

**Benner Township Supervisors
July 1, 2019**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Benner Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by the Chairman, Randy Moyer with members David Wise and Mark Capriani present. Also in attendance were Edward Galus, John Elnitski, Thomas Eby, Rich Davis, Dave Kline, John Kostas, Carol King, Ms. Czapla and Sharon Royer.

PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

John Elnitski, Jr.: Mr. Elnitski questioned the Board if they have decided how they are going to address airports in the proposed zoning ordinance. The Board noted that they are 99% sure that airports will be kept as they were, allowed by conditional use. Mr. Elnitski then questioned what the Board was going to do with the airport hazard ordinance noting the 2016 Supreme Court Case makes the current airport hazard ordinance illegal due to allowing adjoining property owners the 75' height restriction. The Board noted that they have had the Township's attorney review this court case and that he believes that it has nothing to do with the 75' restriction listed in the Township's Ordinance. Mr. Elnitski noted that he disagrees and that if the Township doesn't change it, he will be forced to take legal action.

Carol King – US Census Bureau: Ms. King noted that she was present to give the Board a quick overview of the upcoming census count. She noted the four important facts of the Census.

*It is required to be done by law every 10 years.

*You will get to choose how you want to respond this time. (mail, online, in person, by phone)

*All data collected is private.

*It is very important. Seats in the House of Representatives are determined by the Census count as well as Federal Funding in the amount of 667 billion dollars.

Ms. King also noted that several hundred jobs will be available in Centre County paying \$15.00 per hour. More information on the jobs and how to apply is available on their website at census.gov

John Kostas: Mr. Kostas questioned if the Board is still planning on putting some type of regulations in the proposed ordinance dealing with public water systems. He noted that Grove Park has been without water two different times in the last several days. Mrs. Royer noted that a part broke and was replaced and the replacement part was defective and had to be replaced again. It was noted that the Township Solicitor has been in discussions with the Water Authority Engineer how to best handle this in the ordinance.

537 Plan Update: Mr. Wise noted that the surveyors are still out and about working on surveying. The 537 Plan Update is still not complete. Mrs. Royer noted in SBWJA minutes of June 10, 2019, it was noted that the Special Study should be done and sent to the County for review by the end of July.

MINUTES

The minutes of June 3, 2019, were presented to the Board for their review and comment. Mr. Moyer moved to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Capriani seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Capriani – yes

Mr. Wise – yes

Mr. Moyer – yes

BILLS

The bills of July 1, 2019, were presented to the Board for their review and approval. Mr. Moyer moved to approve the bills as presented. Mr. Capriani seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Capriani – yes

Mr. Wise – yes

Mr. Moyer – yes

