

**Cumberland Township Board of Supervisors**  
**1370 Fairfield Road, Gettysburg, PA 17325**  
**Minutes of the May 19, 2016 Workshop**

Chair Underwood called the workshop to order at 8:30 a.m. Present were all Supervisors: Underwood, Paddock, Todd, Waybright and Shealer; Township Manager Ben Thomas, Jr., Solicitor Sam Wiser, Road Superintendent Chris Walter, Secretary Carol Merryman and Police Chief Don Boehs. Others present were Speros Marinos, Dale Molina, Al Ferranto, Doug and Nita Gross, Don Kauffman, Jodie Evans, P. E., PTOE and Chris Bauer, P.E., PTOE from McMahon Transportation Engineers and Planners. The workshop was tape-recorded.

**Public comment:**

Mr. Al Ferranto, 501 Knight Rd., urged the Board to extend the waste hauling contract for another year in order to keep the lower rate of \$34.00 per quarter for the collection.

Mr. Speros Marinos, 912 Baltimore Pike, reported that he attended the PennDOT bridge open house for the repair of the bridge on Fairfield Road just below the Township Building and he was glad to see that the bridge will not be closed. Mr. Marinos added that the Comprehensive Plan is a regionalization plan and he feels that should be done in Pennsylvania and feels that Cumberland, Straban, and Gettysburg probably should be under one common government.

**Manager:**

Mr. Thomas reported that representatives, Jodie Evans and Chris Bauer from McMahon Transportation Engineers and Planners, were present to discuss the future of the Township's Act 209 Study that is around ten years old now and due for an update. He added that Ms. Evans has prepared a quote for updating the Roadway Sufficiency Analysis Study and Transportation Capital Improvement Plan, in the amount of \$33,900.00. Ms. Evans gave a quick overview of Act 209, a law that went into effect in 1990. She explained that the purpose of the law is to have developers pay their "fair share" of a needed roadway improvement even though their project alone may not trigger the need for an improvement; their development along with other small developments would trigger an improvement. She added that the fee is based on the number of trips being generated by the development. Ms. Evans reported that the study was completed in 2006 and there were 15 to 16 intersections included. She also explained how the intersections were evaluated, the two service areas within the Township and the fees for each. Ms. Evans stated that the Township has three options: spend the funds on improvements identified in the study, refund the traffic impact fees paid by the developers or update the study. Ms. Evans explained that if the Township decides to move forward with the update they will need to appoint a Traffic Advisory Committee consisting of seven to 15 members and 40% of the members must be developers and the update should be completed by the end of 2017. Ms. Evans stated that they do not prepare the Land Use Assumption Report and reported that Adams County Planning Office can help the Township with that at a real cost savings. Ms. Evans stated that the scope of the study could be modified by deleting some intersections thereby reducing the price of the update. Mr. Thomas confirmed that he has already spoken to County Planning about this and has a meeting scheduled. Ms. Evans reported that there were four intersections in the study that did not warrant signal improvements and she suggested that they may be trimmed from the study and they were reviewed and discussed. The Board also pointed out several intersections that may now need to be added to the study. Mr. Thomas stated that he is concerned about burdening the small commercial "mom and pop" establishments that may have to pay the impact fee and Ms. Evans stated that a "de minimus" provision can be written into the study. The Board agreed to prioritize the top 12 intersections and Ms. Evans will revise the proposal and get it back to the Township next week. Mr. Shealer suggested that the Highway Committee meet with Mr. Walter, Road Superintendent, to discuss the intersections and the formation of the Advisory Committee was discussed.

Mr. Thomas reported that at the April meeting the Board discussed whether to extend the Waste Hauling contract with Advanced Disposal for one more year or to re-bid for the service in 2017. Mr. Thomas stated that he would like to find a comparable bid that has been put out within the last six months to see if the bid has gone down or possibly has gone up.

Mr. Thomas also reported that the Finance Committee met with a representative from ACNB Bank to discuss a program that they have called "Positive Pay" and the committee is recommending that the Township participate in this program. Mr. Thomas explained that it is a fraud protection program that works by the Township supplying the bank with a list of checks (after they are approved by the Board) and the bank will not cash a check drawn on the Township's account unless it appears on that list. Mr. Thomas added that people are now able to reproduce checks and attempt to get them cashed. He added that there is a \$35.00 per month and \$.05 per check charge; and if the bank does happen to cash a fraudulent check, they take the loss, not the Township. Mr. Thomas noted that this will only be for General Fund checks. **Mr. Toddles made a motion seconded by Mr. Shealer and carried to approve the Township's participation in the Positive Pay program with ACNB Bank.**

Unless otherwise noted, all votes were unanimous. There being no further business the workshop was adjourned at 10:10 a.m. for an Executive Session for a personnel item with no report to follow.

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Carol A. Merryman, Secretary

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