

**BENNER TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS  
REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING  
JANUARY 2, 2007**

The reorganization meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by the Chairman, Dave Breon with members James Swartzell and John Elnitski, Jr. Also in attendance were Renee Swancer, Ed Foster, Bryan Rodgers and Genny Robine present.

**ORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD**

Chairman: Mr. Swartzell moved that Mr. Breon be appointed as the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors for the year 2007. Mr. Elnitski seconded the motion.

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

Vice Chairman: Mr. Elnitski moved that Mr. Swartzell be appointed as the Vice Chairman of the Board of Supervisors for the year 2007. Mr. Breon seconded the motion.

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

Roadmaster: Mr. Elnitski moved that Patrick Bernhard be appointed as roadmaster for the year 2007. Mr. Swartzell seconded the motion.

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

**OTHER APPOINTMENTS**

Mr. Elnitski moved to reappoint the following people and firms to their positions for 2007:

- Secretary Treasurer - Sharon Royer
- Sewage Enforcement Officer - Ralph Houck
- Back - up SEO - Warren Miller
- Zoning Officer - Renee Swancer
- Solicitor - Stephen French
- Engineering Firm - HRG
- Bank - Pliget and M & T Bank
- Road Crew - Norman Corl, Harold Meyer, Patrick Bernhard and Donald Tressler

Mr. Breon seconded the motion.

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

Centre Region Metropolitan Planning Commission Coordinating Committee Representative:

Mr. Swartzell moved that Mr. Elnitski be appointed to this committee for 2007. Mr. Breon seconded the motion.

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

Road Crew Clothing Allowance: Mr. Elnitski moved to have the clothing allowance for the road crew to remain at \$250 per person for 2007. Mr. Breon seconded the motion.

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

2007 Personnel Wage Review: This item was tabled until later in the meeting.

PSATS Voting Delegate: Mr. Elnitski moved to appoint Mr. Swartzell as the Township's Convention voting delegate for 2007. Mr. Breon seconded the motion.

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

Appointment of Township CPA: Mr. Elnitski moved to appoint the firm of Parente & Randolph to do the Township's 2006 year end audit. Mr. Breon seconded the motion.  
Vote: Mr. Swartzell - yes                      Mr. Elnitski - yes                      Mr. Breon - yes

**BOARD MEMBER APPOINTMENTS**

Mr. Elnitski moved to appoint the following persons to the following Boards and Authorities as follows:

- Zoning Hearing Board - Ian Henderson - 3 year term
- Planning Commission - Rob Fugate - 4 year term
- Planning Commission - Tim Robinson - 4 year term
- Planning Commission - Genny Robine - 4 year term
- Spring -Benner-Walker Joint Authority - Dennis Ripka - 5 year term
- Benner Township Water Authority - Tom Eby - 5 year term

Mr. Swartzell seconded the motion.

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

Emergency Management Coordinator: Mr. Breon moved to appoint Steve Barr as the Township's Emergency Management Coordinator. Mr. Swartzell seconded the motion.  
Vote: Mr. Swartzell - yes                      Mr. Elnitski - yes                      Mr. Breon - yes

**MEETING DATES AND TIMES**

Mr. Elnitski moved to schedule the Board's regularly scheduled meetings for the first and third Mondays each month at 7:30 p.m. with the exception of September 3<sup>rd</sup> which will be held on September 6<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Swartzell seconded the motion.

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

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board held an executive session from 7:42 to 7:57 p.m. to discuss personnel issues.

Mr. Swartzell moved to approve the following employee wage increases for 2007:

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| Patrick Bernhard - \$1,800/year | Norman Corl - .70/hour        |
| Harold Meyer - .70/hour         | Donald Tressler - \$1.50/hour |
| Renee Swancer - \$1,500/year    | Sharon Royer - \$1,500/year   |
| Donald Behrer - .50/hour        | William Frantz - .50/hour     |

Mr. Breon seconded the motion.

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

**ADJOURNMENT**

The reorganization meeting was adjourned the time being 8:02 p.m.

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Sharon Royer, Sec.

**CONDITIONAL USE HEARING**

**University Park Airport**

**January 2, 2007**

The conditional use hearing for the University Park Airport was called to order at 8:03 p.m. by the Chairman, Dave Breon with members Jim Swartzell and John Elnitski present. Also in attendance were Renee Swancer, Ed Foster, Bryan Rodgers, and Genny Robine.

It was explained that the University wishes to turn runway 16/34 into Taxiway "J". This will also require new signing and pavement markings. Mr. Rodgers explained that this will eliminate the runway protection zones for this runway.

The hearing was closed the time being 8:08. Mr. Breon noted that a decision would be rendered at the Board's next meeting.

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Sharon Royer, Sec.

**BENNER TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS**

**January 2, 2007**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Benner Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 8:09 p.m. by the Chairman, Dave Breon with members Jim Swartzell and John Elnitski present. Also in attendance were Renee Swancer, Ed Foster, Bryan Rodgers, and Genny Robine.

**PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD**

Cleveland Brothers: It was noted that correspondence was received that a meeting will be held with DEP concerning their E & S control plan. It was further noted the Centre County Planning Commission tabled action on the plan once again this month.

**MINUTES**

The minutes of December 18, 2006, were presented to the Board for their review and comments. Mr. Swartzell moved that the minutes of December 18, 2006 be approved as presented. Mr. Elnitski seconded the motion.

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

**BILLS**

The bills of January 2, 2007, were presented to the Board for their review and approval. Mr. Swartzell moved to approve the bills as presented. Mr. Breon seconded the motion.

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

**ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT**

Mrs. Swancer went over the items that she has been dealing with. The Board asked that Mr. French prepare a response letter to Mr. Payne's letter.

**OLD BUSINESS**

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

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

Comcast Franchise Fee Agreement Renewal: Tabled.

Nittany Valley Joint Planning Commission: Nothing new.

Spring Creek Canyon Property: Mr. Swartzell reported that he spoke with Jim Eckert and is waiting a response back from him on what the Board discussed at their previous meeting. Mr. Elnitski noted that he has asked Mr. Siminiski to prepare a presentation for the next citizen's advisory committee meeting.

Township Building RFP: Tabled.

Job Descriptions for Recreation Manager/Grant Writer: Mr. Swartzell noted that he would electronically send the draft of the Recreational Manager to the other Board members. He further noted that he has spoken with PSATS and that they are going to send information to him on a number of firms that specialize in grant writing.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Temporary Recreation Coordinator: The Board asked that a list of recreation duties that need to be addressed from now until late Spring be created. Mr. Swartzell made a motion to approach Mr. Milanese to see if he is interested in this temporary position. Mr. Elnitski seconded the motion.

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

Joint Shared Services Committee: The Board is in receipt of a letter from Bellefonte Borough asking that the Township appoint up to three people to serve on a joint shared services committee. This committee will look at shared services that surrounding townships are using and how to compensate for them. Mr. Swartzell moved to nominate Mr. Elnitski to attend the work sessions on the township's behalf. Mr. Breon seconded the motion.

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

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

The Board acknowledged receipt for the following correspondence:

1. PSATS News Bulletin
2. SBWJA Minutes - November 29, 2006

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned the time being 9:16 p.m.

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Sharon Royer, Sec.