

MINUTES

Antis Township 2021 Board of Supervisors

December 2, 2021, Antis Township Meeting Room

ATTENDANCE

Board Members

David Worthing, Chairman; Bob Smith, Supervisor; Janet Lantz, Supervisor; Kenneth Hostler, Supervisor; Steve Winterstein, Supervisor

Staff

Lori Del Biondo, John Frederick, and Douglas Brown

Visitors

Chris Dutrow – Stiffler, McGraw & Assoc., Patrick Fanelli – Fanelli-Willet Law Offices, Lance Kustaborder – Pinecroft Fire Company, Jack McCloskey – Excelsior Fire Company, Jessica Ford-Cameran– Bellwood-Antis Library and Residents - Brian Kustaboarder , Dave McCloskey, Shaun and Kathy Sweigert

The December 2, 2021 Board of Supervisors meeting was called to order at 6:58 by David Worthing followed by the prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment Period

There were no comments during the Public Comment Period.

Meeting Minutes

The November 2021 Board of Supervisor meeting minutes were approved on the motion of Supervisor Lantz, seconded by Supervisor Smith followed by a 5-0 voice vote.

Supervisors Reports

David Worthing thanked Supervisor Ken Hostler for his 16 years of service on the Board as well as many other years serving on the Bellwood-Antis School Board and Northern Blair Sewer Authority. He finished with Resolution 12-2021 recognizing Supervisor Hostler's service. The resolution was Motioned by Supervisor Smith and seconded by Supervisor Winterstein.

Solicitor's Report

Nothing to report.

Manager's Report

Douglas Brown – In addition to the prepared report the manager also added a fact sheet regarding the Logan Valley Streetcar Trail. This included the amount of money spent through grants and by the township as well as estimates for the coming 3 phases and notes on the progress of each phase.

Library Report

A report was provided by Jessica who also addressed the need for a new roof. Currently it is patched, no longer leaking and they are gathering quotes that are much more reasonable than originally feared.

Public Safety Report

Pinecroft and Excelsior provided reports. Jack McCloskey noted that the annual Christmas Parade would be Sunday 12/5 at 2:00. Jack McCloskey also asked the Supervisors, based on a conversation with the Township Manager, if they could report quarterly instead of monthly. This item will be included on the January Agenda for a vote.

Road Foreman Report

Randy Showalter was on vacation this week, but provided a report that was included in the Manager's Report.

Code Enforcement Report

Nothing to Report

Engineer's Report

Nothing to Report.

Planning Commission Reports

Supervisor Smith started the report with a notice that Sheree Otto-Luke would not be renewing her term next year. It was also mentioned that during the last Planning Commission meeting that there would be a renewed focus on requiring any sketch plans that are submitted to have a representative present in order to discuss

- a. Bruce & Cathy Knisely Subdivision – Request is to subdivide a 5.98 acre parcel into a .614 acre parcel with the existing residential structure and garage on it. Requesting Final Approval. Supervisor Smith motioned to approve as presented, the motion was seconded by Supervisor Winterstein followed by a 5-0 vote.
- b. Cathy DelGrosso Lot Line Change – Request is to add one acre to an adjoining parcel (03.00-07-008). Requesting Final Approval. Supervisor Smith motioned to approve as presented, the motion was seconded by Supervisor Winterstein followed by a 5-0 vote.
- c. The Planning Commission also had a request to grant a 130 day extension to Rutters. This would carry the proposal to the May Board of Supervisors Meeting. There was a motion to approve by Supervisor Smith, seconded by Supervisor Lantz followed by a 5-0 vote.

Treasurer Reports

The treasurer's report was approved on the motion by Supervisor Hostler, seconded by Supervisor Lantz followed by a 5-0 voice vote.

Bills in the amount of \$31,567.35 from the General Fund, \$316.50 from the Stormwater Improvement Fund, \$13626.02 from the Southern Alleghenies Grant, \$5,594.08 from the C2P2 grant and \$10,004.60 from Liquid Fuels were approved for payment by the motion from Supervisor Smith, seconded by Supervisor Hostler followed by a 5-0 voice vote.

Unfinished Business

Resolution 10-2021 to adopt the 2022 Budget was motioned by Supervisor Winterstein, seconded by Supervisor Smith and a 5-0 roll call vote. Supervisor Smith did expound on the budget and indicated that he has some hesitation moving forward due to the delayed equipment purchases, increased costs, and more money to be spent on the rail trail and other recreation. He is supportive of the budget, but cautions that the Township needs to be mindful of these items moving forward.

Resolution 11-2021 making supplemental appropriations of amounts to to the budget accounts for 2021. The resolution was motioned for approval by Supervisor Smith, seconded by Supervisor Lantz followed by a 5-0 vote.

New Business

Authorize a Permit and Fee for the compost yard. The proposed fee schedule would be instituted in 2022 and would help to control the immense amount of traffic to the site and also disincentive non-residents from using it. A motion was made by Supervisor Winterstein to approve a fee schedule, seconded by Supervisor Smith followed be a 5-0 vote.

There was a request to reallocate CDBG funds that will be used to build a COVID No-Touch restroom on the Logan Valley Streetcar Trail. The bathroom, using the existing structure on Becker Road, is expected to cost \$30,000 with any remaining funds to be used to support The Hope Center with any qualified projects or The Door's projects.

Public Comment Period

Residents Kathy and Shaun Sweigert wished to follow up on the Hesel Stormwater issue for which they had previously attended the September meeting. The issue has not been resolved, and they are extremely frustrated as their yard has suffered the consequences of additional water runoff since the construction began. The Township Manager has been actively managing the situation with regular updates provided to the Sweigerts. They also expressed frustration that the last update noted that the work would be completed "with the cooperation of the weather" and that the Township would be willing to work with the Hesel's regarding any citations and penalties.

Township Manager, Douglas Brown, remarked that yes he did provide those updates, and will continue to press the matter. However, after the stormwater facility is installed, inspected and approved by the Township Engineer that he would be willing to discuss the citations and fees with the Hesel's. Supervisor Smith then narrated that the intent of the Township is not to use fees in a punitive manner, but to spur action, which although delayed has been effective since the September meeting. Since then the stormwater plan has been submitted by the Hesel's engineer, approved, and other than a few administrative items is ready to be constructed. The Sweigert's did thank the Township Engineer, Chris Dutrow, for his continued efforts and quick responses.

The meeting adjourned at 7:54 PM.

Submitted by: