

ANTIS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
909 NORTH SECOND STREET
BELLWOOD, PA 16617

MARCH 1, 2012

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Raymond Amato
Robert Smith
Charlie Taylor
Kenneth Hostler
C.J. Caracciolo

VISITORS:

Joe Smyder, Resident
Bob Himes, Resident
Todd Beiswenger, Young Engineering
Norm Saylor, Antis Township Planning Commission
Tim George, Resident
Roy Confer
Steve Shiffler, Road Foreman
Ginger Patterson, Manager's Secretary
Adeena Harbst, Daily Herald
Amanda Gabeletto, Altoona Mirror
Patrick Fanelli, Andrews & Beard
Chris Dutrow, Stiffler & McGraw & Associates
Lori Del Biondo, Twp. Secretary-Treasurer
Lucas Martsolf, Township Manager

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Raymond Amato, followed by prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

Bob Himes inquired about the outcome of the O'Shell litigation. The solicitor responded that the legal matter has concluded with the Township prevailing. He further responded that the pond no longer exists and the property owner incurred fines as a result of the issue.

The February 2, 2012 Board of Supervisor Meeting minutes were approved on the motion of C.J. Caracciolo, seconded by Bob Smith followed by a 5-0 aye vote.

Supervisor's Reports

1. Ray Amato
 - ◆ Safety Committee Minutes of February 2012.

Mr. Amato gave a report on his meeting with the MPO Board and the Blair County Planning Commission.

2. C.J. Caracciolo
 - ◆ Mr. Caracciolo reported there was no Tax Collection Committee meeting this month.

Solicitor's Report

The solicitor reviewed a request from the owner of LaScalia's Restaurant to transfer to the Township a liquor license from Logan Township.

On the motion of Ken Hostler, seconded by Charlie Taylor the Board approved advertising the required notices for the transfer of the Liquor License for March 5th and 12th with the Public Hearing and Special Meeting to be held on the 22nd at 8:30 AM.

On the issue of vacating Campbell Lane near Sixth Street, it was the consensus of the Board to have the required Public Hearing immediately following the April 5th Board of Supervisors Meeting.

The manager requested an executive session for possible litigation.

Engineer's Report

The Township Engineer reported that the Floodplain Ordinance is prepared and will be adopted at the March 7, 2012 Special Meeting.

Approval was given on the recommendation of the Township Engineer, to release the financial security in the amount of \$700 posted for the Thomas Decker Storage Building Land Development on the motion of Bob Smith, seconded by C.J. Caracciolo followed by a 5-0 aye vote.

The Township Engineer reported that the bid specifications for the Bellwood-Antis Community Park sidewalk project are complete and is ready to be advertised with bids being opened at the April 5th Board of Supervisors meeting.

The Township Engineer reported that his review of the Countryside Estates Development is almost complete. He also reminded the Board that with this type of development, at their discretion, they *could* require amenities such as street lights, sidewalks, shade trees etc.

Todd Beiswenger from Young Engineering presented that he is looking for some feedback regarding the waiver requests that include sideyard setbacks, 15 foot utility drainage easement and reduction of front yard setback. He also was looking for some input regarding input regarding the discretionary amenities mentioned by the Township Engineer. He further commented that he wants to set it up so that each individual unit could be sold. Attorney Fanelli commented that stipulations regarding the sale of the properties can be addressed in a Developer's Agreement. A discussion continued regarding stormwater management issues related to the project. The Stormwater Management Plan remains to be reviewed by the Township Engineer and issues that do not meet the design standards will be addressed. It was the consensus of the Board that they would look favorable upon the issues as long the Township Engineer took no exception.

Note was made of the Antis Township Planning Commission minutes of February 16, 2012.

The Treasurer's report was approved on the motion of Ken Hostler, seconded by C.J. Caracciolo followed by a 5-0 yes roll call vote.

Bills in the amount of \$23,316.60 from the General Fund, \$6,301.50 from the Capital Reserve Fund, and \$486 from the Fire hydrant Fund were approved for payment, on the motion of C.J. Caracciolo, seconded by Bob Smith, followed by a 5-0 yes roll call vote.

CDBG bills in the amount of \$570.29 for reimbursement to the Township for administrative expenses and \$1,286.25 to Stiffler, McGraw & Associates for payment of contracted administrative expenses were approved on the motion of Charlie Taylor seconded by C.J. Caracciolo followed by a 5-0 yes roll call vote.

Resolution #3-2012 exonerating Susan Kensinger from further per capita tax collection as of March 1, 2012 and any remaining delinquent per capita be turned over for collection to Berkheimer Associates, was adopted on the motion of Bob Smith, seconded by C.J. Caracciolo followed by a 5-0 aye vote.

The manager presented information regarding an issue where a portion of the embankment along River Road is eroding into the river and requested authorization to perform a long-term engineering study to begin to address the issue. Approval was given to authorize the Township Engineer to perform a long-term engineering study for River Road on the motion of Charlie Taylor, seconded by C.J. Caracciolo followed by a 5-0 aye vote.

Authorization was given to the Township Engineer to conduct an evaluation of PennDOT guidelines regarding the placement of guiderails pertaining to a curve near 314 Kerbaugh Road. Authorization was given on the motion of Charlie Taylor, seconded by C.J. Caracciolo followed by a 5-0 aye vote.

The meeting went to Executive Session at 8:40 PM.

Submitted by:
Lori Del Biondo
Antis Township Secretary-Treasurer