

**Benner Township Supervisors
January 19, 2004**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Benner Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:30 by the Chairman, Dave Breon with members John Elnitski, Jr. and Jim Swartzell present. Also in attendance were Rick Hampton, Audie Osgood, and Renee Swancer.

PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Rick Hampton: Mr. Hampton was present to go over with the Board the services that he is able to provide the Township when the new building code regulations go into effect. Much discussion was held. Mr. Breon noted that discussion was held at the Nittany Valley Joint Planning Committee meeting that each of the participating municipalities discussed using the same individual and asked Mr. Hampton if he would be able to handle all of these municipalities. Mr. Hampton indicated that he believed that he could and if at some point in time he couldn't he would hire additional help. Mr. Hampton indicated that he is willing to attend one of the Committee's upcoming meetings to discuss his services that what the code entails. Mr. Hampton indicated that he believes the fees for the reviews should be based on square footage and not cost of construction.

Audie Osgood- *Burnham Farm Estates Surety Agreement:* Mr. Osgood presented the board with a copy of the surety agreement for Burnham Farm Estates development. Mrs. Swancer noted that this agreement has been reviewed by the Township Engineer and is ready to be approved by the Board. Mr. Breon moved to approve the Burnham Farm Estates surety agreement. Mr. Elnitski seconded the motion.

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

Burnham Farm Estates Plan: Mr. Osgood presented the Board with the Burnham Farm Estates Plan for signatures. Mrs. Swancer noted that the only outstanding item was the surety agreement that the Board just approved. Mr. Elnitski moved to approve the Burnham Farm Estate Plan. Mr. Swartzell seconded the motion.

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

MINUTES

The minutes of re-organizational minutes of January 5, 2004, 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. Swartzell – yes Mr. Elnitski – yes Mr. Breon – yes

The minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting of January 5, 2004, were presented to the Board for their review and comments. Mr. Elnitski moved to approve the minutes as presented to the board. Mr. Breon seconded the motion.

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

BILLS

The bills of January 19, 2004, were presented to the Board for their review and approval. Mr. Elnitski moved to approve the bills as presented. Mr. Swartzell seconded the motion.

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

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Mr. Weikel wasn't present at tonight's meeting. Mr. Breon noted that Mr. Weikel was preparing the paperwork to see if the Township could acquire additional TIP funding for the bike path.

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT

Mrs. Swancer noted that the only thing she had to add to her written report is that the Thomas' and their solicitor will be attending the Board's February 2nd meeting to discuss the pet crematory.

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.

Zoning Amendment Request from Barbush Family Partnership: This item has been sent on to the Township Solicitor for review and advertisement.

Nittany Valley Comprehensive Plan: Mr. Breon gave the Board an update on the status of the Nittany Valley Comprehensive Plan. Mr. Breon presented

the Board with a copy of the proposed land use mapping. Discussion was held.

Centre County Land Development Ordinance: Mr. Breon noted that the County is planning on updating its Land Development Ordinance.

Shiloh Road Planning Committee: Mr. Swartzell gave the Board an update on the meeting that he attended concerning the Shiloh Road study area.

NEW BUSINESS

Hampton Hills Surety Agreement: It was noted that this agreement is just an extension of the existing agreement. Mr. Elnitski moved to approve the surety agreement extension. Mr. Breon seconded the motion.

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

2004 Bellefonte High School Scholarship Awards: The Board is in receipt of paperwork from the school asking if there is any changes that they would like to make to the qualifications for the scholarships. After a review, the Board noted that the requirements would remain the same.

Building Addition: The Board asked that the secretary contact DCED to see if they offer any kind of low interest loan should they decide to add on to the township building.

Centre County Airport Authority Master Plan: Mr. Breon brought the board up to date on the information that he was given during the Airport Authority Master Plan meeting. It was noted that the main topic of discussion was the terminal building needs and the need for additional parking.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board acknowledged receipt of the following correspondence:

1. Copy of a letter that was sent to Governor's Center Re: joint study

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned the time being 9:31 p.m.

Sharon Royer, Sec.