

February 5, 2008 - Antrim Township Board of Supervisors

MINUTES OF THE ANTRIM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

WORK-SESSION

Tuesday, February 5, 2008

The Antrim Township Supervisors Work-session Meeting was called to order at 4:34 P.M. by Chairman Myers in the Antrim Township Municipal Building @ 10,655 Antrim Church Road. Present were Chairman Curtis Myers, Vice Chairman Fred Young, III, James Byers, Sam Miller, and Rick Baer; Manager Ben Thomas, Jr.; Zoning Officer Angela Garland; Roadmaster Paul Barnett; Visitors (as listed on the sign in sheet) along with those who did not sign in.

There were no public comments. Fred Young, III announced he was audio recording the meeting.

A brief discussion was held concerning proposed 2008 roadway improvement projects with the Roadmaster.

Resolution #115, a Young / Miller motion to flexible base (FB) leveling coarse and flexible base paving overlay for (1) Talhelm Road from Strite Road north to Marion Road at the same width with the exception of a section of the road to be widened as determined by the Supervisors; (2) Strite Road, widen to 18 feet with FB leveling coarse and overlay; (3) All of McDowell Road, FB leveling coarse and overlay at the pre-existing width. Myers, Young, Miller, and Baer voted aye. Byers voted nay. Motion carried 4-1.

Resolution #116, a Miller / Myers motion authorized FB leveling coarse and overlay at the pre-existing width for (1) Grant Shook Road (except between Shanks Church Road and Weaver Road); and (2) Filer Road. Motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

Both resolutions will require sealed bidding and budget review at the time of bid opening.

Supervisors welcomed Mike Ross, Franklin County Area Development Corporation (FCADC), and Gary Gembe, President, Greencastle-Antrim Area Development Corporation (GAADC). Mr. Ross gave an overview of economic development with discussion regarding I-81 future widening; the Harrisburg and Washington, D.C. beltway moving in this direction; Letterkenny showing a strong economy with both governmental and private industry opportunities; Ft. Ritchie re-development; work-force development issues with the current unemployment rate at 3.2%; lack of available light industrial land; I-81 Exit 3 opportunities; municipal management of infrastructure needs.

Mr. Gembe advised that the GAADC is trying to create more jobs per acre by utilizing five to ten acre light industrial sites and has a contract on 50 acres of land that they are further exploring. He gave a historical perspective of GAADC dating back to 1959. GAADC Board Member Fred Frederick, P.E., discussed I-81 Interchange #3 upgrade needs and preliminary plans for a 50 acre GAADC Industrial Park. GAADC did an impact study on jobs and costs for the Gayman lands adjacent and east of the Interchange.

A brief discussion was then held regarding transportation impact fees.

Both Mr. Ross and Mr. Gembe affirmed that their corporations are not developers. They are facilitators keeping an inventory of available land and structures and arrange visits and search for loans and grants.

Supervisors discussed (1) setting up a meeting with the Greencastle-Antrim School Board; (2) How many acres would be needed for a proposed Government Center at the 800 S. Antrim Way site.

Resolution #117, a Young / Bear motion authorized the release of Cashier's Check #181884 for Antrim

Stonemill Estates (Tex and Betty Myers) as the work required to be completed according to the approved subdivision plan has been waived by action of the Antrim Township Municipal Authority who chose not to enforce the encroachment of fill materials on the Authority's right-of-way. Supervisors acknowledge the stormwater pond was not constructed in accordance with the September 14, 2004 approved land development plan. An amendment to this plan shall be prepared according to the Municipal Authority's desire to allow the stormwater pond fill materials in the sewer right-of-way. Costs of the plan amendment and recording shall be reimbursed to the Township by Tex and Betty Myers. Motion passed 5-0.

Supervisors agreed to have Martin & Martin, Inc. Engineer Joe McDowell be present at the February 19, 2008 Work-session at 4:30 P.M. to conduct a table-top exercise concerning the 800 S. Antrim Way property. The Park Committee discussion will commence at approximately 5:00 P.M.

The Work-session adjourned at 6:41 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

By: _____

Ben Thomas, Jr. *Manager*