

**ATTENDANCE:**

BOARD	Elliot Abrams, Chair Bryce Boyer, Vice-Chair Jeff Luck, Supervisor Josh Troxell, Supervisor Walt Wise, Supervisor
STAFF	Doug Erickson, Township Manager Brent Brubaker, Township Engineer Pat Hubert, Assistant Township Engineer John Petrick, Chief of Police Betsy Dupuis, Solicitor Joe Price, Senior Planner
ABSENT	Kim Wyatt, Finance Director
AUDIENCE	CNET Volunteers Justin Swinehart, Walmart Jeff Hermann, Planning Commission Kimberly Fragola, CATA Judi Minor, CATA Jim May, CRPA

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The May 11, 2011 Patton Township Board of Supervisors meeting held at the Township Municipal Building was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mr. Abrams, Chair.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mr. Boyer moved to approve the minutes of the April 13, 2011 meeting. Seconded by Mr. Troxell, the motion passed 5-0.

**3. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No comments were offered.

**4. PUBLIC SAFETY**

**a. Police Update**

Chief Petrick stated that in April that the Part II crimes were up, including driving under the influence arrests. The department participated in Operation Lights Out with 58 warrants issued and 2 driving under the influence arrests.

**b. Buckle Up PA Campaign and Agreement**

Chief Petrick stated that Patton Township is eligible for reimbursement for enforcement, public awareness and educational activities under the "Buckle Up PA Seat Belt Enforcement and Education" Project. The project is scheduled to begin in late May.

Mr. Luck moved to approve the attached Conditions of Agreement and authorize the Chair to sign the required documents. Seconded by Mr. Troxell, the motion passed 5-0.

**4. PUBLIC SAFETY (cont'd)**

**c. COPS Hiring Program Grant Application**

Chief Petrick informed the Board that he is starting a hiring campaign due to the fact that one or two officers could retire in the next 12 months. He stated that this time the department is looking for candidates that are already certified and have already graduated from a municipal police academy.

Mr. Erickson recommended applying to the U.S. Department of Justice for funding for the currently vacant police officer position under the subject program. He stated that the program would fund the salary and benefits for an entry-level patrolman for 36 months (starting at approximately \$73,000 per year for a first year officer).

Mr. Boyer moved to apply for funding with U.S. Department of Justice for the current vacant police officer position. Seconded by Mr. Troxell, the motion passed 5-0.

**5. PUBLIC WORKS**

**a. Project Update**

Mr. Erickson stated at the Community Gardens water line is in and the fence will be installed May 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>. He also stated that there are still plots available.

Mr. Erickson stated that the Bernel Road Park is out to bid with the pre-bid meeting on May 24<sup>th</sup> at 9am, opening bids on June 3<sup>rd</sup> and bringing bid results to the June 15<sup>th</sup> meeting to award bid with hopes of finishing this project before the construction season is over.

**b. Spring Road Report**

Mr. Hubert stated that in the Spring 2011 Road Report there are recommendations for the 2011 road maintenance program. Major items scheduled for 2011 include:

<b>STREET</b>	<b>FROM</b>	<b>TO</b>	<b>RATING</b>	<b>LENGTH</b>	<b>TYPE OF WORK</b>
Carrogin Drive	Circleville Rd.	Circleville Rd.	39	3,250	Overlay
Carnegie Drive	Valley Vista Dr.	Ghaner Dr.	38	970	Overlay
North Barkway Ln.	Cricklewood Dr.	End	29	286	Overlay
Coventry Lane	Woodledge Dr.	End	34	716	Overlay
Woodycrest Street	Clearview Ave	90° Bend	45	840	Overlay
Windfield Ct.			31	110	Cul-De-Sac Repair

Total Length (ft)                      5,110

Mr. Troxell moved to approve the recommended improvements and authorize bidding for the scheduled roadwork. Seconded by Mr. Boyer, the motion passed 5-0.

**6. PLANNING & ZONING**

**a. Planning Commission Report**

Mr. Hermann informed the Board that at the meeting there were two temporary use permits and that Mr. Price is working on the wind energy ordinance.

**7. ADMINISTRATION**

**a. Centre Area Transportation Authority (CATA) Budget**

Mr. Erickson stated that at the meeting on April 25, the Centre Region Council of Governments (COG) General Forum received the proposed 2011/2012 CATA Budget and referred it to the participating municipalities for review and comment. Municipal comments are requested by May 16 for consideration by the COG Finance Committee. Final adoption of the CATA budget is scheduled for the June Board meeting.

To view the CATA budget online [CLICK HERE](#) or go to <http://www.catabus.com/AboutCATA/Budget/index.html>.

The CATA budget totals, total municipal contributions, and the Patton Township shares of the proposed budget are as follows:

<b>Operating Budget</b>	<u>2010/2011 Estimated Receipts</u>	<u>2011/2012 Anticipated Receipts</u>
Total CATA Operating	\$12,089,010	\$12,291,560
Total Municipal Contributions	\$ 440,784	\$ 462,823
Patton Township Contribution	\$ 70,373	\$ 67,868
 <b>Capital Budget</b>		
Total CATA Capital	\$ 9,402,500	\$ 6,609,000
Total Municipal Contributions	\$ 62,400	\$ 62,400
Patton Township Contribution	\$ 9,962	\$ 9,150

The Board had no comments to offer on the CATA budget.

**b. CATA Exterior Advertisements**

Mr. Erickson stated that CATA has proposed a pilot project to experiment with exterior advertisements on buses and that the initial proposal is to limit the ad space to the backs of the buses with only selling the space for a one-year period and CATA recognizes that this is a sensitive issue and asked for input from the local funding partners prior to making any final commitments to this program.

Mr. Abrams stated that it seems like a good source of revenue and the ads should meet the "community standards" established by CATA. Mr. Luck stated that his biggest concern is that additional funds generated by the advertising should be used to enhance CATA services and not be used to supplant existed core funding streams

**7. ADMINISTRATION (cont'd)**

**c. Draft Centre Region Economic Development Assessment**

Mr. May informed the Board that in April 2010, the COG General Forum authorized the release of a Request for Proposals to prepare an Economic Development Assessment for the Centre Region. After a competitive selection process, BBP LLC & Associates was selected to conduct the Assessment. Work was initiated in August 2010.

The Economic Development Assessment contains short-term, mid-term, and long-term recommendations to:

- Identify ways to strengthen the working relationship between the COG, Centre Region municipalities, Centre County, Penn State, the Chamber of Business & Industry Centre County (CBICC) and the Centre County Industrial Development Corporation (CCIDC.)
- Identify business clusters that could provide sustainable jobs over the next 30 years including those that could use University Area Joint Authority beneficial reuse water.
- Encourage the reuse, revitalization, and redevelopment of underutilized properties in the region.

Several iterations of the Assessment have been presented to both the Transportation & Land Use (TLU) Committee and Centre Regional Planning Commission for review. Other stakeholders were included in the review process including the municipal managers, CBICC, CCIDC, and the Centre County Planning and Community Development Office.

The General Forum, as recommended by the TLU Committee, has referred the Draft Economic Development Assessment to the individual municipalities for review and comments are to be returned to the COG Executive Director by May 20, 2011 for distribution to the TLU Committee."

To view the Draft Economic Development Assessment [click here](#) or go to: <http://www.crcog.net/vertical/Sites/%7B6AD7E2DC-ECE4-41CD-B8E1-BAC6A6336348%7D/uploads/%7B75F13E44-A603-4172-9361-BE80EA9B1206%7D.PDF>

Mr. Luck asked that COG staff provide periodic updates to municipal officials regarding the status of the implementation of the recommendations.

**d. Analysis Of Business Networks In Centre County**

At the April 25 meeting of the COG General Forum, Mr. Ted McDowell, Chairman of the Centre County Industrial Development Corporation (CCIDC), presented a proposal for a study to be conducted by the Penn State Workforce Education and Development Initiative (WED Initiative).

**7. ADMINISTRATION (cont'd)**

**d. Analysis Of Business Networks In Centre County (cont'd)**

The Agenda for the COG meeting provided the following information:

“The purpose of this project is to analyze and describe how relationships among organizations and people influence and support business development activities in Centre County. The structure of these networks remains largely unknown. Information about connections that facilitate business development can provide a basis for improving economic prosperity in the County. The intended outcomes of the proposal support recommendations in the Draft Centre Region Economic Development Assessment identifying relationships between government and others to encourage economic prosperity in the region.”

“A network in the context of this effort considers the flow of information: who shares information from whom, and if they are communicating with other people. These networks form the relationships that help businesses, community organizations, governments, entrepreneurs and universities to recognize, create, or act upon business opportunities. The WED Initiative proposes to uncover networks that support business development in Centre County. The value of this effort is discovering who is central to communication and who has contact with organizations that should be involved, but are under-represented or not connected to the network.”

“The WED Initiative will draft a non-technical written report of the findings of the networking analysis and a presentation that summarizes the report’s findings that can be used by the WED Initiative and the CCIDC for oral presentations.”

“The Executive Committee discussed this request during its April 19th meeting. Prior to making a recommendation to the General Forum on whether COG should fund this request, the Committee believed it is important to determine whether the Centre Region municipalities support COG funding the project. The estimated study cost is \$20,000 and COG has been asked to contribute all or part of the \$5,000 request. Should funding be approved, the contribution could be paid from either the COG Contingency Fund or the CRCA unanticipated fund balance.”

The General Forum has referred the request to fund a study to the individual municipalities for review, and comments are to be returned to the COG Executive Director by 12:00 Noon, May 17, 2011 for distribution to the Executive Committee.

Following discussion amongst the Board members and input from Jim May, the Board voted 5-0 to recommend that COG contribute \$2,500 towards the study, with the funds to be expended from the Contingency Fund.

**8. CONSENT AGENDA**

The items included below are routine in nature and it is not anticipated that any will generate discussion or questions. The actual Consent Agenda with a brief description of each item is included with the agenda packet materials distributed to the Board and will also be available to the public at the sign-in table. At the request of a Board member any single item or all items on the Consent Agenda can be discussed and voted on separately.

8. **CONSENT AGENDA (cont'd)**

If no items are "pulled," the Board should consider a motion for "approval of the Consent Agenda items as shown on the agenda."

a. **Public Works**

1) **Line Painting Contract**

Ferguson Township has solicited and received bids for the cooperative line-painting program. The Township Engineer's recommendation is included on the enclosed memo.

***It is recommended that the Board accept the bid price of \$9,955.30 for the Patton Township share of the project and agree to the joint contract with Alpha Space Control of Chambersburg, PA for line painting through Ferguson Township.***

b. **Planning & Zoning**

1) **Temporary Use Permits**

i. **Wal-Mart Storage Containers**

The Wal-Mart store (#1640) at 1665 North Atherton Place (C-2 District) is requesting a temporary use permit to erect storage containers on the left side of the building in the dirt area behind lawn and garden. The containers will be on site from July 11, 2011 to September 29, 2011. They are asking for permission to put containers in these areas with a mesh fence around them.

The agenda packet includes a location map and materials submitted by Wal-Mart. Little impact on the site's traffic circulation and parking is expected. Similar outdoor storage containers have been permitted and used on-site in the past.

The Planning Commission recommends approval of this permit with the condition that the use of the containers be noted on the permit application.

***It is recommended that the Board approve a Temporary Use Permit for storage containers at Wal-Mart #1640 with the conditions as noted.***

8. **CONSENT AGENDA (cont'd)**

b. **Planning & Zoning (cont'd)**

1) **Temporary Use Permits (cont'd)**

ii. **Wal-Mart Bulk Merchandise Tent**

The Wal-Mart store (#1640) at 1665 North Atherton Place (C-2 District) is requesting a temporary use permit to sell large bulk merchandise outdoors as university students return to town for the fall semester. The location of the proposed tent would be on the big sidewalk area to the left of the general merchandise entrance (when looking at the store, this is the entrance on the left) of the store. This location is shown in the picture provided to be at 54 ft. wide and approximately 55ft. in length, leaving an approximately 12 ft. opening at each fire exit on the three sides of the building. The tent is 30 ft. by 40 ft. It will be used to sell large bulk merchandise during the back to college season. The entrance and exit to the tent will be from the front only.

The agenda packet includes a location map and materials submitted by Wal-Mart. A similar event, with the tent in the same position, has been held at Wal-Mart for several years now with no known problems.

The Planning Commission recommends approval of this permit

***It is recommended that the Board approve a Temporary Use Permit for a Bulk Merchandise Tent at Wal-Mart #1640.***

b. **Planning & Zoning (cont'd)**

1) **Temporary Use Permits (cont'd)**

iii. **Trinity Lutheran Church Special Events**

The Trinity Lutheran Church of 2221 North Oak Lane is requesting a Temporary Use Permit to place and operate a temporary barbeque pit on site during the following three separate occasions:

- Saturday, May 7, 2011: Annual Yard Sale
- Monday, June 6: Congregational Dinner
- Friday, June 17: Wedding Rehearsal Dinner
- Saturday, September 17: Patton Township Business Association's (PTBA) Safety Fair.

The proposal is/was to construct the pit during the week of April 25 through April 30, but no later than April 30<sup>th</sup>. The structure is to be assembled out of cinder blocks and will measure no larger than four (4) feet by ten (10) feet.

The applicant proposes to locate the pit in such a way as to not interfere with or in any way affect parking or traffic flow and so that it will be a safe distance away from any buildings.

8. CONSENT AGENDA (cont'd)

b. Planning & Zoning (cont'd)

1) Temporary Use Permits (cont'd)

iii. **Trinity Lutheran Church Special Events (cont'd)**

This evening's agenda packet includes a cover letter from Rev. Ronald Miller, Jr., Lead Pastor of the Trinity Lutheran Church and a map of the property. This request is similar to previous requests of the church which have been approved.

The Planning Commission recommends approval of this permit.

***It is recommended that the Board approve a Temporary Use Permit for Trinity Lutheran Church Special Events as noted above.***

iv. **Kish Bank Family Fun Day Tent**

Kish Bank has requested a temporary use permit to construct a 20' by 60' tent for a Family Fun Day celebration on June 11, 2011. The tent will be constructed at the Kish Bank facility located at 2610 Green Tech Drive. The tent will be located in the front parking lot facing home depot on Friday, June 10 and taken down following the event on June 11, 2011. The event will be held on a Saturday and the majority of the building will be closed for business.

The agenda packet includes a memo from Kish Bank describing the temporary use permit from the Valley Vista Development Company, and a sketch plan showing the tent location with ingress and egress.



8. **CONSENT AGENDA (cont'd)**

b. **Planning & Zoning (cont'd)**

1) **Temporary Use Permits (cont'd)**

iv. **Kish Bank Family Fun Day Tent (cont'd)**

The Planning Commission recommends approval of this permit.

*It is recommended that the Board approve a Temporary Use Permit for Trinity Lutheran Church Special Events as noted above.*

c. **Administration**

1) **Voucher Report**

A copy of the April 2011 Voucher Report is enclosed. Board members having questions should contact the Township office prior to the meeting so the necessary information can be obtained.

*It is recommended that the Board approve the April 2011 Voucher Report.*

Mr. Troxell moved to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Mr. Luck, the motion passed 5-0.

9. **MANAGER'S REPORT**

Mr. Erickson stated that he and Mr. Brubaker met with PennDOT this morning about the Waddle Road interchange and that a project manager was assigned. He also wanted to remind residents that bulk waste pick up starts May 16<sup>th</sup>. He also informed the Board that PennDOT issued their maintenance projects that will start in July 2011. Projects in Patton Township include milling and overlay on Fox Hollow Road and North Atherton Street (Old 322) from Skytop to Grays Woods.

10. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Mr. Boyer stated that Public Services met and there was a presentation about beneficial reuse water.

Mr. Boyer stated that Public Safety met this morning and received a report from Centre Life Link that they are looking as being designated as the primary provider for municipalities. He stated it was discussed that Code is looking to move forward with requesting a local option for the requirement of sprinklers in new home construction and that Steve Bair did a presentation that is available on C-NET as to the importance of sprinklers.

Mr. Troxell stated that Human Resources Committee met last Tuesday to work on job descriptions.

11. **OTHER BUSINESS**

Mr. Wise asked if someone could go to Finance Committee on Monday at 8:30am to fill in for him. Mr. Luck stated that he was available to go.

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, by Mr. Luck's motion and Mr. Troxell's second, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm.

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Douglas J. Erickson, Township Secretary