

**Benner Township Supervisors  
July 7, 2003**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Benner Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by the Chairman, Dave Breon with members John Elnitski, Jr. and Richard Lahr present. Also in attendance were Mike Shamalla and Renee Swancer.

**PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD**

Mike Shamalla: Mr. Shamalla noted that he met with Genny Robine regarding her proposed sundial project in memory of her husband. Mr. Shamalla noted that he got the impression from Mrs. Robine that she wouldn't be ready to officially start her project until next year. Mr. Shamalla noted that he plans to meet with the road crew later this week to discuss the walking path at the park. Other items that he has been working on include a press release for the fall festival, expanding the web site, a remembrance program at the park and some one-time day events.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

It was noted that the Board held executive sessions on pending litigation on July 1<sup>st</sup> from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. and on July 2<sup>nd</sup> from 12:30 p.m. to 1:15 p.m. All Board members were present at each meeting.

**MINUTES**

The minutes of June 16, 2003, were presented to the Board for their review and comments. Mr. Lahr moved to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Elnitski seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Lahr - yes                      Mr. Elnitski - yes                      Mr. Breon - yes

**BILLS**

The bills of July 7, 2003 were presented to the Board for their review and approval. It was noted that the check for Fullington bus that was approved last month has been voided because Cole Transportation prices were cheaper. It was also noted that the Summer Recreation Program has received a \$2,500 grant from the Centre County Communities the Care Program. Mr. Elnitski moved to approve the bills as presented. Mr. Breon seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Lahr - yes                      Mr. Elnitski - yes                      Mr. Breon - yes

**OLD BUSINESS**

Spring Township Agreement/Boundary Change: This item continues to be tabled.

Patton Township/Benner Township Boundary: This items continues to be tabled.

Beezer Hill Road Closure: This item continues to be tabled.

Zoning Amendment Request from Barbush Family Partnership: This item is tabled pending the Planning Commission’s review and recommendation.

Worker’s Compensation Bill Spring Township: Discussion was held concerning the correspondence from Spring Township asking for partial reimbursement for the Pleasant Gap Fire Company worker’s compensation based on the percentage of calls they responded to in Benner Township. The Board asked that they send this correspondence to the Township Attorney for his review.

Centre Mutual Fire Insurance Company Traffic Signal Plan: It was noted that only minor changes have taken place from the last time the board reviewed these plans. Mr. Weikel has reviewed them and gave the plan his blessing. Mr. Lahr moved to approve the plan. Mr. Breon seconded the motion.

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

Penn State In-Lieu of Agreement: Mr. Elnitski noted that he has meet with Mr. Siminsky to discuss a possible in lieu of tax agreement between the Township and Penn State.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Bellefonte Youth Football Association: Mr. Lahr moved to approve a \$200 donation to the Bellefonte Youth Football Association. Mr. Elnitski seconded the motion.

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

Pension Plan: Mr. Breon brought the Board up to date on the meeting that he had with the Township’s current pension provider. It was noted that the

Company is no longer offering our type of plan and that we will have to switch to one of their different plans if we choose to stay with them. It was noted that we are going to check with College and Patton to see which company they are using. This item will be tabled until we have an opportunity to check around.

Memorandum of Understanding for Centre Co. Youth Center: Mr. Breon moved to approve the Centre County Youth Center memorandum of understanding. Mr. Lahr seconded the motion.

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

Banner Resolution: It was noted that the Fall Festival once again wishes to erect their banner across 550 and therefore a resolution needs to be approved and sent to PennDot for their approval. Mr. Lahr moved to approve Resolution 03-4 . Mr. Elnitski seconded the motion.

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

Crestview Catch Basin: Mr. Breon noted that he spoke with Bernie regarding the one catch basin in Crestview that needs to be adjusted.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

The Board acknowledged receipt of the following correspondence:

1. PSATS News Bulletin
2. Centre County Conservation District Letters
  - a. Penn Dot NPDES permit for Route 26 relocation project
  - b. Hampton Hills Earth Disturbance
  - c. Penn Dot/A & L Construction - Earth Disturbance
  - d. Penn Dot/New Enterprise - Earth Disturbance
  - e. Burnham Farm Estates – Earth Disturbance
  - f. Dr. Gerald Clair – Earth Disturbance
3. Rockview notice of intent to submit a Separate Stormwater System permit
4. Thank you Notes
  - a. Justin Houser
  - b. Girl Scout troop
  - c. Household Hazardous Waste Clean Up Committee
5. HRG letters RE: Act 537 revision public notices
6. EMC claim denial notice for Aaron Myers
7. Centre County Planning Commission letters
  - a. Lot addition/replot – Sharon Robbins & Ian Henderson
  - b. Time Extension for Burnham Farm Estates
8. Letter to Centre Region P.C. from College Township RE: request for study area
9. Final Inspection Notice for New Enterprise (I 99 Project)

10. College Township response letter to Bellefonte Borough RE: Water Service in Benner Township
11. Letter from Benner Township Water Authority to Bellefonte Borough RE: College Township/Bellefonte Borough water service in Benner Township
12. SBWJA Minutes of June 9, 2003
13. State College Borough Water Authority yearly water monitoring report
14. Springs and Sinks Newsletter

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned the time being 9:03 p.m.

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Sharon Royer, Sec.