

Minutes for the April 09, 2012 meeting of Catharine Township Board of Supervisors

The board of supervisors for Catharine Township met on Monday, April 09, 2012, at the Catharine Township Building with Ralph F Rispoli, David Bigelow, Marc Daniel Isenberg and secretary present.

Visitors were Jon McClintock from Point View Cottage Association, Brian Shura from Stiffler, McGraw and Assoc, Jeff Kifer and Reggie Lower.

A motion was made that the minutes and agenda were approved as written by David Bigelow, seconded by Marc Daniel Isenberg. Unanimous

Jeff Kifer talked about the Gerald Lower Subdivision. A motion was made by Ralph Rispoli to accept the Gerald Lower Subdivision, seconded by David Bigelow. Unanimous

Jon McClintock from the Point View Cottage Association talked about the dual outlet sewer system. Right before the meeting Jon found out their planning module was processed just before submitting an application for a discharge Permit to DEP. The application has been sent to Keller Engineers and Altoona Office of DEP. After it goes from that step, then the Association will all have to sign installation and maintenance agreement for small flow treatment facility agreement. That puts a burden on them to allow our inspector to come in and check their facility to make sure everything is working OK. Jon McClintock was told the planning module is not a long step. When Keller's and DEP approves the planning module, the Association can then file for an application for a building and construction permit. They then start a 60 to 120 day window of approval with DEP. Jon wanted to ask the supervisors to consider approving the planning module at a public meeting to sign the agreement that will be contained in documents before Keller Engineers and DEP. Contingence on Keller recommendation the supervisors will decide whether to approve the plan. If not, they have to go back to the drawing board. Ralph Rispoli said we would have to have at least two supervisors and a special meeting if it is not our regular meeting to sign. A motion was made to approve it after Keller Engineers approval by David Bigelow, seconded by Ralph Rispoli. Unanimous

Brian Shura from Stiffler, McGraw and Assoc. talked about the Williamsburg Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrade project for the Williamsburg Municipal Authority. Stiffler, McGraw and Assoc. submitted documents pertaining to the Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements Land Development Submission to Keller Engineers, Inc. and one to Blair County Planning Commission for review. The project is located in the floodplain of the Frankstown Branch of the Juniata River. The project will change the floodplain boundary; however, mitigation is proposed to offset any potential water surface elevation increases. The proposed WWTP upgrades are part of a PA DEP mandate which will likely proceed to construction this fall/winter. Since the preliminary maps have not yet been adopted, out Hydrologic & Hydraulic Analysis is available for your use to incorporate into the proposed map revisions if you so choose. Regardless, we must proceed with the project, and any changes to the flood maps will be addressed upon project completion. On behalf of the Williamsburg Municipal Authority, Stiffler, McGraw and Assoc. are herewith requesting waivers from the following sections of your Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance.

1. Section 306.1 – Providing financial security.
2. Section 506.a – Providing drainage easements along the perimeter of the property.
3. Section 602.3 – Providing curbs.
4. Section 803.d.1-3 & 5 – Providing illumination, interior landscaping, sidewalks, and special access designations areas in parking facilities.
5. Section 804.b – Non-residential buildings to be no closer than 50 feet to any right-of-way line.

A motion was made by David Bigelow to except the requested waivers from the following sections of our Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance, seconded by Marc Daniel Isenberg. Unanimous

Brian Shura explained the floodplain in the Mt Etna area. The supervisors had Keller's Engineer see if the trailers were in the floodplain. The trailers look like they are not in the floodplain. The trailers are just right outside the floodplains. The supervisors are back to the beginning about the campsite. The campsite is a nuisance. The supervisors said to let Allen Gibboney know.

Home Nursing Agency wanted to see about a donation for this year. A motion was made to donate of \$250.00 by David Bigelow, seconded by Marc Daniel Isenberg. Unanimous

Williamsburg Summer Recreation Assoc wanted to see about a donation for this year. A motion was made to donate \$175.00 by David Bigelow, seconded by Marc Daniel Isenberg. Unanimous

The supervisors asked if the secretary would look into Plgit about the P-Card. A salesman called and said we would have to do at least \$100,000.00 a year in sales to use this card. The salesman recommended going to our local bank. I asked at the 1st National Bank, and they said we could use a debit card. The HiFi account you can only do 6 transactions a month. The Building Permit account that we were going to close out can do as many transactions as needed. There is an authorization paper that will need signed by two supervisors or one supervisor and secretary. David Bigelow made a motion to authorize getting debit cards, seconded by Marc Daniel Isenberg. Unanimous

Supervisors authorize Michael Fay and Eleanor Harclerode to get debit cards and use the general account. Supervisors talked about them getting debit cards. No motion was made.

Allen Gibboney sent a copy of the joint agreement which now exists between Woodbury and Huston Township. Catharine Township is still interested in going further with their interest in participating in this joint cooperation. Ralph Rispoli made a motion to proceed with the joint agreement, seconded by David Bigelow. Unanimous

Holding Tank Ordinance section #7 and 8 what are the amounts that go on these lines? Section #7 waiver the filing fee and section #8 the sum is \$40.00.

Prevailing Wage Resolution - The supervisors said just to fill out papers and send in and no signatures.

Uniform Construction Code - A reassessment audit was performed on 2/22/12 by Inspector Scott

Brown to determine if adequate administration and enforcement of the accessibility requirements of the Uniform Construction Code is occurring in Catharine Township, Blair County where R. Clem Malot serves as the Building Code Official. One project was involved in the audit. The results of the audit follow. Two Findings:

1. The front entrance door to the building addition has actuating hardware that requires a tight grasping and twisting action to operate.
2. The edge of the lavatory in the unisex restroom is located at 55-inches from the sidewall where the water closet is installed. This encroaches into the required clearance space for the water closet.

Dirt & Gravel Road Program – Blair Co Conservation District could not fund our project this year. One of the criteria for the program is Municipality Qualification/Training. Participants must have attended the 2 day Dirt & Gravel Road Environmental Sensitive Training (ESM) within the last 5 years. There records indicate that a representative of the Township last attended the training in 1998. Another requirement is that the project must meet Dirt & Gravel Road Best Management Practice requirements. Our application to apply 2A stone is not an acceptable practice under the Dirt & Gravel Road Program. We can try again after a representative attends the above listed training.

Williamsburg Bridge Replacement Project – Letting us know they will have flag persons 24 hours a day through the work zone.

David Bigelow wanted to know before he left what kind of curtains they wanted for the office? Also, Ralph Rispoli said the vent on the top of the roof that is rusting will eventually ruin the shingles.

David Bigelow voiced concerned about water lying on Canoe Mountain Drive. David Bigelow asked if something could be done about the water.

Michael Fay said he has been interviewing some applications to replace William Hoffner for the summer. Michael Fay said he would like to hire James McGregor Jr.

Ralph Rispoli wanted the secretary to send letters and copy of the Nuisance Ordinance to Bonnie Dopp about two trailers, Donald & Celestia Barker two trailers on their property, and Constance & Daniel Sweat for insulation blowing on neighbor's property.

Act 32 - Blair Co Tax Collection Bureau need to know who is going to collect the delinquent taxes from 2011 or previous years which have not been remitted or provided to the Article XIII tax officer by June 30, 2012. Township needs to let the Blair Co Tax Collection Bureau know.

Ralph Rispoli asked about paying a bill for an ink cartridge. It was to reimburse his wife. Marc Daniel Isenberg said we would. No Motion was made.

Michael Fay Roadmaster Report:

1. Cut shoulders on Pole Cat Hollow and Etna Furnace Roads

2. Truck Inspections – Stuckey Ford - under warranty
3. Agility Program – Pipe on Pole Cat Hollow
4. PennDot Plowing Snow – Fox Run Road - \$600.00 per lane times 6.3 Miles
5. Bellville – picked up a small Trailer with a single axle to take care of that wacker
6. PennDot – Paving Roads - Bear Crossing Drive & Canoe Mountain Drive
7. Spreaders off & painting tractor done
8. Mowing grass
9. Blair Co Bridges and Township roads – responsible for bridge signs.
10. Edgewood Drive – One side about water going into their basement.

Ralph F Rispoli made a motion to pay bills, seconded by Marc Daniel Isenberg.

Marc Daniel Isenberg made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ralph F Rispoli.

Respectfully submitted,

Eleanor K Harclerode, Secretary/Treasurer