

MINUTES FOR July 5, 2010 MEETING OF THE CATHARINE TOWNSHIP BOARD  
OF SUPERVISORS

Mr. Rispoli called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m. Those attending the meeting were as follows:

Visitors for the July 5, 2010

1. Richard W. Hess
2. Sally M. Hess
3. Ginny Landis
4. Robert Landis
5. Jean Itinger
6. Richard Roller
7. Joe Reynolds
8. Anna Mary Reynolds
9. Norman Calhoun
10. Harry G. Lloyd
11. Suzanne Bowser
12. Glen Sweeney
13. W. Sweeney
14. William Moore
15. Andrea Phelps-Moore
16. Elizabeth Kotala
17. Alice Laskaris
18. Stan Kotala
19. Nelson Hartm
20. Norma Hartm
21. David Plummer
22. Joan Plummer
23. Richard Tate
24. Bill Malone
25. Ed Burger
26. John Liebal
27. Karen Liebal
28. Nancy Burkle
29. Beryl Gibson
30. Ron Gibson
32. Robert Washburn
33. Cheryl Washburn
34. Jim Roller
35. Hellen Roller
36. John Roller
37. Dan Isenberg
38. Sharon Isenberg
39. Karen Swaney

40. Gaydawn Kagarise
41. Rowdy Kagarise
42. Helen Teeters
43. B. Burns
44. Betty Kagarise
45. Glenn Kagarise
46. Patty Mock
47. Perry Clapper
48. James Edwards
49. Tom Haney
50. Mick Tekely
51. Bill Anderson
52. Jerry Green
53. Mick Cochrane
54. Bob Richers
55. Jennifer Barefoot
56. Karl King
57. Stan Simpson (for Penndot)
58. Jack Halpern
59. Jim Ross
60. Rich Tote
61. Ralph Rispoli
62. David Bigelow
63. Barrie Wyland
64. Kara Deters

Barrie made a motion to accept the June 2010 minutes as written. David seconded them and all were in favor.

Barrie made a motion to accept the June 2010 financial report as written. David seconded the financial report and all were in favor.

#### Old Business

The proposal of taking over Oak Alley as a township road is still being handled by Allen at this time.

The Board has received the newly revised Flood Plain Ordinance and will need to wait for the proper flood plain maps arrives to insert the dates from the maps before the map is advertised for adoption.

Barrie received holding tank plans drawn up by Keller Engineers and they went with a 3,000 gallon holding tank up plans for a septic system

and the plans will soon be ready to receive quotes from contractors. We need a hauler's contract and as soon as it's signed Barrie is going to get prices from contractors. The lowest bidder will win the award and Barrie is authorized to award that bid.

The board received a copy of a letter from Allen Gibboney in regard to the Centax issue. Don was at the meeting tonight as this issue was discussed and is going to give Allen the go ahead and make initial contact with Centax.

In regards to the new Catharine Township Business Office, Barrie okayed a French drain that the architect forgot to put in the initial plans. Also the old the garage roof was deteriorating so along with the new roof Barrie okayed the existing roof to be repaired. The price is to be around \$3,800.00. The block wall on the existing garage currently isn't finished and David motioned that Wayne be able to put up the dry wall for \$600.00 Barrie seconded it and all were in favor. Barrie had a meeting with the contractor and the architect for changes in the building plans and changes were to be submitted to B&W construction.

Last month Mr. Rick Baker had noticed some tractor and trailers on Canoe Mt. Drive. He has the road bonded for his Logging Company, Baker Logging, and is worried that if damage is done to the road his company legally will have to pay for the damage even if it was caused by the other truck drivers. The State Police were notified and were supposed to come down and monitor the area. Kara spoke with Rick Baker and he said the tractor and trailer activity had decreased dramatically. If Mr. Baker would like to contact Keller's to do a road study before anymore work is done by him on the road to make sure no damage was done from other truck, it would be at the discretion of his company.

#### New Business

Stan Simpson was here to present a package proposal from PennDot to purchase a right of way from the township for \$600.00. David made a motion to accept the proposal as written. Barrie seconded it and all were in favor with a unanimous vote.

Tonight more than 50 people came to the meeting to express concerns, raise awareness and obtain information about a quarry that is proposed to be on a property in Catharine Township. Jim Ross took the stand for the Gulf Materials Trading and Transport to explain the background with the companies. In 2007 Mr. Clifford Wise purchased 187 acres of land which included an abandoned limestone quarry, in Catharine Township. Gulf is in the process of permitting a limestone quarry on 135 acres of

the land to fulfill its obligations to mine high calcium carbonate limestone. Some of the economic benefits for the Catharine Properties are as follows; 25 more jobs within 2 years,

9 transportation jobs and an overall total of about 44 jobs created by this project. The projected length of this project is and hours per day of the project are

undetermined at this point. Residents Mick Tekely and Suzanne Bowser asked questions of concern concerns about the traffic on the township roads and the overall safety of the roads and the people who drive them. Stan Kotala gave his testimony about the environmental and health concerns and several residents spoke out about the beautification and serenity of the Rails to Trails which will neighbor the limestone quarry. Mr. Rowdy Kagarise spoke on behalf of a group of residents that are concerned about the safety of the Rails to Trails. They are concerned with the safety of the trail. They would like the supervisors to take into consideration some of the concerns of the citizens that include: Safety of the children animals and citizens along the proposed route.

Will the roads be widened to allow two trucks to pass safely? What damage will be done wells on the neighboring properties and the foundations of the homes? Who will pay for any of these damages?

What damage will be done to the river, trail and wildlife. He announced that over 500 signatures had been collected in opposition to the limestone quarry but hopes that in the next couple of months that some concerns will be able to be talked through and resolved. The Gulf Materials and Trading Companies have assured the board that all required studies and permits are in the process of being applied for and that the project is in the beginning stages and more information will be available soon.

A motion was made to pay the bills.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:32 pm

Respectfully submitted,  
Kara Deters, Secretary/Treasurer