

FERGUSON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Regular Meeting Agenda
Tuesday, January 16, 2018
7:00 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. CITIZENS INPUT

III. SPECIAL REPORTS

University Area Joint Authority Demonstration Project; Greenbriar Development – Edward Crow
Centre County Purchase of Agricultural Conservation Easements Program – Sarah Walter

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

January 2, 2018, Board of Supervisors Reorganizational Meeting
January 2, 2018, Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Continued Discussion - Sourcewater Protection Overlay District Ordinance
2. Board of Supervisors Procedures Manual

VI. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consent Agenda
2. Discussion of Economic Development Initiatives in Ferguson Township
3. Ad Hoc Board on Rewrite of Zoning Subdivision ordinances
4. Axon Enterprise contract authorization
5. Appointment to Centre Regional Planning Commission
6. PA DEP Component 1 Sewage Facilities Planning Module – 160 Emory Lane

VII. REPORTS

1. COG Committee Reports
2. Other Regional Committees
3. Staff Reports

VIII. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

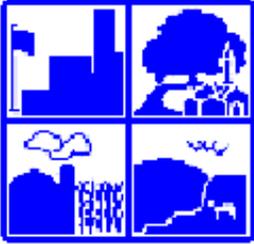
IX. CALENDAR ITEMS – JANUARY/FEBRUARY

Coffee and Conversation – Saturday, January 20th, 8:00 a.m., Baileyville Community Hall

X. ADJOURNMENT



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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. CITIZENS INPUT

III. SPECIAL REPORTS

1. UNIVERSITY AREA JOINT AUTHORITY DEMONSTRATION PROJECT; GREENBRIAR DEVELOPMENT – MR. EDWARD CROW

Narrative

On July 19, 2017, the University Area Joint Authority (UAJA) Board passed a motion authorizing the Greenbriar Development Nutrient Offset Demonstration Project. The Project would establish a process for the connection of on-lot septic systems to the UAJA sewer system using the Greenbriar development as a pilot. The Greenbriar neighborhood is within the Regional Growth Boundary and Sewer Service Area (SSA), and is one of a few developments within the SSA not connected to sewer. Mr. Edward Crow, resident of Greenbriar, has organized a series of neighborhood meetings for the purposes of educating residents and discussing the project. Mr. Crow will present on the current status of those discussions. It is feasible that the UAJA Board will request in the future that the Board of Supervisors adopt a resolution compelling residents of Greenbriar to connect to the sewer system.

2. CENTRE COUNTY PURCHASE OF AGRICULTURAL CONSERVATION EASEMENTS PROGRAM – SARAH WALTER, AG LAND PRESERVATION PROGRAM COORDINATOR

Narrative

During the 2018 Budget Worksessions, the Board requested a presentation on the Centre County Purchase of Agricultural Conservation Easements (PACE) Program from Sarah Walter, Senior Planner with the Centre County Office of Planning & Community Development. Ms. Walter has requested that the Township designate an amount to be used as a local match for federal and state grant funding to the PACE Program. The Township maintains a Special Fund for Agricultural Preservation and has contributed \$150 per acre to the PACE Program for Conservation Easements acquired in the Township. After hearing the presentation, the Board may direct staff to place the request as an action item on the next Regular Meeting agenda.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. January 2, 2018, Board of Supervisors Reorganizational Meeting
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V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. A CONTINUED DISCUSSION OF THE SOURCEWATER PROTECTION OVERLAY DISTRICT ORDINANCE 25 minutes

Narrative

At the January 2nd Regular Meeting, the Board began discussing how to proceed with the sourcewater protection overlay ordinance. Suggestions that were introduced and discussed included a) establishing an ad hoc advisory board consisting of the current members of the Sourcewater Protection Working Group with additional stakeholders represented, such as farmers; b) tasking that advisory board with receiving input from the community and responding to questions; and c) further exploring a regional taskforce on sourcewater protection. On the last point, Mr. Jim May, Director of the Centre Regional Planning Agency, has provided the attached agenda for a January 28th meeting of the Sourcewater Protection Agreement – Project Management Team, and the attached “Amended and Restated Sourcewater Protection Agreement.” Also provided with the agenda is a copy of the Township’s sourcewater protection overlay ordinance as presented for public hearing on December 11, 2017.

Two possible motions the Board may wish to consider are as follows:

Alternative 1 - “I move to establish an Ad Hoc Advisory Board that will be tasked with reviewing the current draft of the sourcewater protection overlay ordinance, suggesting specific revisions, and providing discussion points about the suggested revisions. The committee shall be comprised of one member of the Board of Supervisors, one member of the Planning Commission, one member of the sourcewater protection working group, two members from the farming community, two members from the business community, and two members to represent environmental interests. The ad hoc advisory board shall meet at least every two weeks and shall have two months from their initial meeting to complete its tasks.”

Alternative 2 – “I move to extend the public comment period for a further 60 days from this date to solicit public input on the proposed sourcewater protection overlay ordinance. During this time, staff and no less than two members of the sourcewater protection working group will hold two public educational and input sessions. These meetings will occur on evenings and outside of normal working hours. All comments will be collected by staff, collated, and responded to by members of the sourcewater protection working group within two weeks of the conclusion of the meetings. Responses will be made available to the public and provided to the Board. Following the process, the Board of Supervisors will determine whether to advertise the sourcewater protection overlay ordinance for public hearing.”

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Board **discuss** the Sourcewater Protection Overlay District Ordinance and **direct** staff to proceed.

2. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEDURES MANUAL 20 minutes

Narrative

The Board of Supervisors adopted its Procedures Manual at the Reorganizational Meeting on January 2nd. At the meeting, Board members requested that an item be added to this evening’s agenda to discuss possible amendments. Provided with the agenda is a copy of the adopted Procedures Manual. Any requested modifications may be presented to the Board for adoption by resolution at the next Regular Meeting.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Board *discuss* the Procedures Manual and amend as desired.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

1. CONSENT AGENDA

5 minutes

- a. December 2017 Voucher Report

2. DISCUSSION OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES IN FERGUSON TOWNSHIP

20 minutes

Narrative

On January 17, 2017, Ferguson Township adopted a resolution joining the Centre County Economic Development Partnership. The initiative of the Chamber of Business and Industry of Centre County is a collaboration of multiple municipalities and stakeholders with the goals of establishing a primary point of contact for economic development for the County and partnering with other agencies and stakeholders to attract, expand, and retain businesses. Provided with the agenda is a memorandum from Dave Pribulka, Township Manager briefly reviewing the history of Ferguson Township's relationship with the CBICC and economic development initiatives. Also provided with the agenda is a copy of the January 17, 2017, resolution.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Board *discuss* the Township's economic development strategy .

3. CONSIDERATION OF AN AD HOC BOARD TO REPRESENT THE FARMING COMMUNITY IN REVIEWING THE REWRITE OF THE ZONING AND SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCES

10 minutes

Narrative

At a previous meeting, the Board expressed interest in establishing an ad hoc committee of farmers for the purposes of reviewing the proposed revisions to the Township's zoning and subdivision and land development ordinances. The Township's Administrative Code allows ad hoc boards to be created by the Board of Supervisors for specific and temporary purposes. Conceivably, the task of this ad hoc committee would be to provide feedback and recommendations to the Rural Agricultural Zoning District in the Township's western end. If the Board desires to proceed, an application period would be open, and applicants would be presented to the Board at a future meeting for appointment.

Recommended motion: That the Board of Supervisors establish an ad hoc board to review and comment on proposed modifications to the Rural Agricultural Zoning District of the zoning ordinance and revisions to the subdivision and land development ordinance.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Board *identify* a method to engage the agricultural community in the zoning and subdivision and land development ordinance rewrite.

4. AUTHORIZATION OF CONTRACT WITH AXON ENTERPRISE, INC. FOR THE INSTALLATION OF BODY WORN CAMERAS, CAR CAMERAS, AND AN UPGRADE TO INTERVIEW EQUIPMENT FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

10 minutes

Narrative

With the passage of Act 22 of 2017, Senate Bill 560, the Police Department seeks to implement body and car cameras. Provided with the agenda is a quote and a five-year contract with Axon Enterprises, Inc. The scope of work includes the purchase (installation if applicable) of body cameras, car cameras, upgrades to the interview room system and data storage. The equipment and first year data storage costs are \$60,001. The annual fee for the remaining four years is \$12,772.68. The total cost of the contract is \$111,452.36. The proposed expenditure is below the \$117,000 allocated for the project. Axon Enterprise, Inc., is a COSTARS supplier.

Recommended motion: That the Board of Supervisors authorize the contract for \$111,452.36 with Axon Enterprise, Inc., for the installation of body worn cameras, car cameras, and an upgrade to interview equipment for the Police Department.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Board **authorize** the contract.

5. APPOINTMENT TO THE CENTRE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

5 minutes

Narrative

On Monday, January 8th, the Ferguson Township Planning Commission recommended appointment of Cristin Mitchell to the Centre Region Planning Commission and Ralph Wheland as the Township's alternate to the Centre Region Planning Commission. Appointments are made for a three-year term commencing January 1, 2018 and ending December 31, 2020.

Recommended motion: That the Board of Supervisors appoint Cristin Mitchell to the Centre Region Planning Commission and Ralph Wheland as the Township's alternate to the Centre Region Planning Commission for a term beginning January 1, 2018, and expiring December 31, 2020.

6. PA DEP COMPONENT 1 SEWAGE FACILITIES PLANNING MODULE – DREIBELBIS, 160 EMORY LANE

10 minutes

Narrative

Ray E. & Ray E. Dreibelbis Jr. own tax parcel 24-007-005 of 172.70 acres off of West Whitehall Road via Emory Lane. The owners are planning to construct a second single-family home, a water well along with a primary and alternative test sites for a newly proposed on-lot sewage disposal system. There is no subdivision of the parcel at this time. There is an existing single-family residential dwelling on the parcel which is a current Agricultural Conservation Easement. The Planning Commission authorized the Chairperson and Zoning Officer to sign Section J. - Consistency with Zoning and Subdivision and Land Development Ordinances.

Recommended motion: That the Board of Supervisors Review the PA DEP Component 1 Planning Module and authorize Chairperson to sign Section K. – Municipal Action indicating whether the Planning Module is found to be Acceptable or Not Acceptable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Board **authorize** the Chair to sign Section K of the Component 1 Sewage Facilities Planning Module.

VII. STAFF AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. COG COMMITTEE REPORTS

20 minutes

- a. TLU Committee
- b. Public Safety Committee
- c. Steering Committee-Parks Rec Comp Plan
- d. Human Resources Committee
- e. Finance Committee
- f. Joint Parks Capital CRPRA Committee
- g. PSE Committee

2. OTHER REGIONAL COMMITTEES

5 minutes

3. STAFF REPORTS

- a. Township Manager
- b. Planning and Zoning Director
- c. Public Works Director
- d. Chief of Police
- e. Treasurers Report

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