

**Benner Township Supervisors  
March 6, 2017**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Benner Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by the Chairman, David Wise with member Randy Moyer present. Mark Capriani was absent. Also in attendance were Kevin Abbey, Don Franson, Dennis O'Leary, John Kostas, Shirley Gryczuk, Nate Campbell, Dean Ishler, Jr., and Sharon Royer.

**PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD**

Dean Ishler, Jr.: Mr. Ishler was present to ask the Board if they would consider adopting an ordinance that would require residents of the Township to keep their properties to some type of a maintained condition. He noted that those that don't mow their properties at all in an entire year are bringing the esthetics of the entire neighborhood down and also inviting unwanted mice, snakes and other nuisance animals. The Board noted that the township for the most part is very rural and an ordinance like this would be difficult to enforce. The Board noted that they will check out the area of his concern.

**MINUTES**

The minutes of February 13, 2017, were presented to the Board for their review and comments. Mr. Wise moved to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Moyer seconded the motion.  
Vote: Mr. Capriani – absent                      Mr. Moyer – yes                      Mr. Wise – yes

**BILLS**

The bills of March 6, 2017, were presented to the Board for their review and approval. Mr. Wise moved to approve the bills as presented. Mr. Moyer seconded the motion.  
Vote: Mr. Capriani – absent                      Mr. Moyer – yes                      Mr. Wise – yes

**ENGINEER'S REPORT**

Spring Creek Canyon Bids: Mr. Franson noted that the lowest apparent bidder is John Claar Excavating. Kevin Abbey noted that Clearwater is still very much financially committed to this project. Mr. Franson stated that he believes that the Board should table awarding the bid until we receive the agreements from the Game Commission and the Fish and Boat Commission to ensure that there isn't any game changers included in the documents.

**ROAD SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Mr. O'Leary reported on the following:

- \*It was noted that FEMA has written up several mitigation projects that will assist in placement of additional pipes and berm improvements to help elevate future drainage/flooding problems.
- \*The stakeout of the waterline extension for the new building has been made.
- \*A proposed list of road projects should be ready for the next meeting.
- \*Equipment maintenance continues.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Spring Creek Watershed Commission: Mr. Wise noted that the group to working on applying for a State Grant.

MPO: Mr. Wise noted that Mr. DeCausati attended the last meeting in his absence. Work on 322 is to start up again.

**OLD BUSINESS**

New Municipal Building:

\*Project Coordinator: Mr. Wise noted that he and Mr. Capriani interviewed and are recommending that Don Woods be placed on retainer for a project coordinator of the new building. The salary of this 1099 position will be \$40.00 per hour with an average work week of 20 hours. It was noted that Mr. Woods is available pretty much any time though the end of April. His hours would be adjusted after that time as he has accepted a position working on the 322 project. Mr. Wise moved to appoint Mr. Woods to the Building Project Coordinator position. Mr. Moyer seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Capriani – absent                      Mr. Moyer – yes                      Mr. Wise – yes

\*Waterline: Mr. O’Leary noted that the road crew will attempt to dig and install the waterline extension, but that if rock is encountered that additional help may have recruited.

\*Building Colors: The colors of the proposed building was discussed. It was decided to go with ivory and beige with white doors.

Emergency Management: It was noted that the Emergency Management Communication Center tour would be held on March 17<sup>th</sup> at Noon.

FEMA Storm Damage: Mr. Franson noted that he will be sending out the request for proposals to geo-technical firms for the design of the pile and lag wall needed for Purdue Mt.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Zoning Officer Interviews: The Board noted to try to schedule the remaining interview on the 17<sup>th</sup> prior to the Emergency Management tour.

Resolution 17-04 Septic Management Program Fee Schedule: After further review and discussion, the Board has decided on the fees for the septic management program to be decreased by \$20 for both the pumping and the pumping with inspection. Making the fees \$40 and \$180 respectively. Mr. Wise moved to adopt Resolution 17-04. Mr. Moyer seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Capriani – absent                      Mr. Moyer – yes                      Mr. Wise – yes

Ag Security Resolution 17-05: It was noted that two years ago the Corl requested that their two properties encompassing the Corl Brothers Farm along Seibert Road be included into the Township’s Ag Security District. Both the Board of Supervisors and the Planning Commission were in favor of this inclusion. The County and State are now saying that a resolution must be officially adopted and recorded to make this official. Mr. Wise moved to adopt Resolution 17-05 to add these properties into the Township’s Ag Security District. Mr. Moyer seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Capriani – absent                      Mr. Moyer – yes                      Mr. Wise – yes

Dunkin Donuts Planning Module Exemption: Mr. Wise moved to approve the sewage planning module exemption form for the proposed Dunkin Donuts land development proposal on the Benner Pike. Mr. Moyer seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Capriani – absent                      Mr. Moyer – yes                      Mr. Wise – yes

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

The Board acknowledged the following correspondence:

1. UAJA – Water Quality Management Permit
2. SBWJA Minutes of January 23, 2017 & February 13, 2017
3. Centre County Conservation District
  - a. E & S for Restek Safety Shed
  - b. Fiore-Bohn Earth Disturbance
  - c. GM McCrossin – NPDES Permit
4. County Planning Commission
  - a. ARL Test Track Comments
5. Benner Township Water Authority Minutes January 17, 2017
6. Engineer review letters
  - a. Sullivan’s Mini Storage Phase VII, Building #8
  - b. ARL Test Track

## **NOTES**

Mr. Wise noted that he attended the last Planning Commission meeting and was impressed with the progress that the Board has been making noting that it is a tedious process.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned the time being 7:55 p.m.

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Sharon Royer, Secretary