

ATTENDANCE:

BOARD	Elliot Abrams, Chair Bryce Boyer, Vice-Chair Josh Troxell, Supervisor Walt Wise, Supervisor
STAFF	Doug Erickson, Township Manager Kim Wyatt, Finance Director Brent Brubaker, Township Engineer John Petrick, Chief of Police Betsy Dupuis, Solicitor Joe Price, Senior Planner
ABSENT	Jeff Luck, Supervisor
AUDIENCE	CNET 3 Volunteers Daniel Crust, Resident Jim Steff, COG Ron Woodhead, COG Mark Torretti, Penn Terra Steve Augustine, Sheetz Jessica Vanderkolk, CDT

1. CALL TO ORDER

The November 2, 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. Wise moved to approve the minutes of the October 12, 2011 meeting. Seconded by Mr. Troxell, the motion passed 4-0.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Crust stated that he already spoke with Township Engineer in regards to flooding on his property due to the flow of water from Bernel Road Park. Mr. Erickson stated that he will have Mr. Brubaker speak to Ms. Wheeler to follow up on this issue.

4. PUBLIC HEARING: PROPOSED ZONING REGULATIONS FOR THE USE OF PERMEABLE PAVERS AS PERVIOUS SURFACE IN THE C-1 (GENERAL COMMERCIAL) DISTRICT

Mr. Abrams stated that in September the Board received a recommendation from the Planning Commission on regulations proposing to amend the C1 district regulations to allow permeable pavers to be calculated as pervious surface when calculating the total impervious area of a site.

The proposed ordinance has been prepared pursuant to a request from Sheetz, Inc. who is contemplating redeveloping the site at the corner of Woodycrest St. and N. Atherton St., including a new building and new fueling facilities. Their current concept would not be permitted under existing regulations as the maximum impervious area would be slightly exceeded.

4. **PUBLIC HEARING: PROPOSED ZONING REGULATIONS FOR THE USE OF PERMEABLE PAVERS AS PERVIOUS SURFACE IN THE C-1 (GENERAL COMMERCIAL) DISTRICT (Cont'd)**

The following information was included with agenda materials:

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- Request letter from Sheetz
- Background letter from the Township Manager
- Summary of Recommended Maintenance and Repair (From PA Stormwater Best Management Practices Manual)
- Proposed Ordinance 2011-533
- Comments provided by the Centre Regional Planning Commission

a. **Public Hearing**

The Board of Supervisors convened the Proposed Zoning Regulations for the use of Permeable Pavers as Pervious Surface in the C-1 (General Commercial) District Public Hearing at 7:09 pm.

Mr. Torretti, PennTerra Engineering, stated Sheetz is looking at putting a 6300 sq ft store with 38 parking spaces and that he thinks this is the most feasible way to add the additional parking spaces.

Mr. Abrams stated that he wants to make sure that the water drains from under the pavers so there is no freezing and heaving in cold weather. Mr. Torretti explained that there is a thick open-graded gravel layer under the pavers along with underdrain pipes.

b. **Action Consideration**

On a motion from Mr. Boyer and seconded by Mr. Troxell, the Board of Supervisors closed the Public Hearing at 7:14 PM with a vote of 4-0.

Mr. Boyer moved to amend the C1 district regulations to allow permeable pavers to be calculated as pervious surface when calculating the total impervious area of a site, or identify revisions to be included before further consideration. Seconded by Mr. Wise, the motion passed 4-0.

5. **PUBLIC SAFETY**

a. **Police Update**

Chief Petrick stated that in September the annual Safety Fair was held and that several officers took driving under the influence training, two certified accident reconstructionist took training, and that Sergeant Albright did truck safety inspections. He stated that Part 2 crimes is higher due to 50% more DUI arrests and that in November the department is working on an aggressive driving campaign which resulted in 16 citations in a 4 hour period.

7. **ADMINISTRATION (these items were advanced from their original agenda location)**

a. **Council of Governments Budget Review**

Mr. Erickson stated that the Centre Region Council of Governments (COG) General Forum has forwarded the 2012 Summary Budget to the municipalities for review and comment.

Mr. Wise stated that it was decided that municipalities will provide contributions to the Regional Park program that will be used for project expenses and the planned borrowed amount will be reduced. Payments on the loan for the Region Parks will begin in March 2013. Mr. Troxell wanted to remind COG staff that personnel proposals go through prescribed process.

7. **ADMINISTRATION (these items were advanced from their original agenda location) (Cont'd)**

b. **Voucher Report**

Mr. Erickson stated that a copy of the October 2011 Voucher Report is included with the agenda materials.

Mr. Troxell moved to approve the October 2011 Voucher Report. Seconded by Mr. Boyer, the motion passed 4-0.

c. **Meeting Time for 2012 Organizational Meeting**

Mr. Erickson stated that C-Net is scrambling to cover all the municipal organizational meetings that must be held on Tuesday, January 3, 2012, and request that the Board considering rescheduling to another time. Their first preference would be to cover a meeting held at noon or 1pm. Their second preference would be to cover a meeting at 3 or 4 pm. A change in meeting time would need to be advertised, but the cost would be minimal.

The Board of Supervisors scheduled the Meeting Time for 2012 Organization Meeting for Tuesday, January 3, 2012 at 4:00 pm.

6. **PUBLIC WORKS**

a. **Bernel Road Park Update**

Mr. Erickson stated that the contractor has been working diligently but with the 20 inches of rain since July they have been delayed on some of the items. He stated that the playground is completed, that most of earthwork is done and that the paving is going to be delayed until spring. He stated that Ms. Wheeler is working on finalizing the agreement with Penn State on the walking paths. Mr. Abrams asked who is going to be the person handling the drainage issue noted by Mr. Crust. Mr. Erickson stated that Mr. Brubaker will be the point person in dealing with that issue.

b. **Borrowing for Waddle Road Interchange Improvement Project**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board of Supervisors meet in Executive Session to receive advice from the Manager, Finance Director and Solicitor regarding negotiating the loan terms for the financing package for this project. The Board reconvened the regular meeting.

Mr. Erickson stated that over the last two weeks the Township has received proposals from 20 engineering teams interested in taking on this project. The selection committee will begin work shortly on reviewing the proposals and coming up with a short list of firms to consider further.

The Finance Director has also solicited proposals from local and regional banks on providing a \$3,000,000 financing package to fund the engineering work on the project. Five banks have provided proposals.

6. **PUBLIC WORKS (Cont'd)**

b. **Borrowing for Waddle Road Interchange Improvement Project (Cont'd)**

The Finance Director reported on the best three proposals received:

- 10 year fixed at 3.13%, then variable rate (12 month Libor index) capped at 6% for 15 years (Kish Bank)
- 7 year fixed at 2.75%, then variable rate (12 month Libor index) capped at 6% for 18 years (Kish Bank)
- 5 year fixed at 2.75%, then variable rate (30 day Libor index) capped at 6% for 20 years (Fulton Bank)

Ms. Wyatt noted that the 10 year fixed option had the least risk in terms of potential maximum interest costs, but the other options may be better if interest rates stay low. Ms Wyatt continued and noted that if the terms are acceptable the Board would take action at the November 16, 2011 meeting on a borrowing ordinance.

Mr. Wise moved to approve borrowing for Waddle Road Interchange Improvement Project using the 10 year fixed option provided by Kish Bank, seconded by Mr. Boyer, the motion passed 4-0.

8. **MANAGER'S REPORT**

Mr. Erickson stated that he had nothing further to report.

9. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Mr. Boyer stated that Public Safety and Public Services had a joint meeting with utilities, PennDOT, Fire Police and EMS. He stated that Verizon and Comcast were both invited but did not come. He stated that there was a Public Services meeting today with discussion about the Halfmoon Township request for information on new technologies for on-lot sewage treatments and that staff will be making a recommendation.

Mr. Wise stated that Finance Committee met and discussed COG Budget. He stated that 911 did not come to the Public Services meeting also.

Mr. Troxell stated that Human Resource Committee met to discuss a pension amendment for employees hired after January 1st and changes in the disciplinary procedures. He stated that a job description change to the Commercial Fire Inspector position has been approved.

10. **OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no other business brought before the Board.

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, by Mr. Troxell's motion and Mr. Wise's second, the meeting was adjourned at 8:14 PM.

Douglas J. Erickson, Township Secretary