

Minutes of the Antrim Township Supervisors
Regular Meeting

November 10, 2020

7:00 PM

The Antrim Township Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, November 10, 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; Roger Nowell, Public Works Director; and Jennifer Becknell, Secretary/Treasurer.

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

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

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

Heraty called for Public Comment. There were none.

A Murray/Alleman motion passed 5-0 to approve the minutes from the October 27, 2020 regular meeting.

A Baer/Alleman motion passed 5-0 to approve the payment of the bills on the Treasurer's reports dated November 10, 2020.

Amy Murray, President of Marion Volunteer Fire Department, and Steve Cummings, Deputy Chief, were present to give an update to the Board of Supervisors. Amy Murray gave the year-to-date call numbers for both EMS and Fire stating the following:

- 339 EMS calls, of which 64 were in Antrim Township, 40 which were transported
- 251 Fire calls, of which 41 were in Antrim Township

Amy Murray continued by reviewing their cancelled fund raiser events due to COVID-19 restrictions but announced that their Tuesday Bingo is up and running again. She reported that Marion VFD was able to secure some financial grants, which she stated were a tremendous help in day to day operations. After making modifications to their staffing schedule, Murray stated Marion is at their breakeven point and will not be increasing paid staff at this time.

Supervisor Chad Murray applauded Marion VFD for all their efforts in securing the available grants.

Supervisors Fred Young congratulated Marion VFD for finding ways to make do with less.

An Alleman/Murray motion passed 5-0 granting A. Duie Pyle, Phase 3, Molly Pitcher Hwy., the modification request from §125-10(C)(1)(e), stormwater infiltration system 50' from bedrock, with the stipulation recommended by Triad Engineering, geo-technical engineer, that the bmp be over-excavated by 2' and backfilled with the appropriate material. Dewberry and the Antrim Township Planning Commission recommended granting this modification.

A Murray/Baer motion passed 5-0 granting Whispering Willows Subdivision, Young Road, the modification request from §125-15(D), woodland preservation since the trees are a result of overgrowth and not quality woodlands and because they intend to recover about 60% of the trees by replanting them around the perimeter of the property, in open areas and in stormwater management areas, with a better quality of tree. The Antrim Township Planning Commission recommended granting this modification

An Alleman/Murray motion passed 5-0 for the Whispering Willows Subdivision, Young Road, stating the developer is to reconstruct North Young Road from the Hykes Road intersection to the southernmost end of the existing road right of way, with a width of 24' with full depth reclamation in accordance with the specification approved by the Roadmaster. The Antrim Township Planning Commission (ATPC) recommended this modification. The ATPC stated they would like to see North and South Young roads be connected.

A Murray/Alleman motion passed 5-0 granting Whispering Willows Subdivision, Young Road, the modification request from §125-17(E), sidewalks and shared use trails, allowing 5' sidewalks, instead of the 8' Shared Use Trail, along their local roads. The developer also proposes walking trails through their open space/wooded areas. It was stated that the Home Owners Association (HOA) would monitor the maintenance of sidewalks. Antrim Township Planning Commission recommended allowing the developer to construct 5' sidewalks on local roads.

A Young/Baer motion passed 5-0 granting modification from providing a maintenance bond for Scarlet Circle and Field View Drive in Red Oaks Estate, as the roads were built in 2016, have installed ADA accessible ramps per Township requirements, the roads are in good condition and will be dedicated before winter. The Antrim Township Planning Commission recommended granting this modification.

An Alleman/Murray motion passed 5-0 granting 7550 Talhelm Road the modification request to allow a well to be 80' from the septic drain field instead of the required 100', providing that a Hold Harmless Agreement is signed. The Antrim Township Planning Commission recommended granting this modification.

A Baer/Alleman motion passed 5-0 granting Dennis K. Rife Poultry Operation land development plan, Guitner Road/Stone Bridge Road, the modification request, allowing them to begin grading and installing E&S controls on the property before the plan is approved. The Franklin County Conservation District has approved the plan and most comments are satisfied.

An Alleman/Baer motion passed 5-0 granting a 180-day extension request to Greens of Greencastle Phase 6 and 7, Shannon Drive South. The Antrim Township Planning Commission recommended granting this extension.

A Murray/Baer motion passed 5-0 conditional approval of Greens of Greencastle Land Consolidation, lot addition, Castlegreen Drive and Shannon Drive, pending confirmation from GAFCWA (Greencastle Area Franklin County Water Authority), receipt of plans in State Plane 81 South and satisfaction of minor staff comments.

A Baer/Young motion passed 5-0 authorizing staff to send the RFPW-NBD (Request for Planning Waiver-Non Building Declaration) to DEP (Department of Environmental Protection) for Dennis K. Rife Poultry Operation, Guitner Road/Stone Bridge Road. No bathrooms are proposed in the poultry barn.

A Young/Baer motion passed 5-0 authorizing staff to send the RFPW-NBD (Request for Planning Waiver-Non Building Declaration) to DEP (Department of Environmental Protection) for Greens of Greencastle Land Consolidation, Castlegreen Drive and Shannon Drive. No construction is proposed with this lot addition plan.

The Zoning Officer reviewed excerpts from the TIS (Traffic Impact Study) for Antrim Commons Business Park (ACBP), lot 16, NorthPoint. After some discussion the Supervisors gave the Zoning Officer a list of concerns to address with the developer, which are as follows:

- Trucks accessing and exiting Milnor Road, even with a light
- Mason Dixon Road and Route 11
- Employees were the only ones that were to be accessing Ebberts Spring Court
- Confirm that there will not be a traffic light agreement with the Township until these traffic concerns are satisfied

Nowell updated the Supervisors on the progress of the Phase 2 Sewer Plant Expansion stating the following: ground breaking took place last Monday (he showed some pictures on the smart board) and showing great progress, with rebar work possibly starting in early December; loan financing documents were signed before the meeting tonight and closing will be on Thursday, November 12. Nowell also updated the Supervisors on the daily operations at the sewer and water plants, stating normal activities at both; a new Nitrogen year began on October 1; two separate water leaks were discovered on service lines, both on the customer side; the Municipal Authority provided some reduction in a couple of the cases concerning the high meter reading issue from the last billing; Township has a D0 drought status (abnormally low rainfall); the companies doing water source searches for the Township have been doing some testing and should have reports for us soon; Nowell stated he received an extension to the end of November to complete his training to maintain his HMI (Host Municipal Inspector) status and was able to complete a Landfill Inspection on Friday.

A Murray/Baer motion passed 5-0 approving the following four items:

1. 2021 Holiday dates for Township employees
2. 2021 Meeting Dates for all boards and authorize advertising
3. 2021 proposed operating budget for Franklin County Area Tax Board
4. The Representative for the Franklin County Area Tax Bureau and TCC (Tax Collection Committee) is Jennifer Becknell and her Alternate is Crystal Mummert

A Young/Alleman motion passed 5-0 approving the last meeting date in 2020 for the Board of Supervisors as Tuesday, December 29, 2020 at 11:00 a.m.

Graham reviewed the 2021 Budget summary spreadsheet with the Supervisors, explaining where the budget line numbers were derived from and answered questions from the Supervisors when asked what expense items made up certain fund categories. The Supervisors requested another week to review the 2021 Budget Line Item Report with the expectation that they will approve the 2021 Preliminary Budget at the November 17, 2020 Budget Work Session.

Baer encouraged everyone to thank a service person for what they give and a veteran for all they gave.

Young gave an update from Franklin County on election results and concerns on provisional ballots.

Heraty called for Public Comments. There were none.

An Alleman/Young motion passed 5-0 to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 8:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Becknell _____
Board of Supervisors Secretary