

**BERWICK TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
REGULAR MEETING  
NOVEMBER 14, 2016**

**CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG:** The November 14, 2016 regular meeting of the Berwick Township Board of Supervisors was held in the Berwick Township Municipal Building, 85 Municipal Road, Hanover, PA. Chairman Socks called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present were Supervisors Pete Socks, Barry Cockley, Tom Danner, Bob Foltz, Solicitor Tim Shultis, Engineer, Tim Knoebel, Secretary, Jean Hawbaker. Earle Black did not attend this meeting. Chairman Socks asked all to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**PUBLIC COMMENT (AGENDA ITEMS):** Assistant Chief, Nick Shaffer from UH&L stated there were a total of 41 calls in October. We handled a fire call along Municipal Road. We dedicated 136 hours to Fire Protection Month. Use caution when burning outside since it is so dry.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** Barry Cockley made a motion to approve the consent agenda, which includes the minutes of October 7 and 10, 2016, bill lists, unpaid bill lists, balance sheets dated November 11, 2016, and Roadmaster's report for October 2016, seconded by Tom Danner. Bob Foltz stated the October 7, 2016 minutes should reflect that he stated Mr. Black was picking on the road crew, and that all residents should be treated equally with permits. **Roll Call: Cockley – yes, Socks – yes, abstaining from account #405.400 on the bill list, Danner – yes, Foltz – yes, with the noted amendments to the October 7, 2016 minutes. Motion carried.**

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

- 1) **Irvin Weinberg – Unlocking/Locking Recycling Trailer 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of each Month** – The Board agreed to keep the trailer unlocked, and to post a sign on the door that it will remain unlocked.
  
- 2) **Adams County Office of Planning and Development – Interest in implementing a \$5.00 Registration Fee** – Bob Foltz stated when we gave money for that big engine truck, Berwick donated \$25,000, and no one else gave anything. You have got to be fair. Tom Danner would like to get input from the residents. The Board agreed a letter should be sent to Adams County requesting a better explanation, more details and clarity on what they are proposing, and how they will administer this program. Pete Socks made a motion to send the letter, seconded by Tom Danner. **Roll Call: Cockley – yes, Socks – yes, Danner – yes, Foltz – yes. Motion carried.**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None.

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**NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1) **2017 Budget Adoption** – Bob Foltz made a motion to adopt the 2017 Budget, seconded by Barry Cockley, which includes a .15 tax reduction. **Roll Call: Cockley – yes, Socks – yes, abstaining from account #405.400, Danner – yes, Foltz – yes. Motion carried.**

**CORRESPONDENCE CONT'D.:**

- 3) **United Hook & Ladder's Annual Dinner 11/28/16** – Barry Cockley, Pete Socks, Tom Danner, and Bob Foltz will be attending, and the Secretary, if she so chooses.

**NEW BUSINESS CONT'D:**

- 1) **Cleaning Service Quotes** – Bob Foltz stated the employees have been cleaning the office, and tabled this issue at this time.
- 2) **Pickup Truck – Reupholster Seat** – Barry Cockley made a motion for Johnny's Auto Upholstery, Inc. to do the work in the amount of \$125.00, seconded by Tom Danner. **Roll Call: Cockley – yes, Socks – yes, Danner – yes, Foltz – yes. Motion carried.**
- 3) **Employee, Planning Commission & Zoning Hearing Board Gift Cards** – Bob Foltz stated we should do something for the Election Board members who are donating their time. One of them is resigning soon, and should get a plaque. Pete Socks made a motion to give \$100.00 gift cards to the employees, seconded by Barry Cockley. **Roll Call: Cockley – yes, Socks – yes, Danner – yes. Foltz abstained since he is an employee. Motion carried.**

Pete Socks made a motion to give the Planning Commission \$50.00 gift cards, seconded by Barry Cockley. **Roll Call: Cockley – yes, Socks – yes, Foltz – yes. Danner abstained since he is a member of the Planning Commission. Motion carried.**

Pete Socks made a motion to give the Zoning Hearing Board \$50.00 gift cards, seconded by Barry Cockley. **Roll Call: Cockley – yes, Socks – yes, Danner – yes, Foltz – yes. Motion carried.** The Board tabled the discussion for the Election Board so Tim Shultis can research it.

- 4) **Eagle View Farmhouse** - Bob Foltz stated they put on a new porch at the farmhouse. Tim Shultis will discuss this under his report.
- 5) **871 Race Track Road** – Bob Foltz stated the pipe they put in 2 years ago is not big enough. A letter should be sent to them. Tom Danner stated a previous letter was sent to them. Tom Danner made a motion for Tim Shultis to send them a follow-up letter giving

them a timeframe to correct the violation, seconded by Bob Foltz. **Roll Call: Cockley – yes, Socks – yes, Danner – yes, Foltz – yes. Motion carried.**

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- 6) **271 Race Track Road** – Bob Foltz stated they are blowing their leaves into the gutter. Tom Danner will let the Zoning Officer know about this issue so he can send them a letter.

**APPEARANCES:** None.

**STATE POLICE:**

29 calls in October 2016

**UNITED HOOK & LADDER:**

5 calls for Berwick in October 2016 – 41 total calls

**ADAMS REGIONAL EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES:**

34 calls in October 2016

**CODE ENFORCEMENT/PERMITS:**

4 permits issued in October 2016

Tom Danner stated there is a lack of enforcement mentality and a lack of some enforcement issues. I will sit down with Land and Sea in January for their 6-month review. If anyone has any issues, make sure they are given to me.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT:**

- 1) WWTP Operations Report – October 2016
- 2) Pending Plans Report
- 3) New forms were prepared for the Beaver Creek Road project as per DEP and need to be signed. Bob Foltz made a motion for the Chairman to sign the forms, seconded by Tom Danner. **Roll Call: Cockley – yes, Socks – yes, Danner – yes, Foltz – yes. Motion carried.**
- 4) A punch list was prepared for Bermudian Keys. Art Smith was present to discuss moving the inlets and curbs to align the tops with the inlet boxes. The areas in which Conewago remediated the inlet tops in this same fashion are located on Wilson Avenue, between

the high school and elementary school and at the corner of Beck Mill Road and Grandview Road. KPI will arrange to look at the inlet boxes in these areas.

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**SUBDIVISION/LAND DEVELOPMENT PLANS:**

- 1) **Douglas & Rebecca Smith – Final Subdivision Plan/Planning Module – (High Rock Road) – Must act by 12/5/16 – (Request for a 90-day extension)** – Pete Socks made a motion to grant a 90-day extension, seconded by Tom Danner. **Roll Call: Cockley – yes, Socks – yes, Danner – yes, Foltz – yes. Motion carried.**

**SOLICITOR’S REPORT:**

- 1) Mr. Shultis presented an Ordinance Repealing Ordinance No. 76 to the Board, which prohibited parking on Abbottstown Pike from Race Track Road to Mill Race Road – Bob Foltz made a motion to authorize advertisement, seconded by Pete Socks. **Roll Call: Cockley – yes, Socks – yes, Danner – yes, Foltz – yes. Motion carried.**
- 2) O’Brien’s filed a motion before the entire Commonwealth Court. We filed a response and don’t think it will go anywhere.
- 3) The property at 42 Race Track Road where the mobile home was removed from the property, the owner will need to sign a reserve capacity agreement and will be given a certain time period, in which to move another home in. Pete Socks made a motion to extend the time period through June 2017, reduce the quarterly fee to \$70.00 for reserve capacity and revisit it at that time if there continues to be no tenant in place, seconded by Barry Cockley. **Roll Call: Cockley – yes, Socks – yes, Danner – yes, Foltz – yes. Motion carried.**
- 4) Received an updated title report for the Sileazar’s. There is a mortgage foreclosure action filed and a judgment entered mid-October. Do you want to ride the coattails of the mortgage foreclosure action and go and bid like we normally do, or do you want to push the issue? It will cost \$2,500 to list it for sheriff’s sale. They owe the township \$10,000 and I think the township should ride the coattails of the mortgage foreclosure. The Board concurred.
- 5) Insite will need to be discussed in executive session.
- 6) Mr. Shultis stated Hamilton Township made all of the requested changes to the agreement. I did hear back from Pennvest, and they are concerned with the loss of revenue that we won’t be receiving from Hamilton Township. I’m waiting to hear back from DEP on whether or not we need to amend our Act 537 Plan.

**SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS:**

Barry Cockley – None

Tom Danner – Thanked Constable Jim Wright for his presence on election day.

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Bob Foltz – Carma Industrial Coating is putting something in the sewer line they shouldn't be. Will need to set up for testing.

Pete Socks – What is the status of the MS4? Tim Knoebel stated they are working on the waiver.

**PUBLIC COMMENT (GENERAL):** None.

The Board went into executive session at 7:25 p.m. to discuss issues relative to attorney client privileged matters.

The Board came out of executive session at 7:39 p.m.

Pete Socks made a motion to set up a meeting with Don Erwin and with township representatives, Tim Shultis and Tom Danner, seconded by Tom Danner. **Roll Call: Cockley – yes, Socks – yes, Danner – yes, Foltz – no. Motion carried.**

Adjournment was at 7:40 p.m. by motion of Pete Socks, seconded by Barry Cockley.

**The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Berwick Township Board of Supervisors will be held on December 12, 2016, 6:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 85 Municipal Road, Hanover, PA 17331.**

Respectfully submitted,

Jean A. Hawbaker  
Secretary/Treasurer  
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