real Estate matter.

Graham covered the update for the Public Works director, stating the following: on the Phase 2 Sewer Plant Expansion - the new electric service to be completed by October 22, 2020; there is a pre-construction meeting this Friday, October 16, 2020 at which we will receive construction schedule with possible ground breaking the week of November 2, 2020; General Contractor job trailer is on site; - Sewer and Water Plant operations going well; there was a social media uproar on water bills being much higher this quarter over last, to which most comments were from the residents in the Borough. Township personnel are addressing each call to the Township by checking meters, monitoring readings, and offering ways to troubleshoot their systems.

Graham updated the Supervisors on the financing for the Phase 2 Sewer Plant Expansion stating the following: PFM determined that the bank loan option would be the most expedient financing option for the Township instead of issuing a bond. PFM issued a Request for Proposal and had four (4) responses. The lowest interest rate was with Truist Bank (BB&T) at 1.23%, which is a fixed rate and can be paid off early with no penalties. It was decided to proceed with Truist Bank (BB&T) for the \$10,137,000 loan, of which \$7,448,598 will go towards the construction project and the remainder for the payoff of an existing loan with F&M Trust (2014 Series).

Young informed the Supervisors that at the Franklin County Association of Township Supervisors (FCATS) Fall Convention this Thursday night, there will be a vote called for a proposed Resolution to PSATS to present to the State Legislature for increasing the maximum LST rate from \$52.00 to \$104.00. Young explained that as emergency services costs are continuing to rise, this is a tool that municipalities could use to generate revenue for the much-needed services.

Murray announced that at their work session meeting on October 12, the Antrim Township Municipal Authority finalized the water agreement with Rochester Place.

Baer had no comments but was wished a Happy Birthday by all the Supervisors.

Alleman announced that Telecommunicator and Deputy Fire Chief Adam McNew passed away over the weekend as he was reporting to work at the Franklin County 911 Center.

Heraty called for Public Comments. There were none.

A Young/Murray motion passed 5-0 to adjourn the Regular meeting, in to Executive Session, at 7:26 p.m.

A Baer/Young motion passed 5-0 to adjourn the Executive Session, back in to the Regular Meeting, at 7:39 p.m.

Heraty stated that a Real Estate matter was discussed with no decision to announce.

A Murray/Young motion passed 5-0 to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Becknell
Board of Supervisors Secretary