

FERGUSON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Regular Meeting
Monday, August 15, 2016
7:00 pm

I. ATTENDANCE

The Board of Supervisors held its second regular meeting of the month on Monday, August 15, 2016 at the Ferguson Township Municipal Building. In attendance were:

Board:	Steve Miller	Staff:	Mark Kunkle, Township Manager
	Peter Buckland		David Pribulka, Assistant Township Manager
	Janet Whitaker		Dave Modricker, Director of Public Works
	Laura Dininni		Ray Stolas, Director of Planning & Zoning
			Diane Conrad, Chief of Police
			Ron Seybert, Township Engineer
			Joseph Green, Township Solicitor
			Eric Endresen, Finance Director

Others in attendance included: Jendi Ammerman, Recording Secretary; Christian & River Alves; John Dietz; Kelli Hoover; Ron Ferris; Matt Vidic; John Liechty; Andy Mckinnon; Doug Lovicky; Peggy VanMeter; Rick Pagett; Dave Rizzo; Joe Viglione;

II. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Miller called the Monday, August 15, 2016, regular meeting to order at 7:02pm.

III. CITIZENS INPUT

Mr. River Alves spoke in support of the new Whitehall Road Regional Park, and the difference it would make to him as an 8-year-old.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

Ms. Dininni requested that the, Turnberry TTD Phase 1 Rushcliffe Only Surety Reduction No. 2, consent agenda item be pulled for discussion.

V. AUTHORITIES BOARDS AND COMMISSION REPORTS:

1) University Area Joint Authority – Mr. John Dietz

Mr. Dietz gave a brief report on the University Area Joint Authority (UAJA). The permitted capacity for UAJA is 9 million gallons per day and is allowed to discharge 6 million gallons to Spring Creek. Staff is continuously trying to reduce infiltration and inflow. The UAJA has a Beneficial Water Re-Use Program where water is run through an additional filtration system / membranes, to purify the water and use throughout the region. The 2016-year budget is on track and the 2016 revenues are sufficient. Mr. Dietz pointed out some significant projects of the UAJA; odor control, the energy project (solar panels and battery systems) and the Centre Region Nutrient Strategy.

Ms. Dininni showed concern about how the cost would be paid for both the odor and nitrogen issues. She estimated it to cost \$22-27M. Mr. Dietz replied that it would be addressed through municipal bonds that would be paid back over a period of time, by ratepayers.

Mr. Buckland inquired as to what percent of energy would the proposed solar array produce for UAJA. Mr. Dietz replied that it would be between 15 and 20%. He pointed out that the battery systems would more than pay for themselves. Mr. Buckland asked where the location of the proposed array would be located. Mr. Dietz replied that it would be on farmland on UAJA property.

VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS – RESOLUTIONS

- 1. A PUBLIC HEARING ON A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FERGUSON, CENTRE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, DESIGNATING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 2016 AS “CENTRE COUNTY SUICIDE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION MONTH” AND DESIGNATING SEPTEMBER 10, 2016 AS “CENTRE COUNTY SUICIDE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION DAY.”**

Mr. Kunkle introduced the resolution. The Taskforce is devoted to stepping up the commitment to mental wellness. In Pennsylvania suicide is the second leading cause of death for young people ages 10 through 24. The latest statistics from the Centers for Disease Control show that the suicide rate among middle aged Americans has increased by a factor of 30% since 1999. In Centre County there are approximately 15 confirmed suicides each year.

Ms. Whitaker moved that the Board of Supervisors adopt the Resolution # 2016-29 designating the month of September, 2016 as Centre County Suicide Awareness and Prevention Month and designating September 10, 2016 as Centre County Suicide Awareness and Prevention Day. Ms. Dininni seconded the motion.

ROLL-CALL VOTE: Ms. Dininni: YES; Mr. Miller: YES; Ms. Whitaker: YES; Mr. Buckland: YES

Ms. Dininni stated that on September 10th, Suicide Prevention and Awareness Day, at the Millbrook Marsh Nature Center there will be an evening of hope, healing and remembrance starting at 5:30. It is open to the public and free admission.

Mr. Buckland stated that there are community resources for people that may be under distress, and also a community hotline through the Community Help Center.

- 2. A PUBLIC HEARING ON A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FERGUSON, CENTRE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN AND SECRETARY TO EXECUTE AN AUTOMATED RED LIGHT ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM PROJECT FUNDING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF FERGUSON AND THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA**

Provided with the agenda was a copy of a resolution authorizing the Chairman and Secretary to execute a reimbursement agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the Automated Red Light Enforcement Program Project Funding for the 2016 project to implement traffic signal performance metrics. Mr. Kunkle stated the township is the recipient of grant funding in the amount of \$498,000 with a \$100,000 grant match amount by the Township. The project that is proposed for funding is a congestion mitigation project that would be implemented at all 20 signalized intersections in the township. The project will improve operations at these intersections by enhancing data logging, communications, and data processing using Purdue Metrics to optimize the performance of traffic signals. The project design would be done in a manner to be expandable to the growing signal system. To implement the proposed improvements, the Township will complete the required engineering, bidding, inspection, and construction management. The Township will utilize the expertise of PennDOT, FHWA, and Utah Department of Transportation to assist in developing the equipment and communication requirements to guarantee a successful installation. The Township Engineer will be the project manager.

Mr. Buckland moved that the Board of Supervisors adopt the Resolution # 2016-30 authorizing the Chairman and Secretary to execute an Automated Red Light Enforcement Grant Reimbursement agreement with the Commonwealth of PA. Ms. Dininni seconded the motion.

ROLL-CALL VOTE: Mr. Miller: YES; Mr. Buckland: YES; Ms. Whitaker: YES; Ms. Dininni: YES

3. A PUBLIC HEARING ON A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FERGUSON, CENTRE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, ADOPTING THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP) BUDGET FOR THE YEARS 2017 THROUGH 2021.

Mr. Kunkle introduced the item and presented on the 2017 – 2021 Capital Improvement Program Budget. The Board of Supervisors received the draft 2017-2021 Capital Improvement Program Budget on July 5th and conducted a Worksession on July 12th to review the draft CIP. Mr. Kunkle stated a copy of the draft budget has been available for public input at the Township office as well as posted on the Township website. The 5-year financial plan proposes expenditures of \$92.7M from all governmental funds. This does not include pension funds or the Tom Tudek Memorial Park Trust fund. The budget document is divided into revenue projections, expenditure projections in total, and further divided by areas of expenditure for administration, finance, information technology, police, planning, public works, and parks and recreation. All funds continue to have a positive fund balance throughout the 5-year financial horizon.

Ms. Hoover inquired about the location of the proposed fire station's location. Mr. Kunkle replied that there will be an evaluation done to determine where the best location would be.

Ms. Whitaker moved that the Board of Supervisors adopt Resolution # 2016-31 the Capital Improvement Program Budget for the years 2017 through 2021. Mr. Buckland seconded the motion.

Ms. Dininni inquired about the general funds, in particular the fund balances of expenditures decreasing from 42% in 2017 to 22% in 2021. She asked if the Township needs to increase revenue or cut spending to deal with that decrease. Mr. Kunkle replied that, that is a reasonable assumption. He pointed out that the decrease happens in the last year of the CIP, so it is 5 years out. Adjustments will be made by staff to insure that the fund balances remain strong. Mr. Miller pointed out that he has found staff to be very conservative in their projections of income. Ms. Dininni asked if the budget takes into consideration a basic raise for staff. Mr. Endresen replied that it does take into consideration a 3% raise.

ROLL-CALL VOTE: Ms. Whitaker: YES; Mr. Buckland: YES; Ms. Dininni: YES; Mr. Miller: YES

VII. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

1. COMMENTS FROM TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR ON SPRINGTON POINTE APPEAL

Mr. Green, Township Solicitor, gave a report on the Springton Pointe Appeal (Toll Brothers Appeal). The appeal period is 30 days, Wednesday the 17th would be the last day to appeal. Mr. Green did not recommend that Ferguson Township file an appeal. In general, the appeal process, for the Springton Pointe Appeal, will take about a year. Ferguson Township is a party to that appeal and will remain a party to it. The Township will file a brief which is estimated to be filed by November. No formal action is needed at this time.

Mr. Miller stated that at this time the Board could motion to file an appeal, if desired. No motion was made.

Ms. Dininni requested that the Solicitor provide case law to support his opinion that the Township is a party to the lawsuit no matter what action the Board does or doesn't take. Mr. Green stated that rule 908 is a very specific rule that states the Township would be and continue to be a party to the appeal.

Ms. Dininni motioned that the Solicitor provide the Board with case laws supporting the application of rule 908. Mr. Buckland seconded the motion. The motion failed 2 to 2.

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

1. RE-ZONING APPLICATION TEAM RAHAL OF LEWISTOWN LLC

On August 4th the Township received an application from Team Rahal of Lewistown, LLC to re-zone tax parcel 24-004-080, located at 3650 West College Avenue, from rural agricultural to general commercial. Mr. Stolinas stated this parcel comprises of 2.96 acres and is currently being used as a single family residence. The proposed use of the land is for a car dealership which will be developed on an immediately adjacent parcel 24-044-079A, located at 3610 West College Avenue consisting of 4.05 acres. This property is within the regional growth boundary and sewer service area. Staff included a copy of the growth boundary and sewer service area mapping that encompassed the property.

Mr. Ferris, CEO of Bobby Rahal Automotive Group, stated that the land was purchased to build an automobile dealership. After a conversation with the next door neighbor, the neighbors offered to sell their property to Bobby Rahal Automotive Group for their dealership.

Ms. Whitaker inquired about homes that may be nearby. Mr. Ferris stated that there is one home and that they might be selling their property to the car dealership as well.

Ms. Whitaker moved that the Board of Supervisors refer the application for re-zoning of property located at 3650 West College Avenue to the Planning Commission for further review and recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. Ms. Dininni seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2. CONTINUED DISCUSSION OF WHITEHALL ROAD REGIONAL PARK POLICY QUESTIONS

On Monday August 1st the Board of Supervisors began discussions of the policy questions referred to the five participating municipalities in the Centre Region Parks and Recreation Authority. The policy questions relate to the development of the Whitehall Road Regional Park. As background information the agenda included an attachment of the feasibility study completed by Stahl Sheaffer relative to access options as well as a link to the chronology of events related to the Whitehall Road Regional Park.

Mr. Kunkle summarized a letter received from COG Solicitor Attorney Tarry Williams from Miller, Kistler & Campbell, on August 15, 2016. In essence, the Authority has an equitable ownership of the property and is able to carry out the master plan that has already been approved by the General Forum. The General Forum through action of each of the individual municipalities has guaranteed a loan for use by the authority and completing a phase of the Master Plan. The questions referred by the General Forum to the participating municipalities would provide insight of the participating municipalities perspective on how the park should be developed or if it

should be developed. However, what is actually done is really up to the Centre Region Parks and Recreation.

Ms. Dininni pointed out that the municipalities have a right to step out of the agreement at any time. Mr. Kunkle replied that under the Parks and Recreation and Articles of Agreement there's a one-year notification if the municipality does not want to participate in the Parks and Recreation Program. However, any debt incurred while the municipality is still a member will continue to be the obligation of the municipality even after they leave the Authority.

The following six questions were referred by the General Forum to the participating municipalities for response by September 5th. (Questions 3, 4 and 6 were answered at the August 1st Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting and are included in bold below.)

- 1) Does Ferguson Township still support the construction of a regional park at Whitehall Road (to be answered only by Ferguson Township)?

With two Board members responding yes and two responding no to the question, the Board concluded that they are unable to answer this question at the time.

Ms. Dininni asked if the roads are moved from what is currently on the master plan if that would require a new master plan? Mr. Kunkle replied that the master plan anticipates access to the park via an extension of Blue Course Drive and it does not anticipate an alternate main access.

- 2) Does the governing Board/Council desire to move forward with the planned Whitehall Road Regional Park? If no, please note why. If yes, please continue...

The Board combined question 2 with question 1.

- 3) Should the construction of Whitehall Road Regional Park be postponed until the Regional Parks Comprehensive Plan is complete (probably in late 2018)? If yes, please note why. If no, please continue...
 - o **No – there is not a desire to wait until the completion of the regional parks comprehensive plan to develop the Whitehall Road Regional Park; however, there was a suggestion offered by Peter that there be some data collected prior to moving forward on the development of the park**
- 4) Are there “show stoppers” that would prevent the construction of Whitehall Road Regional Park from moving forward? If so, please list them.
 - o **If we didn't have emergency access, that is a showstopper**
 - o **If the Borough Water Authority stated that there is a significant risk to the wellhead recharge area**
 - o **We need to identify some data (via market analysis and a community survey) to support the development of the amenities that are identified on the master plan**
 - o On August 15th the Board unanimously agreed to add using artificial crumb rubber turf as a showstopper.

Ms. Dininni showed concern about the parks proper road development and economic development being pinned to the development of the adjacent parcel.

- 5) Does the approved Whitehall Road Regional Park master site plan offer the park amenities that we want? If no, please discuss/note why.

Mr. Buckland showed concern for the crumb rubber turf, in regards to human health and environmental (primarily aquatic) impacts. He suggested that there are much safer turf management practices that are also cost affective. The Board agreed to add this concern as a showstopper.

Ms. Dininni showed concern about not having enough information to answer the question. The Board agreed that they do not have enough information to answer the question. They would like to know what phase 1 and phase 2 include and the timeframes for both phases.

- 6) Are the municipalities willing to modify the approved master plan and/or the phasing schedule for Whitehall Road Regional Park?

- o **Yes**

Public input:

Mr. Vidic, representing Centre Soccer, showed their desire and need for artificial turf and lights. Not only do adults wear grass fields out, but the turf also would extend the season.

Ms. Hoover stated she is in favor for more fields. She suggested adding on, upgrading or building new fields in other locations. She showed concern about residents potentially paying for tournaments.

Mr. Liechty, professional statistician, stated that he took a look at the 2008 survey. He believes it to be a little outdated, but that the data would likely be similar if the survey were conducted today. He also stated another way to assess demand, other than by a survey, is by an observation study. For example, looking at the wear and tear and how much something is used. He also discussed the value of having turf fields in this park.

Mr. Mckinnon stated he is opposed to this park in this location but not opposed to the park, itself. He showed concern about it being a sports complex instead of a community park and for the safety of the water. He suggested a new study should be done to determine what the community needs. He raised the question as to whether the park was dependent on Toll Brothers building the road.

Mr. Lovicky, representing State College Warriors Lacrosse, showed support for the park being built. Currently, they use the existing parks and still need to travel elsewhere. He stated that they are out growing and tapping out on the existing parks.

Ms. VanMeter, stated economic development is important but raised the question as to why this park in this particular location. She showed concern for the artificial turf. She suggested that it stop being called a park and for it to be called a sports complex instead.

Mr. Rick Pagett suggested that the Board reach out to PSU as far as the hazards of using the crumb rubber turf fields. PSU has two leading programs in the country for turf grass research and artificial turf.

Mr. Rizzo stated that EPA is completing a crumb rubber study and will be publishing it in 2016. He recommended that the Board take a look at that study when completed. He shared the struggle he has with two kids practicing on the opposite ends of the Township. He suggested that the utilities be added to Phase II of the plan and not to worry about it in Phase I.

Ms. Dininni moved that the Board of Supervisors allow the Township Manager to compile the answers and forward them to COG. Mr. Buckland seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Dininni showed concern for lights being available at the parks from March- June and August-November, as per concern from public comment. In terms of constituent needs she suggested that they be a show stopper. Mr. Miller suggested that it be brought up down the road and not be added as a show stopper. The Board agreed.

3. REVIEW OF 2017 COG PROGRAM PLAN AND 2017-2021 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM BUDGET

On Monday July 25th the COG General Forum referred the 2017 COG Program Plan and 2017-2021 Capital Improvement Program Budget to the participating municipalities for review and comment by August 18th. Links to each of the documents was provided. Township staff provided review comments for the Boards consideration. The following answers/comments were given by the Board:

- The Finance Committee's 2017 budget review sessions should be cablecast on C-NET.
- The 1974 Articles of Agreement for the Centre Region Parks and Recreation should be updated.
- \$5,000 should be budgeted to pay an intern to assist the Emergency Management Coordinator with identifying residents who may need special assistance during a declared emergency.
- Note: *"During late 2016/ early 2017, The Centre Region Emergency Management Council will discuss the idea of installing an emergency power generator at the COG Building"* Mr. Buckland suggested that a battery storage unit be looked into.
- Ms. Dininni inquired about automating doors at COG. Mr. Viglione replied that, the project has been delayed.

- \$7,000 should be budgeted to revise the job descriptions and organizational chart of the New Construction Program Staff, and if those changes are approved by the General Forum, then to conduct a compensation survey for the updated position descriptions.
- \$3,000 should be budgeted to revise the job descriptions and organizational chart of Existing Structures Program Staff, and if those changes are approved by the General Forum, then to conduct a compensation survey for the updated position descriptions.
- \$20,000 should be budgeted to purchase and install a commercial kitchen in the new fire safety trailer that would enable food service employees to have training on extinguishing fires that may occur in public food preparation areas, IF there is a demand for it and a fee is collected. Ms. Dininni inquired as to where the \$20,000 would come from. Mr. Viglione replied that Code Administration is funded by permit fees. The Board suggested that Codes consider a special assessment to cover the installation of the kitchen that would be applied to those who would use it.
- \$10,000 should be budgeted to purchase an additional and more up-to-date fire extinguisher trainer to help Code Agency Staff train a large number of individuals on how to use a fire extinguisher.
- Mr. Buckland pointed out that products should be used until they are needed to be updated. The Board concluded \$33,000 should be appropriated to purchase 19 printers, 5 Microsoft Surface Pro tablets, and code book software relating to the further implementation of the Tyler Software Program as it relates to enhancement of customer service and expanding the electronic recording and tracking of data, only if a follow up study was done verifying that they are needed. Staff and the Board suggested that the Codes Office should ensure that the equipment is compatible with the software before purchasing, and that this purchase should be contingent on the implementation of the self-service component of the Tyler Software.
- The multi-year effort to bring the starting wages for the part-time Library Assistants closer to the published COG Salary schedule should continue during 2017.
- The part-time (20 hours per week) IT Technician position for Schlow Centre Region Library should be either increased in the number of hours worked or be reclassified to fulltime status. Mr. Viglione stated that the request is now to only increase the number of hours and not to reclassify to a fulltime status, due to trying to stay within the requested budget. Ms. Dininni asked why, if the position is needed full-time, would it be excluded from the budget request. The Board recommended to put it in the budget for discussion for a full time status so that the COG can discuss at the appropriate time.
- The marketing budget should be increased by \$15,000 to expand the library's online, print, and social media presence.
- The model for Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Services should be changed from a contracted agreement with Penn State University to an in-house model with a full-time COG employee.

- An existing Senior Planner position should be reclassified to a Principal Land Use Planner position beginning January 1, 2017. Mr. Miller inquired as to whether this would be a promotion or a reclassification. Mr. Viglione replied that it's a reclassification with some managerial responsibilities.
- Funds should be budgeted for the development of a Comprehensive Regional Parks and Recreation Plan.
- An additional \$8,000 in municipal funds should be allocated to complete work on the fundraising study that is underway to identify how to generate community contributions for regional parks, the Active Adult Center (aka Senior Center), and the Millbrook Marsh Nature Center. Ms. Dininni suggested that this cost should be taken out of the R budget instead of the C budget.
- A part-time year-round Staff Assistant should be hired to work the Active Adult Center welcome desk, at an estimated cost to COG of \$7,500.
- An inflatable obstacle course for the Park Forest Pool should be purchased to enhance the recreational experiences for the patrons and increase pool usage. Ms. Dininni showed concern about the admission fees covering the cost of the inflatable obstacle course. She pointed out if that money is going towards the obstacle then it isn't being put towards whatever it is currently being used for. Mr. Viglione pointed out that since 2011 Park Forest and Welch Pool have been self-sustaining. An inflatable obstacle course would draw more people, therefore more admission fees. Ms. Dininni requested to see where the admission fees go at the current time. Mr. Miller replied that the fees currently pay for the operating cost and the additional is covering part of the Capital.
- The concept of providing municipal contributions to Millbrook Marsh Nature Center Capital Budget should be discussed by the Finance Committee during 2017 in order to assure that capital items are maintained and operational.
- Ms. Dininni suggested that Phase II development of Hess Softball Complex and Oak Hall Regional Park should be done before Phase I development of Whitehall. Mr. Miller stated he personally is in favor of the Phase II development but other municipalities may not.

Mr. Viglione gave an overview of the 2017-2021 Capital Improvement Program Budget. Ms. Dininni showed concern of a blurring between the C budget and R budget. She stated that in her opinion, if equipment is used both by COG Parks and Regional Parks the costs should be taken out of both the C and R budget, instead of just one.

4. TURNBERRY TTD, PHASE 1 RUSHCLIFFE ONLY SURETY REDUCTION NO. 2

Ms. Dininni stated that there are issues with Rushcliffe in regards to visibility and ability to turn. She inquired as to whether the intersections (Rushcliffe/Circleville and Havershire/Circleville) have been looked at and if it has been determined that they are built to specifications. Mr. Modricker stated that the roads were built and inspected by the Township Engineer. All of the items where surety has been released have been inspected and approved for reduction. The

Township Engineer will check the sight distance at those two intersections to be sure there are no issues.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. July 2016 Treasurer's Report
- b. Turnberry TTD, Phase 1 Surety Reduction No. 15
- c. Turnberry TTD, Phase 2A Surety Reduction No. 5
- d. Turnberry TTD, Phase 1 Rushcliffe Only Surety Reduction No. 2
- e. 2014 – C4 Cecil Irvin Park Payment
- f. Time Extension for Hunters Chase Phase 6

Ms. Dininni moved to approve the consent agenda. Ms. Whitaker seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

6. APPROVAL OF JULY 2016 VOUCHER REPORT

Ms. Dininni moved that the Board of Supervisors approve the July 2016 voucher list. Mr. Buckland seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

IX. REPORTS

1. Manager

Mr. Kunkle stated on Wednesday August 10th the Township staff and consultant Peter Marshall and Associates completed the third evening meeting to receive community feedback on questions related to the update of the 2014 Strategic Plan. In addition, an on line survey along with returned written responses to the community focus group questions will help form the summary report being prepared by the consultant. Mr. Kunkle reminded the Board that they had received by email the Pennsylvania Municipal League Annual Summit registration information. This annual conference is being held in Lancaster from October 4-6.

Ms. Dininni asked for clarification on the public being able to attend the Worksession and give input. Mr. Kunkle replied that it is the purview of the Chair. Typically, Worksession's start with public input in the beginning and then move to the discussion between Board members where no public input is taken.

2. Public Works Director

Mr. Modricker's Public Works Report summarized; Oak Wilt Mitigation, MS4, West College Ave Streetscape, Contract 2015-C1 Piney Ridge Paving and Roadside Drainage Improvement Project (excludes Kansa Ave), Kansa Ave Improvement Project, Contract 2015-C6 Science Park and Sandy Lane Intersection Improvement Study, Contract 2016-C1 Paving Project (Blue Course, Sleepy Hollow, Cherry Lane), Contract 2016-C2 Paving Project (Science Park Court, Conover, Kennelworth, Ash, Myrtle), Contract 2016-C9 Microsurfacing, Contract 2016-C10 Sealcoating Bikepaths and Parking Lots and a traffic signal study on Science Park Road at Sandy Drive. The maintenance section's planned activities for the two weeks include shoulder backup and repairs on Science Park Court, capital project shoulder work and restoration, roadside mowing, miscellaneous road repairs and work orders. Mr. Modricker announced that the next Tree Commission meeting will be held on August 22nd.

The traffic signal study on Science Park Road at Sandy Drive was requested to be put on the next agenda by Mr. Miller.

3. Planning & Zoning Director

Mr. Stolin's Planning & Zoning report reviewed the following; a meeting with Environmental Planning, Zoning and Saldo Revisions with EPD, LLC, Rezoning Application Team Rahal of

Lewistown LLC, Sourcewater Protection Work Group, the Permit Activity Report and the Active Plans in the Township. The active plans in the Township included; Subdivision of Lands of Joseph D. Dionisio & Lois A. Dionisio, Specific Implementation Plan – The Crossings at State College, Dunkin' Donuts/Weis Gas-N-Go Land Development Plan, CSC Northland/Proposed Commercial Development – Buffalo Wild Wings/Corner of North Atherton and Blue Course Drive, Bowman Subdivision/486 Circleville Road, The Cottages at State College Final PRD/Whitehall Road and Blue Course Drive, Whitehall Road Regional Park and Foxpointe PRD Section 1D – Hunter's Chase Phase 6.

4. Chief of Police

Chief Conrad reported that for the month of July all of the crime calls, other calls for service and total calls are slightly under last years for the month and year to date totals. The Arts Festival activity was lighter than past years. The first of the Town Hall public meetings on the Opioid Epidemic was held on July 26th. The theme was identifying the problem. Over 250 people attended. The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for September 14th and will focus on treatment & recovery. All first responders (police, fire, ambulance) began being dispatched to calls via the County's new Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) system. The changeover from the previous system went smoothly.

5. COG Committee Reports

a. Public Services & Environmental Committee

Mr. Buckland stated the Public Services & Environmental Committee meet on August 4th. He stated three topics were discussed. Those topics being; the Sewage Management Program, Organics Recycling with an update from Pam Adams and the kick off of the Organics Drop-Off Recycling Pilot for COG employees, themselves. Mr. Buckland reported that an extensive conversation was had on the sewage management program. It was brought up that some individuals are having trouble paying to get their sewage pumped. It was discussed whether or not there should be some sort of financial aid to assist these individuals.

X. MINUTES

1. August 1, 2016 Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting

Ms. Whitaker moved that the August 1, 2016 minutes be approved. Ms. Dininni seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Buckland made a motion to ADJOURN the meeting. Ms. Dininni seconded the motion. With no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, Mr. Miller adjourned the regular meeting at 11:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Mark Kunkle, Township Manager
For the Board of Supervisors

Date approved by the Board: 09/06/2016