

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

APRIL 5, 2012

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Raymond Amato  
Robert Smith  
Kenneth Hostler  
C.J. Caracciolo

VISITORS:

Joe Smyder, Resident  
Bob Himes, Resident  
Joan Sargent, Resident  
Bill Plummer, Resident  
Adam Long, Keller Engineers  
Mike McCracken, Resident  
Darin Tornator, Resident  
Evelyn Whitaker, Resident  
Cierra McCulley, Resident  
John Wastase, Resident  
Josh Beaver, Resident  
Randy Rydbum  
Steve Shiffler, Road Foreman  
Ginger Patterson, Manager's Secretary  
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.

During the Public Comment Period Bob Himes voiced concern over the increased traffic on Watts Road & North Second Street due to the rerouted traffic from the Tipton Bridge project. Mr. Martsolf responded that we have requested the State Police patrol the area to help slow traffic down and we contacted the area businesses requesting that they discourage their employees from using Watts road. However, they are public roads and we have no authority to restrict its use.

Mr. Himes also inquired about a fence placed on his neighboring property. Mr. Martsolf responded that this is a property to property owner dispute.

Mr. Tornator gave a brief synopsis of the activity occurring at the Kevin Taylor property located on Kingdom Street. Mr. Martsolf responded that the Ordinance Officer has cited Mr. Taylor and will continue to do so until the issues are resolved

The March 1, 2012 Board of Supervisor meeting minutes, the March 1 CDBG Public Hearing minutes, the March 7 Special Meeting minutes, the March 22 Public Hearing & Special Meeting minutes were approved on the motion of Bob Smith, seconded by C.J. Caracciolo followed by a 4-0 aye vote.

#### Supervisor's Reports

1. Ray Amato
  - ♦ Safety Committee Minutes of March 2012

Chairman Amato thanked those in the community who contribute to projects at the Park.

Chairman Amato announced that Mr. Taylor was unable to attend the meeting.

2. C.J. Caracciolo requested the Manager send a letter to the State Police to enforce the speed limit on North Second and Watts Road. The Board concurred.

#### Manager's Report

1. The manager gave a brief report on the Capital Improvements Committee Meeting.

#### Engineer's Report

The Township Engineer read the Park Improvements Phase II Bids.

C.J. Caracciolo moved to approve the Notice of Intent to Award, Notice of Award, Agreement, and Notice to Proceed and to authorize the Chairman to execute all necessary documents, all contingent upon successful review of bid submissions and upon receipt of appropriate recommendations from the Township Engineer and Township Solicitor. The motion was seconded by Bob Smith followed by a 3-1 yes vote with Ken Hostler voting no.

Note was made of the Antis Township Planning Commission minutes of March 15, 2012.

Based on the recommendation of the Planning Commission, Bob Smith moved to approve the Enterprise Campus (Lot Merge) Re-Subdivision, property code 3-16-13-A, located on the east side of Route 220, East Pleasant Valley Boulevard. The intent is to combine Lot 5 with the Gardner Denver facility currently under construction. The only construction proposed for lot 5 is a pole sign along Interstate 99. The motion was seconded by C.J. Caracciolo followed by a 4-0 aye vote.

Based on the recommendation of the Planning Commission, Bob Smith moved to approve a ninety day review period extension with an expiration date of June 16, 2012 for the Countryside Estates Major Subdivision. The motion was seconded by C.J. Caracciolo followed by a 4-0 aye vote.

Based on the recommendation of the Planning Commission, Bob Smith moved to approve a waiver to the entire Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance for the Joshua Beaver Land Development, property code 3-16-15-B, located off of Wills Lane, Antis Township. Mr. Beaver would like to construct a new home on the 151 acre parcel where he currently resides and use his current residence as a rental property. The proposed property is accessed by a bridge off of

River Road and at no point does Mr. Beaver's property have frontage onto a Township or State Road. The motion was seconded by C.J. Caracciolo followed by a 4-0 aye vote.

The Treasurer's report was approved on the motion of Bob Smith, seconded by C.J. Caracciolo followed by a 4-0 yes roll call vote.

Bills in the amount of \$52,276.17 from the General Fund, \$9,298.75 from the Capital Reserve Fund, were approved for payment, on the motion of Ken Hostler, seconded by C.J. Caracciolo followed by a 4-0 yes roll call vote.

CDBG bills in the amount of \$1,078.64 for reimbursement to the Township for administrative expenses and \$366 to Stiffler, McGraw & Associates for payment of contracted administrative expenses were approved on the motion of Bob Smith seconded by C.J. Caracciolo followed by a 4-0 yes roll call vote.

Bid proposals for stone and anti-skid for 2012 were opened by the Township Manager. Bids were received from Bucktail, New Enterprise Stone & Lime, Woodland and Grannas Brothers. The bid was awarded to New Enterprise on the motion of Ken Hostler, seconded by C.J. Caracciolo followed by a 4-0 yes roll call vote. A copy of the bid tabulation is attached and made part of these minutes.

Based on a recommendation of the Capital Improvements Committee, approval was given to purchase a 2012 Ford F-150 in the amount of \$25,757 to be released from the Equipment Fund. Approval was given on the motion of Bob Smith, seconded by Ken Hostler followed by a 3-1 yes vote with Ray Amato voting no.

Authorization was given to advertise acceptance of bid proposals for the 1997 GMC Sierra with bid opening at the May 3, 2012 Board of Supervisors meeting. Authorization was given on the motion of Bob Smith, seconded by Ken Hostler followed by a 4-0 aye vote.

Resolution #5-2012, urging the Pennsylvania General Assembly to eliminate or amend the State Prevailing Wage Act 442 of 1961, was approved on the motion of Bob Smith, seconded by C.J. Caracciolo followed by a 3-1 yes roll call vote with Ken Hostler voting no.

A motion to deny a request to install duck crossing signs near Martins Store along East Pleasant Valley Boulevard was approved on the motion of Bob Smith, seconded by C.J. Caracciolo followed by a 4-0 aye vote.

Mike McCracken requested a setback variance from the requirement in the Flood Plain Ordinance for construction to be located within the area measured 50 feet landward from the top of any watercourse to reconstruct his home that was destroyed by fire. Through a review of the amended Floodplain Ordinance adopted in March of 2012 it was determined that the fifty-foot setback provision has been eliminated and the new maps have defined zones to address the floodway. In this case, Mr. McCracken would have to meet the requirements as outlined under the specific zone in which the structure is located. In order to facilitate Mr. McCracken's reconstruction, Bob Smith moved to give conditional approval for a variance, in the event one is needed, to reconstruct the home on the existing foundation provided the proposed construction does not increase the flood elevation by one foot, and all UCC Building Code requirements are met. The motion was seconded by C.J. Caracciolo followed by a 4-0 aye vote. Mr. Smith further commented that if it is determined that the structure is within a zone in which the

Township has no jurisdiction then Mr. McCracken would have to gain approval from the appropriate authority. Mr. McCracken acknowledged that he understood. Attorney Fanelli commented that in the event a variance to a provision in the flood ordinance is required, it may make the structure ineligible for flood insurance. Mr. McCracken acknowledged that he understood.

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

A Public Hearing was held to receive and review comments on the Township's intent to vacate property on Campbell Lane near East Sixth Street. Attorney Fanelli reported that required notices have been sent to Joan Sergeant and the Commonwealth with the Commonwealth providing the following response:

*"Kindly be advised that the Department will not accept any real property Antis Township attempts to vacate. Legal authority does not exist for a township to vacate land to the Commonwealth without its consent. A better solution may be to vacate the entire parcel to the abutting landowner. The Department would have no objection should the Township wish to do so."*

Attorney Fanelli explained we are not vacating the property to anyone. We are simply vacating the property. The extent to which part of the property belongs to Mrs. Sergeant and part to the Commonwealth is between the two parties. The Commonwealth responded that they would have no objection if Mrs. Sergeant claimed the entire parcel as hers.

Bob Smith moved to authorize the solicitor to prepare and advertise for adoption an ordinance to formally vacate the property on Campbell Lane near East Sixth Street. The motion was seconded by C.J. Caracciolo followed by a 4-0 aye vote.

The meeting adjourned 8:40 PM.

Submitted by:  
Lori Del Biondo  
Antis Township Secretary-Treasurer