Minutes of the Antrim Township Supervisors Regular Meeting

November 9, 2021 7:00 PM

The Antrim Township Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, November 9, 2021 at the Antrim Township office, located at 10655 Antrim Church Road, Greencastle, PA, 17225. The following members present: John Alleman, Chairman; Rick Baer, Vice Chairman; Pat Heraty, Chad Murray and Fred Young. The following were also in attendance: John Lisko, Solicitor; Sylvia House, Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer; Roger Nowell, Public Works Director; Brad Graham, Administrator; and Jennifer Becknell, Secretary/Treasurer.

Alleman called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

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

Graham offered a word of prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Alleman called for Public Comment. There was none.

A Murray/Baer motion passed 5-0 to approve the minutes from the October 26, 2021 regular meeting.

A Heraty/Murray motion passed 5-0 to approve the payment of the bills on the Treasurer's reports dated November 9, 2021.

A Murray/Young motion passed 5-0 granting the modification request for the Antrim Township Community Park Maintenance Building plan, Conococheague Lane, for §125-15(F)(2), Landscape requirements, allowing relief from landscaping 10% of the property to 10% of the area of disturbance. The Antrim Township Planning Commission recommended granting this modification request.

A Heraty/Murray motion passed 5-0 granting the modification request for 9390 Antrim Church Road, for relief from §125 (Land Development) and §126 (Stormwater), for a 7,200 SF addition to their existing machine shop. The additional impervious area will drain to and infiltrate into the existing farm and not onto neighboring properties. The Antrim Township Planning Commission recommended granting the modification.

The Supervisors decided to skip the agenda item concerning the Atapco Acquisitions Lot 1 Traffic Signal Agreement until after the Executive Session later in the meeting.

The agenda item for Rolling Hills PRD Phase 4 and 8 Agreement was tabled by the Zoning Officer as the Township has not received the signed copy of this agreement.

A Heraty/Young motion passed 5-0 granting both Whispering Willows, North Young Road, and ACBP (Antrim Commons Business Park), Lot 7R, Molly Pitcher Highway, 180-day extensions. The Antrim Township Planning Commission recommended granting this extension.

A Heraty/Young motion passed 5-0 granting Vision-Hykes Road LLC, lot 1, Hykes Road, a 90-day extension for their Sewer Facility Planning Module.

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A Young/Murray motion passed 5-0 approving the general Letter of Credit renewal for Rolling Hills Phase 6 with a 10% increase as no additional work has been completed. The new total of \$48,913.39 shall be received no later than noon on January 7, 2021.

A Murray/Heraty motion passed 5-0 approving the sewer improvements Letter of Credit renewal for Rolling Hills Phase 6 with a 10% increase as no additional work has been completed. The new total of \$1,996.50 shall be received no later than noon on January 7, 2021.

A Young/Heraty motion passed 5-0 granting the use of a holding tank for 1215 Buchanan Trail West, allowing Cedar Hill Cemetery to install a bathroom in their maintenance building, as the sewer service is approximately 250' away from the building. The Antrim Township Planning Commission recommended granting their request for a holding tank.

The Public Works Director updated the Supervisors on the progress of the Phase 2 Sewer Plant Expansion and reported on the work being completed by the Sewer and Water Departments. The Director also stated he had two requests to present to the Board of Supervisors.

A Murray/Baer motion passed 5-0 increasing the cost per gallon of sludge being brought in from other municipalities for processing by the Antrim Township Municipal Authority (ATMA). The current price is .04 cents per gallon and the new rate shall be .06 cents per gallon, or higher if the calculations show that the cost of chemicals to treat requires a higher rate.

A Young/Heraty motion passed 5-0 to follow the recommendation of the Antrim Township Municipal Authority (ATMA) supporting the request for disconnection of sewer lines at 12903 Williamsport Pike, Greencastle, PA. The owner must follow the procedure for disconnection and work with staff to find and cap both sewer lines on this property. The unpaid sewer bill must first be paid in full and then following proper termination of sewer service to this property, relief from paying any future sewer bill will be granted.

A Young/Heraty motion passed 5-0 approving the contract renewal with Pennsylvania PERCS Inc. and authorized the Chairman to sign the agreement.

The Supervisors unanimously agreed to move the discussion of the 2022 Budget until after the Executive Session.

Young congratulated two audience attendees, Albert Miller and Jan Shafer, on their recent wins at the polls for Borough Council of Greencastle. Young suggested the Borough and Township combine their "swearing-in" oath ceremonies for newly elected officers and have Judge Cunningham officiate at the Borough Hall.

Alleman called for Public Comment.

Robert Smith, 7498 Angle Road, asked for clarification of who is not returning to the Planning Commission, as he saw an announcement that there were openings. It was explained that there are two people with expiring terms, who can apply for re-appointments, but the Township does announce the vacancy to the public to allow for letters of interest.

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Michael Miller, representing NorthPoint asked for clarification on the synchronization method for their lights at Milnor Road/Molly Pitcher Highway/Sarah Susan Lane and for the light at Mason Dixon Road and Molly Pitcher Highway. Staff and Township Solicitor both confirmed that the Supervisors made the motion for the wireless radio system. There was discussion to whether there was a need to continue with the Donation Agreement. The Supervisors asked Mr. Miller to stay until after the Executive Session was conducted as they would discuss the matter in the Executive Session.

A Murray/Young motion passed 5-0 to adjourn the Regular meeting, into Executive Session, at 7:48 PM.

A Murray/Heraty motion passed 5-0 to adjourn the Executive Session, back into the Regular meeting, at 9:02 PM.

Alleman announced that the Executive Session was held to discuss legal matters.

To Mr. Michael Miller of NorthPoint, Township Solicitor asked him to have their attorney contact him on this matter, stating that it is the Board of Supervisors position that once the Township decided to go with the wireless radio instead of the fiber optics option, NorthPoint is expected to pay 100% of the cost and feel it is adequately covered under the traffic light agreement, making the Donation Agreement unnecessary.

To the Atapco representatives present, the Township Solicitor stated that he would be sending Sam Wiser, Counsel for Atapco, and the Township's insurance carrier, the revisions he made to the Traffic Light Agreement.

Township Administrator stated that staff was still entering budget numbers today and that he would prepare an email for the Supervisors outlining the big-ticket items ahead of the planned November 16 budget work session.

A Heraty/Murray motion passed 5-0 to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 9:06 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Becknell Board of Supervisors Secretary