

MINUTES

Antis Township 2025 Board of Supervisors

March 6, 2025 Antis Township Meeting Room

ATTENDANCE

Board Members

Brian Kustaborder, George Bell, Benjamin Hornberger, Susan Kensinger, Steve Winterstein

Staff

Douglas Brown, Randy Showalter, Lori Del Biondo, Shawn Wolfe

Visitors

Township Engineer Chris Dutrow, Township Attorney Pat Fanelli, Eric Stroup, Tyrone Daily Herald ; Jack McCloskey, Excelsior Fire Company; Joseph Whiteford, Excelsior Fire Company, Ron McConnell, Alliance; Joe Smyder, Resident; Jim Greene, Excelsior Fire Company; Bill Muri, Pineroft Fire Company; Bill Damiano, Resident; Steve McKnight, ABCD; John Stoy, Resident

The March 6, 2025 Board of Supervisors meeting was called to order at 6:00 by Brian Kustaborder followed by prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment Period

Supervisor Bell read a letter that was sent to Pineroft Fire Company by Excelsior noting that they are interested in a merger with Pineroft. Bill Muri, Pineroft Fire Company responded that Pineroft is not interested. Mr. Muri was advised that he needs to present the request to the members for a formal vote.

Meeting1 Minutes

The February 6, 2025 Board of Supervisor meeting minutes were approved on the motion of Supervisor Winterstein, seconded by Supervisor Kensinger followed by a 5-0 voice vote.

Supervisors Reports

Sue Kensinger reported that the library received two Dollar General Literacy grants and that the annual book sale was a success.

Solicitor's Report

The solicitor had nothing to report.

Manager's Report

Code Enforcement Report

Shawn Wolfe reported that the Stoy property has made significant progress cleaning up their property.

Engineer's Report

On the motion of Supervisor Bell, seconded by Supervisor Hornberger, the Engineering services agreement with Stiffler McGraw & Associates for the Green Light Go project was authorized for execution.

Planning Commission

The Manager presented the Ryan Hess Lot Line Merger. Richard & Cynthia Ryan and Philip & Lindsay Hess are owners of adjoining land (Parcels: 3-20-179 & 3-23C-100.53 & 3-23C-100.54) located in the Pinecroft section of Antis Township. It is the intention of the property owners to reconfigure the common line between the parcels. Area "A" containing .500 acres is not be conveyed from Ryan and merged with adjoining lands of Hess. It is also the intent of the Hess's to merge Area "A" and tax parcels 3-23C-100.53 & 3-23C-100.54 into one contiguous lot eliminating lot lines and associated building setback lines. The proposed changes will result in the Hess land containing 1.165 acres and the Ryuan Land containing 9.44 acres. On the motion of Supervisor Kustaborder seconded by Supervisor Kensinger followed by a 5-0 voice vote the Hess -Ryan lot line merger and relocation was approved.

Treasurer Reports

The February 2025 Treasurers Report was approved on the motion of Supervisor Kensinger, seconded by Supervisor Winterstein followed by a 5-0 voice vote.

Bills in the amount of \$41,930.95 from the General Fund, \$81.25 from the Stormwater improvement Fund and \$22,346.65 from the Capital Reserve Fund were approved on the motion of Supervisor Winterstein seconded by Supervisor Kensinger followed by a 5-0 roll call vote.

New Business

A motion to authorize the advertisement for the Paving program, the Aggregate Material Bid, Paving at the park, and mowing at the park was made by Supervisor Winterstein, seconded by Supervisor Bell followed by a 5-0 vote.

On the motion of Supervisor Hornberger, seconded by Supervisor Bell authorization was given to execute the Election Polling Place Agreement with the County.

On the motion of Supervisor Bell, seconded by Supervisor Kensinger followed by a 5-0 voice vote authorization was given to execute the Agreement with the Blair Regional YMCA to manage the community swimming pool.

A motion to adopt Resolution #2-2025 exonerating the Tax Collector from collecting uncollectible Per Capita for the period of 2024 was made by Supervisor Kensinger, seconded by Supervisor Winterstein followed by a 5-0 vote.

Resolution #3-2025 to decertify EXPLORE Altoona was tabled on the motion of Supervisor Winterstein seconded by Supervisor Kustaborder followed by a 4-0 vote with Supervisor Hornberger voting no. After some discussion with representatives of the Alliance and the Solicitor not taking issue with the lack of a public meeting held before the township vote, Resolution #3-2025 to decertify EXPLORE Altoona was adopted on a second motion by Supervisor Hornberger, seconded by Supervisor Winterstein followed by a 4-0 vote with Supervisor Bell voting no. Supervisor Bell felt that EXPLORE Altoona should have had a chance to speak on their behalf as well.

On the motion of Supervisor Winterstein seconded by Supervisor Kustaborder, followed by a 5-0 voice vote authorization was given to purchase the JCB backhoe for \$113,500 along with a trade.

On the motion of Supervisor Bell seconded by Supervisor Hornberger followed by a 5-0 voice vote, authorization was given to execute the Western Conservancy Agreement which authorizes the conservancy to undertake riparian tree planting activities on land owned by the township.

On the motion of Supervisor Winterstein, seconded by Supervisor Kensinger followed by a 5-0 voice vote the agreement with Blu Acres to provide rain garden maintenance at a cost of \$5,000 was approved.

On the motion of supervisor Winterstein seconded by Supervisor Kensinger followed by a 5-0 voice vote authorization was given to add the Walk Works Grant to the agenda and move forward with its submission.

Public Comment Period

There was no public comment.

Adjournment

Supervisor Winterstein moved to adjourn at 6:44 PM with Supervisor Kensinger seconding the motion.

Submitted by: Lori DelBiondo