

**Public Hearing
Ordinance 130
November 6, 2017**

The public hearing for Ordinance 130 was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by the Chairman, David Wise with members Randy Moyer and Mark Capriani present. Also in attendance were Don Franson, Dennis O'Leary, Shirley Gryczuk, Maureen Mulvihill, Tom Moyer, Calvin Miller, Tony Fruchtl, Willis Houser, Tim Miller and Sharon Royer.

Mrs. Royer noted that proposed Ordinance 130 would amend the Benner Township Zoning Ordinance 104 to allow Churches and related uses in all zoning districts as is proposed in the new draft Zoning Ordinance. It was noted that the Planning Commission recommended this change and that it was sent to the Centre County Planning Commission for review but that no comments have been received.

Mr. Wise asked the audience if anyone had any comments. With no comments being heard the hearing was closed the time being 7:06 p.m.

Sharon Royer, Sec.

**Benner Township Supervisors
November 6, 2017**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Benner Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:07 p.m. by the Chairman, David Wise with members Randy Moyer and Mark Capriani present. Also in attendance were Don Franson, Dennis O'Leary, Shirley Gryczuk, Maureen Mulvihill, Tom Moyer, Calvin Miller, Tony Fruchtl, Willis Houser, Tim Miller and Sharon Royer.

PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Maureen Mulvihill: Ms. Mulvihill was present to inquire what the Board's position was on financially supporting the Kepler Pool. She noted that some excellent swimmers have come from using the Kepler pool. She noted that a number of the stingray swim team members have gone on to Nationals and one members is actually trying out to be on the Olympic team. She added that she feels that the pool is a great community asset and would really hate to see it having to close.

Mr. Capriani noted that he has attended several of the last meetings on the pool and has reviewed the proposal and believes that the Township can do something but not to the extent of what the proposal is seeking. Mr. Capriani noted that he would like to see 1/3 of the costs come from the Townships, 1/3 of the cost from a DCNR grant and the remaining 1/3 come from a community campaign. He indicated that he feels that the Township could perhaps commit \$50,000 to be paid in payments over the next 7 to 8 years.

Tim Miller: Mr. Miller noted that he would like to thank the Supervisors for allowing the Boy Scouts to use the township facility for their scouting for food collection location. He noted that it worked very well for the event.

Mr. Miller noted that the SBWJA has entered into a contract to have a rate study done. This would ensure that the Authority is charging what they need to be to keep it financially healthy. He noted further that the Board is also considering entering into an agreement with HR Services to assist the Authority in finding a maintenance leader for their employees.

MINUTES

The minutes of October 2, 2017, were provided to the Board for their review and comments. Mr. Capriani moved to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Moyer seconded the motion.
Vote: Mr. Capriani – yes Mr. Moyer – yes Mr. Wise – yes

BILLS

The bills of November 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 – yes Mr. Moyer – yes Mr. Wise – yes

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Mr. Franson noted the following:

*Spring Creek Canyon Trail is complete. It was noted that the remaining item was to paint ADA parking indicators on the gravel parking lot.

ROAD SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. O'Leary noted the following:

*Brush collection is completed and leaf collection started today.

*The building has only minor items to be finished. The road crew has started to put Items back away from storage.

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT

Mrs. Royer noted that this past month has resulted in numerous complaints neighbor against neighbor. Dogs are still and issue. The Board noted that Mrs. Royer should just let the Township attorney handle this matter.

OLD BUSINESS

New Municipal Building: It was noted that the project is almost complete and was done with no major change orders.

Agreement with Centre Region GOG RE: Deputy EM Coordinator: This item remains tabled.

FEMA Storm Damage: It was noted that a meeting will be held tomorrow with PennDot, engineers and geologists to take a look at the expansion of the damage on Purdue Mt. PEMA is asking that this group convene to analyze what is happening and to see if there is agreement on the best alternative to fix it. Meanwhile, the construction crew has been working two 12 hours shifts on installing the piling.

Zoning Officer Position: Mr. Wise noted that he spoke with PV Inspections and William's Inspection Agency, both of whom handle zoning and code inspections for multiple municipalities to see if they would consider adding Benner Township to their list of clients. He noted that both seemed favorable to the idea and said that they would be working on proposals for the December meeting for hopeful January appointment.

Township Park Renaming: Mr. Capriani noted that he spoke with several individuals including Mike Young and Andrew Hillegass regarding the park renaming. He noted that he wanted to look into this a little further as to what other townships are doing and hopes to have a proposal for the January meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Nittany Express MOU: Nittany Express has submitted the standard Memorandum of Understanding for their project that the plan on submitted in the Airport Park. The proposal is for a building and overflow parking areas. Mr. Capriani moved to approve the MOU. Mr. Moyer seconded the motion.

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

Ordinance 130: Mr. Wise noted that with the advertising, public comment period and public hearing taking place without comments, he made a motion to adopt Ordinance 130 as presented. Mr. Moyer seconded the motion.

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

2018 Tentative Budget: The proposed 2018 budget has been prepared and is ready for the public comment period. Mr. Moyer moved to tentatively adopt the 2018 budget. Mr. Wise seconded the motion.

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

2018 MMO: It was noted that the calculation for the 2018 Minimum Municipal Obligation for the employee pension plan is \$58,580.00. Mrs. Royer noted that the state contributes to this amount but that it is a requirement of the State’s that the entire amount be acknowledged in the Township’s budget. Mr. Moyer moved to approve the 2018 MMO. Mr. Capriani seconded the motion.

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

911 Addressing: The Township is in receipt of a letter from the 911 Addressing Department asking for clarification on how the Township wishes to handle the assignment of new addresses. Mrs. Royer recommended that this process remain with the County’s 911 Addressing Department. The Board agreed.

MS-4: The Board questioned Mr. Franson on what is next with this MS-4 program. He noted that the Township will be asking for a waiver again but that there is no guarantee that one will be granted and recommended the funds be placed in this year’s budget should that be the case.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board acknowledged receipt of the following correspondence:

1. Notice of Submission of NPDES permit renewal for UP Airport
2. SBWJA Minutes – September 25, 2017, October 9, 2017
3. BTWA Minutes of September 19, 2017
4. NPDES permit notification for UAJA Pollution Control Facility
5. Conservation District Correspondence
 - a. Hudson Advisors Earth Disturbance Report

- b. All Storage Solutions NPDES Permit
 - c. RSE, Inc. NPDES incomplete information
- 6. PSATS News Bulletin
- 7. Franson Engineering review letter for G.M. McCrossin Land Development
- 8. Centre County Planning Office correspondence
 - a. Lot Consolidation Plan Omar & Carol Ahmed
 - b. Handy Delivery – Time Extension
- 9. Bellefonte Fireman’s Relief Compliance Audit – 1/1/14 – 12/31/16

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned the time being 7:40 p.m.

Sharon Royer, Secretary