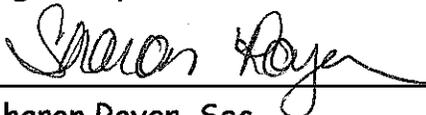


**Benner Township Supervisors  
Ordinance Hearing 98  
November 19, 2007**

The hearing for Ordinance 98 was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by the Chairman, David Breon with members James Swartzell and John Elnitski, Jr. present. Also in attendance were Doug Weikel, Fred Henry and Renee Swancer. It was noted that Ordinance 98 deals with the adopting the agreement for creating the Spring Creek Watershed Commission. No one in attendance had any comments regarding the proposed ordinance. Mr. Elnitski moved for the adoption of Ordinance 98. Mr. Swartzell seconded the motion.

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

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

  
Sharon Royer, Sec.

**Benner Township Supervisors  
November 19, 2007**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Benner Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:36 p.m. by the Chairman, David Breon with members James Swartzell and John Elnitski, Jr. present. Also in attendance were Doug Weikel, Fred Henry and Renee Swancer.

**PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD**

Fred Henry: (Final Plan Lot Addition from Lands of Brian Burman & Kathy Burman, Barbara Ermol & Larry Ermol, Russel Burman and Robin Burman and Rosalind Burman to Lands of Russel Burman and Robin Burman to Lands of Larry & Barbara Ermol and to the lands of Brian Burman and Kathy Burman) Mr. Henry was present to request a waiver for the reduction of the required right of way width of fifty-feet to a minimum width of thirty feet only within the areas of the garage located on re-plotted tax parcel 37-5-19 which would have the garage encroaching 17.67 feet into the front building setback lines. The purpose of this lot addition/replot plan is to settle the Burman Estate. This plan would reduce the total number of lots using the

right of way from six lots to four lots. Discussion was held. The board noted that they would not grant this waiver request and suggests that the property owners apply to the Zoning Hearing Board for a variance from the front yard setback for the garage.

### **MINUTES**

The minutes of November 5, 2007, were presented to the Board for their review and comments. Mr. Elnitski moved to approve the minutes of November 5, 2007, as presented. Mr. Swartzell seconded the motion.

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

### **BILLS**

The bills of November 19, 2007, were presented to the Board for their review and approval. Mr. Swartzell moved to approve the bills as presented. Mr. Elnitski seconded the motion.

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

### **ENGINEER'S REPORT**

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

### **ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT**

Mrs. Swancer noted that she has received two bed and breakfast applications for the Hampton Hills Development. She noted further that when the applications were received they were time stamped and witnessed as they were received.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Comcast Franchise Fee Agreement Renewal: Nothing new to report.

Zoning Ordinance: Mrs. Swancer noted that the Planning Commission has scheduled additional meetings to continue the review of the draft zoning ordinance.

Nittany Valley Regional Recreation Authority: Nothing new to report on the Authority. Mr. Elnitski noted that he met with Ralph Stewart regarding the numbers on the pool. It was noted that Mr. Stewart is to forward a letter

to the township stating that the \$15,000 surplus will be reserved to be used towards a feasibility study on the pool.

Canyon Property: Mr. Breon noted that the RFP for the Canyon Study is now complete and ready to be advertised. A copy will also be available on the Township's website for printing.

2008 Tentative Budget: Mr. Swartzell moved to tentatively adopt the 2008 budget and to advertise it for adoption at the Board's December 17<sup>th</sup> meeting. Mr. Elnitski seconded the motion.

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

Fire Protection: Mr. Elnitski noted that he has spoken with Mr. Stewart and Mr. Bruno regarding fire protection costs for the Bellefonte Fire Department. Mr. Elnitski noted that the fire houses are owned by the fire companies and the equipment is owned by the Borough however there has been occurrences where the companies have paid from their own funds to have work done to the trucks. Mr. Elnitski noted that he is going to schedule an additional meeting to continue discussions and will keep the Board up to date.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Planning Commission Vacancy: It was noted that Dave Jackson has applied for the vacant position to the Planning Commission. He has attended several of the Planning Commission meetings and is very interested in what is going on in the township and the zoning update. Mr. Elnitski moved to appoint Mr. Jackson to fulfill the remaining term of Mr. Robinson which expires 12/2010. Mr. Swartzell seconded the motion.

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

Water Authority Vacancy: It was noted that Roy Stewart has applied for the vacancy on the Water Authority. The Board asked that Mr. Stewart attend one of the Authority's meetings to insure his desire to serve.

Purdue Mountain Road Bonding: It was noted that Lisa Skipper is having her property timbered by Walker Lumber Company of Woodward. Walker Lumber Company has prepared the necessary documentation for Purdue

Mountain Road to be bonded. Mr. Elnitski moved to approve the road bond for Walker Lumber Company. Mr. Swartzell seconded the motion.

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

Dennis O'Leary: The secretary questioned the Board what to do with the two days that Mr. O'Leary is taking off as he informed the Board of these days prior to his hiring. Mr. Elnitski moved to compensate Mr. O'Leary for these days as the Board knew of them when he was hired. Mr. Breon seconded the motion.

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

Gift Certificates: Mr. Elnitski moved to purchase a \$75 gift certificate for Renee Swancer and Sharon Royer to the restaurant of their choice for all of the extra work that they have done throughout the year with park and recreation functions. Mr. Swartzell seconded the motion.

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

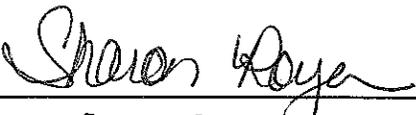
## CORRESPONDENCE

The Board acknowledged receipt of the following correspondence:

1. Centre County Planning Office
  - a. Minor Land Development - Centre County Prison Accessory Bldg.
  - b. Time Extensions
    1. Grove Park
    2. Restek Corporation
  - c. Paul & Ellen Hartle Subdivision Reclassification
2. Conservation District Letters
  - a. Amberleigh
  - b. Eagle Point Fill Site
3. Letter from SBWJA to Bellefonte Borough Re: 2<sup>nd</sup> Qt. billing
4. SBWJA Minutes of October 22, 2007

## ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned the time being 9:45 p.m.

  
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Sharon Royer, Sec.