

**Benner Township Supervisors
April 3, 2000**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Benner Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by the Chairman, Michael Kelleher with members Richard Lahr and David Breon present. Also in attendance were Renee McGowan, Rick Bair, Michelle Rosengrant, Clair Stem, Chris Jabco and Beatrice Jabco.

PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Rick Bair: Mr. Bair, CPA from the firm of Parente Randolph, was present to go over the Township's 1999-year end audit. Mr. Lahr moved to accept the 1999 year end audit. Mr. Kelleher seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Breon – yes Mr. Lahr – yes Mr. Kelleher – yes

Michelle Rosengrant: Mrs. Rosengrant was present to go over the details of the 2000 Summer Rec. Program. Mrs. Rosengrant noted that a couple of the past employees were returning again this year. They would like to begin the program on June 26th. Depending on the status of Mansun school buses they would like to continue the swimming on Fridays.

MINUTES

The minutes of March 20, 2000, were presented to the Board for their review and comments. Mr. Breon moved to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Lahr seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Breon – yes Mr. Lahr – yes Mr. Kelleher – yes

BILLS

The bills of April 3, 2000, were presented to the Board for their review and approval. Mr. Lahr moved to approve the bills as presented. Mr. Breon seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Breon – yes Mr. Lahr – yes Mr. Kelleher – yes

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT

**GIS:* Ms. McGowan noted that she spoke with the County GIS Department to see where they are with the Township's boundary survey. They noted that they are not yet completed with the work and should have it completed within the next couple months.

**Grandview:* It was noted that a meeting is scheduled for Wednesday at Sweetland's office to go over the traffic study for Grandview.

**Beezer Hill Road:* It was noted that several people who own property along Beezer Hill Road attended the Planning Commission's last meeting relative to options dealing with the Beezer Hill Road problems. It was noted that most of the persons in attendance did not want to see the road cul-de-saced. Discussion

was held about having Tom Zilla do a traffic count and speed study on the road and to look into traffic calming measures.

**Walter Houtz:* Ms. McGowan noted that she has gone out two times after Mr. Houtz has complained about barking dogs and has heard nothing.

**Jabco Conditional Use Request:* Much discussion was held. Ms. McGowan noted that John Jabco called today to say that he will give the 19-acre tract of ground to his son and combine it with Chris's one-acre lot that has a house on it and put the business in Chris's name. It was noted that even if the lots are combined that the use he wants still might not fall within the guidelines of the zoning ordinance. The Board noted that before they give the Jabco's their final determination they want to hold a conference call with the Township's attorney to go over questions they have on his legal opinion.

OLD BUSINESS

Spring Township Agreement/Boundary Change: Tabled.

Patton Township/Benner Township Boundary: Tabled.

Stone Bids: It was noted that the Township's attorney has said that the Board may award the stone bids to whom ever they want when the bids are the same. Mr. Kelleher moved to award all of the stone bids except for the 2A picked up at the plant and the cold patch to Hanson Aggregates. The 2A picked up and the cold patch to be awarded to Glenn O. Hawbaker. Mr. Lahr seconded the motion.
Vote: Mr. Breon – yes Mr. Lahr – yes Mr. Kelleher – yes

NEW BUSINESS

Constago Conditional Use: Mr. Lahr moved to pass the Conditional use request of Constago for an antenna on the Stem property on to the Planning Commission for their review and comments. Mr. Breon seconded the motion.
Vote: Mr. Breon – yes Mr. Lahr – yes Mr. Kelleher – yes

Class of 2001/Bellefonte Opoly: Mr. Lingle was present to ask if the Township would like to sponsor the Class of 2001 by purchasing a space on their Bellefonte Opoly game board. The Board will be similar to Monopoly but will feature historic places and people in Bellefonte. The cost of the sponsorship is \$300. Mr. Kelleher moved to sponsor the Brockerhoff Mill on the game board at the cost of \$300. Mr. Lahr seconded the motion.
Vote: Mr. Breon – yes Mr. Lahr – yes Mr. Kelleher – yes

Bill List Amendment: It was noted that the Township received a letter from Spearly Construction that they are willing to accept the \$400 for the paver box. Mr. Lahr moved to amend the bills to include a check for \$300 for the Class of 2001 and a check to John Spearly for \$400. Mr. Breon seconded the motion.
Vote: Mr. Breon – yes Mr. Lahr – yes Mr. Kelleher – yes

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board acknowledged receipt of the following correspondence:

1. Letter from French Re: Jabco's request
2. Shirley Corl Subdivision Time Extension
3. SBWJA minutes of March 13, 2000
4. Notice that Fish Commission/Pleasant Gap is going to drill a well
5. Tucker Sewage problem Letters
6. Letter from Walkers that they wish to eliminate 2 buildings on Phase I of their land development plan
7. HRG – Road Bonding
 - a. Crestview paperwork
 - b. Barns Lane
8. French memo Re: traffic violations
9. PSATS Alert
10. Letter from ClearWater Conservancy Re: Fire Training Facility

Notes:

Airport Master Plan: It was noted that a memo was received from Bob Finley that he would still like someone from the Township to sit on the Master Plan review Board. Mr. Kelleher indicated that he would fill this position.

Memo of Understanding ClearWater Conservancy: A draft of a memo of understanding was given to the Board to review between ClearWater and the Township. This memorandum deals with the responsibilities involved in the \$9,000 grant that was received to create the overlay district ordinance.

Computers –It was noted that the computers have been ordered.

Driveway Ordinance: Mr. Kelleher noted that he wants the Driveway Ordinance amended to include that there will be no parking on the berms, swales that are disturbed must be fixed, and that storage of materials on berms are prohibited.

PSATS Resolutions: Mr. Lahr noted that the Board has a copy of the proposed resolutions in their packets. He asked that if the other members have strong feelings relative to any of them to let him know before Sunday.

I-99 Overlay District Ordinance: Mr. Breon noted that this ordinance is almost complete. Meetings are scheduled in June for the public officials and then for the general public.

State College Borough Water: Mr. Breon noted that at one of the monitoring wells that Todd Giddings and Associates monitors regularly is showing that the water table is still dropping from the lack of rain.

He noted further that neighbors of the Hampton Hills Development has contacted him with concerns of the effect the community well will have on their wells.

Part Time Help: The Board asked that an advertisement be placed in the paper for the part-time as needed summer employees to be paid at minimum wage.

Salt Shed: Discussion was held on starting to plan for the new salt shed. Mr. Kelleher asked the other members to check out the vendor area at the state convention for salt shed information.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned the time being 10:13 p.m.

Sharon Royer, Sec.