

July 28, 2009 - Antrim Township Board of Supervisors

MINUTES OF THE ANTRIM TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS

REGULAR MEETING

July 28, 2009 7:00 p.m.

The Antrim Township Board of Supervisors held a regular meeting on Tuesday, July 28, 2009 in the Antrim Township Municipal Building, 10655 Antrim Church Road, with the following present: Supervisors Fred Young III, Sam Miller and James Byers. Others attending included John Lisko, Solicitor; Brad Graham; Township Administrator, and Sylvia House, Zoning Officer. Chairman Curtis Myers, Vice Chairman Rick Baer and Student Representative to the Board of Supervisors, Peter Oppliger were absent from the meeting.

Visitors: See attached sign-in sheet.

Supervisor Young called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. The meeting opened with prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

A Byers/Miller motion passed 3-0 (Myers and Baer were absent) to appoint Supervisor Young as temporary chairman for tonight's meeting.

A Byers/Young motion passed 3-0 (Myers and Baer were absent) to approve the regular meeting minutes of July 14, 2009; and the work session meeting minutes of July 22, 2009.

A Byers/Young motion passed 3-0 (Myers and Baer were absent) to approve the bills on the Treasurer's reports dated July 28, 2009.

Brad Graham, Township Administrator addressed the Supervisors regarding the recommendations from the Antrim Township Municipal Authority for the Sludge Digester/Drier project. The ATMA recommends trying to pursue Penn-Vest funding that would likely result in a loan and to not continue with the design work until funding is secured. He noted that the digester and the drier both have to be done together; we cannot just do the digester alone. He also noted that the Penn-Vest loan can be declined if we do not wish to continue with the project at all.

A Byers/Miller motion passed 3-0 (Myers and Baer were absent) to approve the ATMA's recommendation for the Sludge Digester/Drier project to pursue Penn-Vest funding that would likely result in a loan and to not continue with the design work until funding is secured.

Brad Graham, Township Administrator addressed the Supervisors regarding quotes he received for a new air conditioning unit for the Township building since the current unit went out last week. He received three quotes with the lowest being \$4,000.00. Mr. Graham went with the company with the lowest quote of \$4,000.00 and the new unit will be delivered Thursday and installed on Monday.

Brad Graham, Township Administrator reviewed the bids for the Sewer Plant Headworks project with the Supervisors and the contractor with the lowest bid was Derstine Co., LLC with a bid of \$67,500.00. Brinjac Engineering and the Antrim Township Municipal Authority recommended accepting this bid for the project.

A Miller/Byers motion passed 3-0 (Myers and Baer were absent) to award the bid from Derstine Co., LLC for the Sewer Plant Headworks project with a bid amount of \$67,500.00.

Mr. Graham also let the Supervisors know that the ATMA approved the bid awards for the removal of Lift Station's 15 and 16. These bids did not have to be presented to the Supervisors because they will be paid from the ATMA's Repair and Improvement fund.

A Byers/Young motion passed 3-0 (Myers and Baer were absent) to authorize Mary Klein, Secretary/Treasurer and Brad Graham, Township Administrator to implement a Procurement Card program offered through PLGIT that would pay incentives/rebates for purchases and vendor invoice payments made on the card.

A Byers/Miller motion passed 3-0 (Myers and Baer were absent) to approve a modification request from Chapter 125 and 126 for ATMA lift station #15 since the site is small and the improvements being made are minor changes.

Plans for Kingsbrook Meadows, a 14 lot subdivision on McClanahan Road and Sheetz, Buchanan Trail East/Grindstone Hill Road were tabled due to the plans not being ready for approval at this time.

A Byers/Miller motion passed 3-0 (Myers and Baer were absent) to approve a final plan for Hal and Nina Myers, a 4-lot residential subdivision on Gearhart Road.

A Miller/Byers motion passed 3-0 (Myers and Baer were absent) to approve a final plan for Marvin and Linda Long, a 1-lot addition on Fletcher Drive.

A Miller/Byers motion passed 3-0 (Myers and Baer were absent) to approve an Exemption Mailer from a Sewer Facilities Planning Module for Frank Thomas for the Sunbodies property.

A Byers/Miller motion passed 3-0 (Myers and Baer were absent) to approve a Request from Planning Waiver – Non-building Declaration for Century Commercial Park.

Temporary Chairman Young called for Public Comment.

Colin Beegle, a resident of the Township, addressed the Supervisors regarding a complaint of weeds on his neighbor's property. He stated that he served on the Township's Board of Supervisors from 1976-1980 and he is asking that the current Supervisors enact a Weed Ordinance. Mr. Beegle submitted a petition to the Supervisors with fifteen residents' signatures encouraging the Supervisors to enact a Weed Ordinance. The Board of Supervisors advised Mr. Beegle that they would look into the matter further and would see about enacting a Weed Ordinance. Sylvia House, Zoning Officer addressed the Supervisors regarding the issue and stated that DEP already enforces weed complaints for the State.

Several residents from Coseytown Road addressed the Supervisors regarding several complaints they have for fill that is being hauled to a resident's property on Coseytown Road.

Charles Shahan, a resident on Coseytown Road is concerned about the excessive dump truck traffic and wants to know who will be liable for fixing the road and has safety concerns.

The Supervisors addressed the residents and stated that the Army Corps of Engineers have issued a permit for three years for the site where the fill is being hauled. The only thing the Township can do is have an engineer conduct a traffic study on the road to enact a weight limit on the road. The cost to perform the traffic study is \$3,000.00. The Township has already contacted the Pennsylvania State Police to conduct weight checks on the dump trucks that are traveling on the road. The Township has also contacted Mary Ann Sheaffer from the Conservation District who is in charge of overseeing the project and has visited the site and thinks the fill that is being dumped is acceptable.

Keith Meyers of 3667 Coseytown Road is concerned about there being no erosion control.

Mr. Shahan would like the Supervisors to contact the Army Corps of Engineers to find out the intent and duration of the project.

Kenneth Wagner submitted photos to the Supervisors showing the damages to Coseytown Road and to show the fill that is being dumped at the job site.

Olivia Bonzinger, another Coseytown Road resident stated she is concerned for the safety of the

children going to school because the trucks are traveling too fast on the road.

Another resident Charles Rhine is concerned that there are civilians doing the work and would like to find out who requested the permit. He is also concerned that the fill is being brought in from Jonathan Street in Hagerstown, MD and wonders if any of it has been tested. The Franklin County Conservation District made them put in a pipe at the job site area. He is also concerned that Coseytown road is a narrow road and feels that accidents are going to happen.

Tom Bowen, 4096 Coseytown Road is concerned about soil conservation and what will happen if the pipe that was put in collapses or fills up with branches.

Another resident of 4128 Coseytown Road is concerned about water coming out onto the Township road.

Brad Graham, Township Administrator addressed the residents and stated that the Township will provide contact information for the Army Corps of Engineers, DEP and the Franklin County Conservation District so they can contact each agency and file formal complaints. The contact information should be on the Township's website by tomorrow morning.

One resident stated that an Environmental Impact Statement has to be done at the site.

Ruth Rine, another Coseytown Road resident is concerned that Coseytown Road is becoming the dumping site for Washington County.

Warren Eichelberger, another Coseytown Road resident is concerned about the school buses that will soon be traveling this road. He thinks the Township should just close the road and implement weight restrictions.

Vonda Hainey, another Coseytown Road resident is concerned for the safety of her children.

Jerry Mulka, another Coseytown Road resident said he has bought his own "Watch Children" signs.

A Miller/Young motion passed 3-0 (Myers and Baer were absent) to proceed with a traffic study on Coseytown Road and allow Township staff to negotiate the cost with other engineers with the cost not to exceed \$3,000.00.

A Byers/Miller motion passed 3-0 (Myers and Baer were absent) to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary A. Klein

Secretary/Treasurer