

Minutes of the Antrim Township Supervisors
Regular Meeting

January 23, 2024

7:00 PM

The Antrim Township Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, January 23, 2024, at the Antrim Township office, located at 10655 Antrim Church Road, Greencastle, PA, 17225. The following board members were present: Fred Young, Chairman; Pat Heraty, Vice Chairman; John Alleman, Rick Baer and Chad Murray. The following were also in attendance: John Lisko, Solicitor; Chris Ardinger, Administrator/Roadmaster; Sylvia House, Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer; and Jennifer Becknell, Secretary/Treasurer.

Young called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

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

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

Young called for Public Comment.

Bill Blair, 2444 McDowell Road, representing Antrim Township Citizens for Safe Water, commented that Jones Trucking is still hauling as he was traveling north on I-81 and was behind one of their trucks. Mr. Blair also stated that Representative Paul Friel (East Coventry Township) was at the recent Farm Show. At the show Rep. Friel stated that he has had a discussion with the Secretary of Agriculture concerning FPR (Food Processing Residual) and he also said that Franklin County is a hot spot for FPR.

A Murray/Heraty motion passed 5-0 approving the minutes from the January 9, 2024, Regular meeting.

An Alleman/Heraty motion passed 5-0 approving the payment of the bills on the Treasurer's reports dated January 23, 2024.

Vistors, Eric Grace and Suzanne Tinelli, both with Creek Cleanup Project (CCP) were invited to the meeting to give a little detail on what they do. Mr. Grace stated that CCP is a registered 5013C non-profit organization since 2019 and takes a very aggressive approach to cleaning up our local creeks. Mr. Grace continued by stating they have covered all 93 miles of the Conococheague Creek, with many sections done multiple times, and have removed 52 tones of trash. This equates to more than a 1,000 lbs. of trash per mile of the creek. Mr. Grace said they are a 100% volunteer group who want nice waterways for the sake of the environment and recreation. Mr. Grace said they are 100% donation funded and have operating costs that include such items as insurance, vehicle maintenance, trash and tire disposal, and equipment items such as winches, digging bars, nets, straps, rope, waders, trash bags, canoes and paddles.

A Heraty/Baer motion passed 5-0 granting a 90-day plan extension for Greencastle (Buchanan) DGS, Buchanan Trail West.

A Heraty/Alleman motion passed 5-0 conditionally approving five (5) financial security reductions for the following, based on the recommendations of the Township engineer firm, Dewberry, once received:

1. 2017 Greenmount Road LLC, Lot 1, general site work reduction;
2. 2017 Greenmount Road LLC, Lot 1, road relocation reduction;
3. Rolling Hills PRD, Phase 6, general site work reduction;
4. Rolling Hills PRD, Phase 7, general site work reduction;
5. Rolling Hills PRD, Phase 9, general site work reduction.

A Heraty/Alleman motion passed 5-0 approving the financial security being held for 2017 Greenmount Road LLC, Lot 1, for the Antrim Township Municipal Authority (ATMA) utility work, be renewed in the same amount of \$90,474.50.

A Heraty/Alleman motion passed 5-0 authorizing staff to advertise for a public hearing to begin the denial process for the Agricultural Security Addition for Larry E. and Grace E. Meyers, 752 Zarger Road.

Review of the publishers for Codification was tabled as the quotes received were not submitted in comparable format.

Solicitor called for an Executive Session.

Ardinger gave an update on the following departments:

- Roads: spent the last week dealing with snow events; had minimal issues and complaints from the snow events; mentioned that going forward, if drifting could be an issue, they will have group A and group B so someone is always on duty; widening Meyers Road; tearing down buildings on Murray property out at the park.
- Public Works: 1998 Ford Explorer has been posted to Municibid with reserve price already met; Lift Station #5 is back up and operational; Forced Main replacement went well on Gearhard Road with the Road Crew assisting on this project; looking into a public water hookup to supply other municipalities who have a need; Rochester Place water supply is coming along well.
- Parks: barn dismantling will be completed this week; the road crew is helping to put doors on the storage building at Murray property.
- Administrator: moving forward on phone system.

An Alleman/Heraty motion passed 5-0 approving Workers' Compensation insurance for the Rescue Hose Police should they participate with the Kruzin for K9's event set for May 18, 2024.

Murray stated he thinks the snow plowing went smoothly and thanked both the road crew and the inside staff. Murray mentioned that Robert Wertime has extensive traffic data regarding the area of Grant Shook Road at Route 16.

Baer also thanked the road crew for doing such a good job with the past snow events. Baer commented that he could definitely tell the Township plowed roads from the State (PennDOT) plowed roads, with the Township roads being far better.

Alleman gave a recap of the snow related incidents that required assistance from Rescue Hose.

Heraty thanked staff for their job performance during the snow events and said public comments were overall positive.

Young stated that he has been plowing snow for the Township since 2008 and said that this past snow event was well planned, and the route realignments are great. Young praised the job that Tom is doing with the Road Crew.

Young called for Public Comment.

Connie Slye, 801 Zarger Road, had two comments concerning the granary at 752 Zarger Road. Slye stated that the small dryer silo is the main culprit for the dust. And secondly, Slye suggested that a "No Right

Turn” sign would be great for the trucks exiting the granary. This will avoid them turning wide, entering into the oncoming traffic lane, and it would keep them off of the small narrow bridge on Zarger.

A Heraty/Alleman motion passed 5-0 to adjourn the regular meeting, into Executive Session, at 8:04 p.m.

A Heraty/Murray motion passed 5-0 to adjourn the Executive Session, back to the regular meeting, at 8:58 p.m.

Young announced that the Bear Peak appeal, legal advice, potential litigation, and personnel matters were discussed during the Executive Session.

A Heraty/Alleman motion passed 5-0 to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 8:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Becknell
Board of Supervisors Secretary