American Tower Conditional Use December 15, 2008

The meeting to render the Conditional Use Decision for American Tower was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by the Chairman, John Elnitski with members James Swartzell and Dave Breon present. Also in attendance were Doug Weikel, Dennis O'Leary, Chris Force, John Light, Ed Gallus, Dan Horner and Brian Hoffman.

Mr. Elnitski read the decision aloud. No one from the audience had any questions or objections. Mr. Elnitski moved to adopt the decision as read. Mr. Swartzell seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Breon - yes

Mr. Swartzell - yes

Mr. Elnitski - yes

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

Sharon Royer, Sée

Benner Township Supervisors December 15, 2008

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Benner Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:37 p.m. by the Chairman, John Elnitski with members James Swartzell and Dave Breon present. Also in attendance were Doug Weikel, Dennis O'Leary, Chris Force, John Light, Ed Gallus, Dan Horner and Brian Hoffman.

PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

<u>Teamsters Land Development Plan</u>: Chris Force was present to present the final land development Plan for the Teamsters Union Hall. Mr. Elnitski questioned if the parking issues were resolved. It was noted that parking has been taken care of and isn't an issue any more. Mr. Breon moved to approve the Teamster's Land Development Plan. Mr. Swartzell seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Breon - yes

Mr. Swartzell – yes

Mr. Elnitski – yes

MINUTES

The minutes of December 1, 2008, were presented to the Board for their review and comments. Mr. Swartzell moved to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Elnitski seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Breon - yes

Mr. Swartzell - yes

Mr. Elnitski - yes

BILLS

The bills of December 15, 2008, 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. Breon - yes

Mr. Swartzell - yes

Mr. Elnitski - yes

ENGINEER'S REPORT

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

Discussion was held concerning the PennDOT permit to install the traffic signal at the intersection of Benner Pike and Amberleigh Lane. Mr. Weikel noted that letters need to be sent to the property owners located across the street from the signal. He noted further that he would draft these letters and mail them out.

ROAD SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

*Mr. O'Leary noted that he has completed a walk thru with Mazzuca on the road repairs that were completed as a result of Spring Benner Walker's sewerline extension project. Mr. O'Leary noted that an additional walk thru will take place in the Spring. Mr. O'Leary noted that he has created a letter that Spring Benner Walker Joint Authority will hand out when residents come and pay their connection fee reminding them to stay off the roadways with equipment and to keep the roadways free of debris.

*Mr. O'Leary noted that he has reviewed the traffic study that was prepared for the Centre County Airport Authority for airport traffic signage. He asked that the Board review the study and forward comments to him.

*Backhoe purchase. Mr. O'Leary reported that the roadcrew has test driven the Case, John Deere and Caterpillar backhoes. After looking at all three machines it is their recommendation that the Township purchase the Caterpillar 420E IT Backhoe Loader. The CoStar price of the hoe is \$86,827 if purchase is authorized prior to December 31, 2008. Cleveland Brothers is giving the township a \$20,000 trade in allowance for our 1998 416C backhoe, leaving the purchase price at \$66,827. Mr. Elnitski moved to authorize the purchase of the 2009 Caterpillar 420E IT Backhoe Loader. Mr. Breon seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Breon - yes

Mr. Swartzell - yes

Mr. Elnitski - yes

ZONING OFFICER REPORT

Mrs. Swancer noted that she has been receiving several complaints on signs all over the township and is seeking the Board's approval to address them all at once. The Board agreed to handle them all at once and to photo document them while addressing them.

<u>Fastrax</u>: It was noted that Fastrax is operating several businesses out of the Car Wash building on the Benner Pike that is owned by the Confers. She noted that we are going to handle this problem by having them go through the Conditional Use Application process.

OLD BUSINESS

Zoning Ordinance: It was noted that the Zoning Ordinance has been scheduled for public hearing on January 19th at the Benner Elementary School.

<u>Spring Creek Canyon Property:</u> The Board agreed to pay for the additional costs listed in the addendum minus the pod cast charges. Further checking was going to be done to see if something was mentioned about the website in their proposal.

Mr. Breon noted that he had a conference call with DCNR and EPD regarding the study. EPD reported that they are waiting for information from several of the technical committee members and that they need this information prior to continuing with their study. EPD noted that they are going to need to ask for a two month extension. Mr. Breon recommended that everything be placed in one revision to DCNR.

<u>Chart Assessment:</u> Mr. Elnitski asked the Board to review the charts that were prepared by Environmental Planning and Design staff. Any changes that the Board members have will be compiled as a list and forwarded back to the consultant.

<u>Halfway House:</u> It was noted that a mediation meeting between the CentrePeace and neighborhood residents will be scheduled for a date in January.

Bellefonte Borough Fire Protection Agreement: Mrs. Royer noted that the Borough contacted her and asked for clarification if it was the Board's intention to pay the Borough the amount that they are requesting for 2009. The Board indicated that we would pay the amount that they have requested for 2009, but that we are not making any other agreements nor are we committing to funding amounts other than this year.

<u>2009 Budget</u>: The 2009 Budget was presented to the Board for their final approval. It was noted that the budget was advertised and that no comments were received. Mr. Breon moved to adopt the 2009 Budget that reflects no decreases in services or employees and does not raise earned income or property taxes. Mr. Swartzell seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Breon - yes

Mr. Swartzell - yes

Mr. Elnitski - yes

NEW BUSINESS

Fastrax Kustomz Conditional Use Application: Mr. Elnitski moved to accept and forward the Conditional Use Application on to the Planning Commission for their review and recommendations. Mr. Breon seconded the motion.

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

Right to Know: The revised and updated Resolution dealing with the Right To Know Law was presented to the Board for their approval. Mr. Elnitski moved to approve Resolution 08-10. Mr. Swartzell seconded the motion.

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

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board acknowledged receipt of the following correspondence:

- 1. HRG's response Re: Nancy Killeen compost container
- 2. Bellefonte Borough's response letter RE: organic overload
- 3. SBWJA November 10 & November 24, 2008 minutes

- 4. Letter Re: Future Planning Commission Vacancy
- 5. Workshop Re: Volunteer Fire, Emergency Services & Local Governments Partnerships
- 6. Paradise Commons Traffic Study Penn Dot rescinded Conditional Approval

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned the time being 8:37 p.m.

Sharon Royer, Sec.