Benner Township Supervisors November 20, 2000

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Benner Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by the Chairman, Michael Kelleher with members Richard Lahr and Dave Breon present. Also in attendance were Ed Kopp, Tracey Gardner, Sue Tressler, Ed Tressler, Doug Weikel, and Tom Walker.

PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

<u>Tracey Gardner</u>: Mr. Gardner was present to discuss with the Board the situation with Fullington's buses continuing to cross the centerline of the road when entering and exiting their facility after the intersection improvements have been made. Mr. Gardner noted that he doesn't know what else to do about this matter other than having the State Police issue citations for the violations. Discussion was held.

Mrs. Tressler asked that she be copied on all correspondence dealing with Airport Park so that she can be kept abreast of what is going on in the event that she can assist in any way.

Mr. Gardner stated that Fullington's said that they informed the drivers of the problem and asked them to be more careful but nothing seems to be working.

The Board asked that a written plan from the Fullington's be presented to the Board by the December 4th meeting on how they plan to rectify this situation.

<u>Ed Kopp</u>: Mr. Kopp was present to inquire what information the Board has on the well contamination that has been detected at the airport. Mr. Breon noted that they have only found one well that was contaminated. This well is located outside the newest general aviation building. DEP is currently requiring Penn State to drill monitoring wells around the contaminated one. A DEP phone number was given to Mr. Kopp to call to have his water tested.

Mr. Kopp presented a petition signed by residents of Walnut Grove Estates asking that two low areas on Big Hollow Road be raised with culverts being installed so the areas don't flood the road anymore. Mr. Kelleher noted that

the township has explored making these changes but the costs estimates involved were cost prohibitive on the Township's budget. The Board asked Mr. Weikel to pull his files on these estimates.

Discussion was also held about approaching Penn State to see if access from Walnut Grove through the University property would be an option for residents to get out if Big Hollow Road would ever flood again.

It was noted that the Board would ask Penn State if they would place Mr. Kopp on their list of wells that they are testing yearly.

<u>Ed Tressler</u>: Mr. Tressler noted that he also is concerned about the water quality in the area of the airport. Mr. Breon gave Mr. Tressler the phone number of DEP as well. Mr. Tressler noted that he called for pricing for the TCE test to find out that the test costs \$150.

Mr. Tressler also questioned why the township wasn't notified of the problem only finding out about it when the story was published in the newspaper.

Mr. Tressler noted that he has had problems with his water quality in the past when the sewer line was installed and the Alexander Well field was being test pumped.

Mr. Kelleher moved that if DEP refuses to test Mr. Tressler's well that the township will have his water tested for him. Mr. Lahr seconded the motion. Vote: Mr. Breon – yes Mr. Lahr – yes Mr. Kelleher – yes

<u>Tom Walker:</u> Mr. Walker questioned the Board what was going to be done to the roads in Crestview for this winter since the sewerline installation has them ripped up. Mr. Weikel noted that BCBC coat is scheduled for Tuesday or Wednesday of this week.

MINUTES

The minutes of November 6, 2000, were presented to the Board for their review and comments. Mr. Lahr moved to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Breon seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Breon – yes Mr. Lahr – yes Mr. Kelleher – yes

BILLS

The bills of November 20, 2000, were presented to the Board for their review and approval. Mr. Breon moved to approve the bills as presented. Mr. Lahr seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Breon – yes Mr. Lahr – yes Mr. Kelleher – yes

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Mr. Weikel was present to go over the items that he has been reviewing on the Township's behalf.

OLD BUSINESS

<u>Spring Townsip Agreement/boundary change:</u> It was noted that signatures may now be obtained.

<u>Patton Township/Benner Township Boundary:</u> Tabled.

<u>Road Crew Employee:</u> The Board reviewed the current draft of the job description. Amendments were made to the draft.

<u>Concrete Floor Bids:</u> Mr. Breon moved to award the concrete floor bids to the low bidder R. H. Bailey Construction in the amount of \$19,200. Mr. Lahr seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Breon – yes Mr. Lahr – yes Mr. Kelleher – yes <u>Appreciation Dinner:</u> The board decided to hold an appreciation dinner for Board and

Committee members as well as employees at the Bellefonte Moose on December 21st.

<u>Handicapped ramp:</u> Discussion was held on the slope of the ramp area.

NEW BUSINESS

<u>2001 Budget:</u> Mr. Lahr moved to tentatively adopt the Township's 2001 budget. Mr. Breon seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Breon – yes Mr. Lahr – yes Mr. Kelleher – yes

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board acknowledged receipt of the following correspondence:

- 1. HRG Comment Letters
 - a. Fleetwood Farms Subdivision
 - b. Penn Skates
 - c. Handy Delivery Storage Expansion
- 2. County Comment Letters
 - a. Robinson Farm II Lot 5 Reclassification
 - b. Penn Skates Land Development
- 3. Centre County Conservation District Comment Letters
 - a. Penn Dot/HRI, Inc.
 - b. Penn Dot/Glenn O. Hawbaker, Inc.
 - c. Penn Dot/New Enterprise Stone & Lime Co.
 - d. Penn Dot/A & L Inc.
- 4. SCBWA water depth measurements
- 5. Copy of letter from Centre Lime & Stone Co. Re: Reactivation of railroad tracks (SR 26)
- 6. SBWJA minutes
- 7. PSATS Alert

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned the time being 10:10 p.m.

Sharon Royer, Sec.