

Minutes of the Antrim Township Supervisors
Regular Meeting with Public Hearing

September 26, 2023

7:00 PM

The Antrim Township Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, September 26, 2023, at the Antrim Township office, located at 10655 Antrim Church Road, Greencastle, PA, 17225. The following board members were present: Chad Murray, Chairman; Fred Young, Vice Chairman; and John Alleman. The following were also in attendance: John Lisko, Solicitor; Chris Ardinger, Administrator; Sylvia House, Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer; and Jennifer Becknell, Secretary/Treasurer. *(Supervisors Rick Baer and Pat Heraty were absent.)*

Murray called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Murray announced that the meetings are recorded and will be available on the Township website.

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

Murray called for Public Comment.

Bill Blair, 2444 McDowell Road, announced that there will be a community meeting held at 6:30 p.m., on October 17, 2023, at the Shady Grove Community Center, hosted by Antrim Township Citizens for Safe Water (ATCSW). Mr. Blair continued by stating this meeting will explain what ATCSW is trying to achieve, explain what FPR (Food Processing Residual) is, give updates on the contaminated wells in the area and updates on the ongoing legal battle. Mr. Blair said there will be yard signs for sale as part of a fund raiser that will help get the word out about ATCSW. Mr. Blair asked that the Township send invites on township letterhead to Paul Schemel, Rob Kauffman, Doug Mastriano and the local DEP office.

An Alleman/Young motion passed 3-0 approving the minutes from the September 12, 2023, Regular Meeting.

An Alleman/Young motion passed 3-0 approving the payment of the bills on the Treasurer's reports dated September 26, 2023.

Alleman introduced the visitors listed on the agenda as being representatives from WellSpan who are here tonight at the request of the Township to discuss their roll in emergency services as they are to be filling the needs left by the exit of Medic2. Alleman stated Antrim Township expects the same level of service, or better, that was had with Medic2. Alleman said the Township is required to know how each EMS provider operates. Alleman turned the floor over to WellSpan.

Chris Krichten, Senior Director of Emergency Management and Prehospital Services, introduced himself and the two others with him, Angela Boateng and Chad Deardorff. Mr. Krichten apologized for not being in touch sooner, but stated WellSpan had a large growth at once and it has taken some time to organize. Mr. Krichten stated it is the goal of WellSpan to provide the same or better service given by Medic2. Mr. Krichten stated he travels a lot to their many service areas to remain involved and see firsthand how service levels are being met.

Angela Boateng, Solicitor for WellSpan Health, stated she would reach out to the Township Solicitor to receive the 2nd Class Township Code for review to ensure compliance.

Chad Deardorff, Director of Emergency Management and Prehospital Services stated that he would be giving everyone his direct contact information and encouraged everyone to call him if there is ever an issue.

Mr. Krichten stated that WellSpan is here to support local EMS, not take over, to make sure there is adequate coverage for the residents.

Alleman mentioned that the Franklin County Association of Township Officials will be having their 2023 Fall Convention on October 26, 2023, at the Franklin Fire Station in Chambersburg and stated this would be a good place for WellSpan to address the entire Franklin County municipalities.

A Murray/Alleman motion passed 3-0 approving the Water Service Maintenance Agreement with GAFCWA (Greencastle Area Franklin County Water Authority) for the Antrim Township Molly Pitcher Highway project.

A Young/Alleman motion passed 3-0 authorizing the release in full of the bond being held for Greencastle Veterinary Hospital, in the amount of \$120,204.00. The Township engineer firm, Dewberry, has reviewed the as-built drawing and confirmed that the security may be released.

A Young/Alleman motion passed 3-0 approving the Bear Peak Antrim LLC Conditional Use Decision.

A Young/Alleman motion passed 3-0 authorizing the Chairman to sign the Bear Peak Antrim LLC Conditional Use Decision.

The Administrator gave a brief update on the tasks being completed for the Township, which included the following: personally have started the road scholar program; boom mowing; lower manhole and extend culvert pipe on Bemisderfer Road; repair washout on Long Lane; cold mixing; trimming trees in developments; building block storage bins below the salt shed for loose stone piles; mowing of the Township property on Route 11; open house scheduled for park maintenance building for October 18 from 10am-6:30pm; meeting scheduled for October 12 with Supervisors and Doug Mastriano, Paul Schemel and local DEP representative to discuss FPR; and connecting with HOA's (Home Owner Associations) to better handle distribution of updates and information to the developments.

An Alleman/Young motion passed 3-0 approving Workers' Compensation coverage for Rescue Hose Fire Police for the following two events, should the Fire Police decide to participate: Fulton Fall Folk Festival Parade (October 21) and the Mercersburg Halloween Parade (October 30).

The Administrator gave a brief update on the Greenmount Road project, stating that it is moving slowly. The Township's engineer firm on this project, C.S. Davidson, is applying for an extension to PennDOT to allow a longer paving period.

Alleman asked the Roadmaster to contact PennDOT about the intersection of Hollowell Church Road and State Line Road, as another accident has occurred, to see if this intersection can become a 4-way stop.

Young commented that he has noticed a positive change in staff and thanked staff for all they do daily.

Murray commented that the Township staff is amazing and appreciates all that is getting done.

Young called for Public Comment.

Bill Blair, representing Antrim Township Citizens for Safe Water, encouraged all citizens to visit their website: www.antrimsafewater.org

Cheryl Mowen, President of Rescue Hose, relating back to the WellSpan visitors, commented that we need to build good communication lines in both directions so we can truly service our community the best we can.

Kevin Barns, Rescue Hose Fire Chief, stated that October 8 -14 is Fire Prevention Week and Rescue Hose will have a Fire Prevention Awareness event at the station on October 7, from 10am to 2pm.

An Alleman/Young motion passed 3-0 to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 8:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Becknell
Board of Supervisors Secretary