

**BERWICK TOWNSHIP, ADAMS COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 27, 2012**

CALL TO ORDER

The February 27, 2012 regular meeting of the Berwick Township Board of Supervisors, Adams County, was held in the Berwick Township Municipal Building, 85 Municipal Road, Hanover, PA. Chairman Robert Foltz called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Present were Supervisors Bob Foltz, Fred Nugent, Pete Socks, Earle Black, and Barry Cockley. Solicitor Tim Shultis, Engineer Tim Knoebel, and Township Secretary Karen Eakin were present. Bob Foltz asked all to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

FIRE COMPANY YEAR-END REPORT FOR 2011 – Fire Truck responded to a total of 423 incidents, Ambulance responded to 1,522 calls for the year.

JANUARY 2012 – Fire Truck responded to 47 calls for the month, Ambulance responded to 125 calls for the month.

CONSENT AGENDA

MINUTES FOR 02/13/12 – Fred Nugent made the **motion** to approve the Minutes from 2/13/12, Pete Socks seconded. Motion carried with 5 yeas.

CORRESPONDENCE

ADAMS COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT – No discussion

ADAMS COUNTY OFFICE OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT – Application for 2012 CDBG - Deadline is March 9.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

DUMP TRUCK – Faulty wire has been replaced with no cost to the Township.

ACT 167 – Dean Hempfing is attending the training on March 14, from 1-3 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

MR. HOFFMAN – Discussion of purchasing adjoining lot. Supervisor Black recommended that Mr. Hoffman bring a sketch plan to the next Planning Commission Meeting.

SEAL COATING ESTIMATES – Bob Foltz made the **motion** to advertise the bid for seal coating and grip tightening on roads. Pete Socks seconded. 5 yeas, motion carried.

FLAGGER TRAINING – Bob Foltz and Bob Frock will attend Flagger Training on April 11, 2012.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

No Report

ENGINEER'S REPORT

ENGINEERING

1. WWTP January Operating Report – January report was reviewed.
2. Stormwater Management Ordinance – Discussion of the new ordinance. Bob Foltz made the **motion** for the Solicitor, Tim Shultis, to determine what should be incorporated into the new Stormwater Management Ordinance from the existing Subdivision and Land Development Ordinances for Berwick Township. Pete Socks seconded. Motion carried with 5 yeas.

SUBDIVISION & LAND DEVELOPMENT

1. Monthly Pending Plans – Reviewed, none require action at this time.
2. Bridges Phase 1 Preliminary Plan –
 - a. Waiver Request to Section 403.G.6 – Discussion of separation of access roads going into development off of Bair Road. Ordinance requires separation of 500 feet, there is currently 200 feet of separation. Developer cannot move forward until waiver is addressed. Developer states that there is a hardship because of the wetlands. Barry Cockley made the **motion** to approve the waiver request conditioned upon permit approval by the state and the Army Corps of Engineers. Motion was not seconded.

Earle Black made the **motion** to discuss approving the waiver, Barry Cockley seconded. 2 yeas, 3 nays, motion was not carried.
 - b. Review Road Improvement Requirements for Lobell Road – Sketch plan of road improvement still needs to be discussed. Plan is not presently before the Board.
 - c. Price quote on double seal coat on Lobell Road – no plan in place going forward.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – 6:57- 7:45 to discuss the issue with the Solicitor.

Discussion with developer over required road improvements for the Bridges Plan Phase 1. The Township Engineer's 2/23/12 memorandum was handed out and discussed with the developer.

Developer's legal representative would like the motion to deny the waiver request rescinded.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – 8:17-8:19 to discuss the issue.

Earle Black made the **motion** to rescind the previous motion regarding the waiver request for 200 feet separation of driveways, Barry Cockley seconded. 4 yeas, chairman votes nay. Motion carried. Previous motion rescinded.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

CROSS KEYS – Discussion of Hamilton Township's Court Hearing regarding Cross Keys. Letter to Hamilton Township sent.

MUNICIPAL ROAD – Discussion of sewer bill due from owner of property.

SEWER COLLECTION CASES – Discussion of sewer bill: Got a Judgment against property owner and Writ of Execution (sheriff cannot serve papers). Solicitor suggests paying constable to serve papers. Bob Foltz made **motion** to have constable serve the papers, Pete Socks seconded. 5 yeas, motion carried.

SUPERVISOR COMMENTS

Pete Socks questioned Earle Black's receiving of tax payer funded health insurance and property improvements.

PERMIT/ZONING REPORT

CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT – Reviewed.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

EAGLE VIEW – Eagle View had meeting with a turnout of about 60. They are forming an informal community association and retaining an attorney.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS

ADJOURNMENT

Pete Socks made the **motion** to adjourn at 8:39 p.m., Barry Cockley seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted:

Karen Eakin, Township Secretary