

Ordinance 93 Hearing
June 20, 2005

The hearing for Ordinance 93 was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by the Vice Chairman, James Swartzell with member David Breon present. Mr. Elnitski was absent. Also in attendance were Omar Ahmed, Eric Casanave, Carol Ahmed, Doug Weikel, Tom Eby, Ed Galus and Renee Swancer.

It was noted that the comment/review letter from the Centre County Planning Office has yet to be received. Therefore, action on this ordinance must be tabled until the Board's next meeting.

The hearing was adjourned the time being 7:35 p.m.

Sharon Royer, Sec.

Nittany Express Conditional Use Hearing
June 20, 2005

The Conditional Use Hearing for Nittany Express was called to order at 7:37 p.m. by the Vice Chairman, James Swartzell with member David Breon present. Mr. Elnitski was absent. Also in attendance were Omar Ahmed, Eric Casanave, Carol Ahmed, Doug Weikel, Tom Eby, Ed Galus and Renee Swancer.

Mr. Ahmed noted that no fuel will be stored on site. He noted further that the only maintenance to be done on site will be the changing of brake pads. Oil changes, etc. will take place off site.

The proposed decision was read aloud. Mr. Breon moved to approve the Conditional Use request of Nittany Express as read. Mr. Swartzell seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Breon – yes Mr. Swartzell – yes Mr. Elnitski - absent

Benner Township Supervisors
June 20, 2005

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Benner Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:50 p.m. by the Vice Chairman, James Swartzell with member David Breon present. Mr. Elnitski was absent. Also in attendance were Doug Weikel, Tom Eby, Ed Galus and Renee Swancer.

PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Tom Eby: Mr. Eby gave the Board an update on where the Water Authority was with its investigation on taking over the Hampton Hills/Opequon Hill water system. Mr. Eby noted that their attorney is going to be speaking with Mr. Glantz about the specifics of the system.

MINUTES

The minutes of June 6, 2005, were presented to the Board for their review and comments. Mr. Breon moved to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Swartzell seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Breon – yes Mr. Swartzell – yes Mr. Elnitski – absent

BILLS

The bills of June 20, 2005, were presented to the Board for their review and approval. Mr. Breon moved to approve the bills as presented. Mr. Swartzell seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Breon – yes Mr. Swartzell – yes Mr. Elnitski – absent

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Mr. Weikel went over the items that he has been reviewing on the Board's behalf.

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT

Mrs. Swancer gave the Board a copy of her written report. It was noted that the engine brake ordinance is scheduled for adoption for the July 5th meeting. It was supposed to be scheduled for this meeting, but there was some mix up with advertising.

Mrs. Swancer noted that she has sent Ms. Brown an additional letter as instructed by the Township's attorney. She is also getting quotes from Ray Walker as to what it would cost to have the place cleaned up.

Mrs. Swancer noted that she is still trying to track down Fred Lohr. His address on the tax rolls isn't current and his sister in law won't give out any information on his whereabouts.

OLD BUSINESS

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

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

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

Parking Lot Paving: This item continues to be tabled.

Adelphia Franchise Fee Agreement Renewal: This item remains tabled until a renewal agreement is reached.

Nittany Valley Joint Planning Commission/Zoning Ordinance: A resolution was presented to the Board for consideration. The resolution states that Benner Township supports the formation of conforming zoning ordinances of the Nittany Valley Planning Commission under the direction of the Centre County Planning Office and will provide one fifth of the matching funds or the amount not to exceed \$2,881.00. Mr. Breon moved to approve Resolution 05-3. Mr. Swartzell seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Breon - yes Mr. Swartzell - yes Mr. Elnitski - absent

Gruendler Planning Module: Tabled.

Copier/Scanner/Printer: Tabled until another quote is received and another demonstration can be scheduled.

Propane Provider: It was noted that Mr. Elnitski received a contract from Heller's Gas prior to him leaving. Heller's contract states that they will give the Township propane at the guaranteed rate of \$1.09/gallon until 7/1/06. After that time the rate will be .40 over market price. Each delivery will be charged a \$2.50 hazardous delivery fee.

AmeriGas' contract states that they will sell the Township propane at the cost of Mt. Belvieu terminal plus .40 per gallon for a period of one year.

After discussion and review of both contracts, Mr. Breon moved to approve the contract with Heller's Gas. Mr. Swartzell seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Breon – yes Mr. Swartzell – yes Mr. Elnitski – absent

Employee Health Care: It was noted that the final rates from Health America have been received that they are almost the same rates that we are receiving from Geisinger. Staff noted that Spring Benner Walker has been told that they cannot add our employees to their policy like they originally thought. This item was tabled until the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Commonwealth of PA Radio Antenna: It was noted that the Commonwealth is requesting a conditional use hearing to co-locate an antenna on the Nextel tower on Purdue Mt. The Commonwealth is also asking if the Board would waive the \$300 conditional use application fee. Mr. Breon moved to pass this request on to the Planning Commission for their review and recommendations noting that because of the advertising that is required with an application, the fee will not be waived. Mr. Swartzell seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Breon – yes Mr. Swartzell – yes Mr. Elnitski – absent

CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence were received by the Board:

1. SBWJA Minutes of May 23, 2005
2. Agreement Orchard Creek Partnership/Opequon Hill Re: Water System
3. Budget Report 2nd Quarter
4. Conservation District Letters
 - a. Village of Nittany Glen
5. PSATS correspondence Re: Acre

ADJOURNMENT

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

Sharon Royer, Sec.