

MINUTES

Antis Township Board of Supervisors Meeting

September 7, 2017 Antis Township Meeting Room

7:00 PM

ATTENDANCE

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Leo Matuszewski, Robert Smith, Kenneth Hostler, David Worthing

VISITORS:

Joe Smyder, Resident; Ken Henshey, Resident; Chuck Banas, The Daily Herald; Sean Sauro, Altoona Mirror; Linda DelGrosso, Century 21, Sgt. Paul Jendrzewski, State Police; Deb & Carl Lechner, Residents; Bob Harker, Resident; Christ Arseniu, Code Enforcement Officer; Patrick Fanelli, Fanelli-Willett Law Offices; Randy Showalter, Road Foreman; Lori Del Biondo, Township Secretary-Treasurer; Lucas Martsof, Township Manager; Chris Dutrow, Township Engineer

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Matuzewski, followed by prayer and Pledge of Allegiance and announcements. Supervisor Caracciolo was unable to attend the meeting.

Public Comment Period

There were no public comments.

Meeting Minutes

The August 3, 2017 Board of Supervisor Meeting Minutes were approved on the motion of Supervisor Worthing, seconded by Supervisor Smith followed by a 4-0 voice vote.

Supervisors Reports

Supervisor Smith reported that during the Northern Blair Sewer Authority Meeting there was a discussion regarding the cost of risers used to increase the height of manholes as needed during the paving process. A resolution will be passed at their next meeting authorizing the costs of the risers to be passed on to the Township. It was confirmed that the State incurs the costs when it involves their road.

Solicitor's Report

Attorney Fanelli presented information regarding a request for an easement for the Harker property located at 625 N. 11th Street. The property is in the process of being sold and it was discovered that the house extends 16 feet into the Township right of way along W. Antis Street. Attorney Fanelli explained that in this case he did not believe the Township has the authority to grant an easement but could vacate that portion of the street. On the motion of Supervisor Worthing, seconded by Supervisor Smith followed by a 4-0 voice vote authorization was given to the Solicitor to move forward to draft an

ordinance to vacate 16 feet on the southwest portion of W. Antis Street for the entire length of the lot with all associated costs being the responsibility of the current property owner/prospective buyer.

The Collective Bargaining Agreement for the period of 2017-2020 was ratified on the motion of Supervisor Worthing, seconded by Supervisor Smith, followed by a 4-0 voice vote. The new agreement has the same terms as the previous agreement with the exception of a 3% wage increase for each of the next three years. Supervisor Smith who was involved in the negotiations commented on how well the union representatives worked with the Township in reaching the agreement.

Manager's Report

The manager had nothing to report.

Public Safety Report

Sgt. Paul Jendrzejewski, PA State Police, gave a brief presentation on police call activity in the Township over the past several months.

Jack McCloskey, Excelsior Fire Company, provided a written and verbal Public Safety Report. Supervisor Smith recognized Excelsior for their response in handling the increased coverage area that was designated to them due to the closing of the Tipton-Antis Volunteer Fire Company and was encouraged to make the Township aware of any additional needs they may have as we are entering the budget preparation season.

Road Foreman Report

Randy Showalter, Road Foreman, provided a brief report of monthly activities and that he is getting good comments from the community on the work that the crew is doing.

Engineer's Report

On the recommendation of the Township Engineer, authorization was given for release of the financial security posted in the amount of \$53,053 for the Delgrosso's Accounting Office Expansion on the motion of Supervisor Worthing, seconded by Supervisor Smith followed by a 4-0 voice vote.

On the recommendation of the Township Engineer, authorization was given for release of the financial security posted in the amount of \$33,738.10 for the ORX Railway Office Expansion on the motion of Supervisor Smith, seconded by Supervisor Worthing followed by a 4-0 voice vote.

Planning Commission

Supervisor Smith presented the Matthew Huff minor subdivision for property located off of SR 4020 Reightown Road (*Property Code 3.00-15-084*). The intent is to subdivide 1.54 acres off of his 42 acre plot for a single family home. Approval was given on the motion of Supervisor Smith seconded by Supervisor Worthing followed by a 4-0 voice vote.

Supervisor Smith presented the Robert & Doris Brubaker and Cathy Learn Re-Subdivision for property located off of Waterline Drive in the Northside Modular Development in Antis, Township, Blair County. The intent is to merge a portion of lot #29 and all of Lot #28 into Lot #27. Approval for the submission was denied because it does not meet the minimum requirements of the Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance on the motion of Supervisor Smith, seconded by Supervisor Worthing followed by a 4-0 voice vote.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report was approved on the motion of Supervisor Worthing, seconded by Supervisor Smith followed by a 4-0 voice vote.

A motion to approve the August, 2017 bills in the amount of **\$40,622.06** paid from the General Fund; **\$2513.00** from the Capital Reserve Fund; **\$2,433.25** from the Stormwater Improvements Fund and **\$128,264.50** from the State Fund were approved on the motion of Supervisor Worthing, seconded by Supervisor Smith followed by a 4-0 voice vote.

CDBG bills in the amount of \$2,350.13 were approved for payment on the motion of Supervisor Worthing, seconded by Supervisor Smith followed by a 4-0 yes roll call vote.

New Business

Resolution #9-2017 for the Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) for Pension was adopted on the motion of Supervisor Worthing, seconded by Supervisor Smith followed by a 4-0 voice vote.

On the motion of Supervisor Worthing, seconded by Supervisor Smith followed by a 4-0 voice vote the UPMC 2018-2019 Health Insurance Renewal was ratified.

On the motion of Supervisor Worthing seconded by Supervisor Smith followed by a 4-0 voice vote authorization was given to raise the CDBG Housing Rehab CAP amount from \$23K to \$24K.

On the motion of Supervisor Worthing, seconded by Supervisor Smith followed by a 4-0 voice vote authorization was given to reallocate \$50K in CDBG funds from Housing Rehab to the Bellwood Antis Community Park Cambria Street Area Improvement Project.

