

Minutes for the August 13, 2012 meeting of Catharine Township Board of Supervisors

The board of supervisors for Catharine Township met on Monday, August 13, 2012, at the Catharine Township Building with David Bigelow, Marc Daniel Isenberg, Ralph F Rispoli and secretary present.

No visitors.

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

A motion was made that the financial report be approved as written by David Bigelow, seconded by Marc Daniel Isenberg. Unanimous

There is nothing new on the campsite or Oak Alley.

We received a draft of an ordinance to expand the present joint cooperation agreement of Huston and Woodbury Township to include Catharine Township and the Williamsburg Borough. The solicitor would like everyone to review the substance of the agreement, which is contained in paragraph II of the ordinance, and advise the solicitor of any questions, concerns, additions, or subtractions. After the solicitor hears from each municipality, then he will prepare ordinances which will be specific to each municipality.

Karl King from Rails to Trails said about re-decking two bridges and to resurface some of the trail. Karl King said when Congress passed the new Transportation Act; non-profits were no longer eligible to apply for the funds available under the Transportation Alternatives program. Rails to Trails have been advised that their application will still be considered if a municipality will agree to sponsor it for them. Rails to Trails are asking Catharine Township Supervisors to consider sponsoring their application and providing them with a letter of commitment to that effect. Karl King said they will assume any additional financial liability and will undertake all necessary administrative paperwork associated with the project. A motion was made by David Bigelow to accept sponsorship of Rails to Trails of Central PA., Inc.'s application for up to \$251,876 in Transportation Alternative funds to make improvements to the Lower Trail, seconded by Marc Daniel Isenberg. Unanimous

John Bottenfield asked about getting a road sign for Mt Etna Sportsman's Club, Inc. Ralph Rispoli said we do not pay for the signs. It is a private lane. The township can get the sign, but they will have to pay for it.

Allen Gibboney sent a draft of an ordinance for the per capita tax. A motion was made by Marc Daniel Isenberg to advertise for the per capita ordinance and leave it at the same amount of \$2.00, seconded by David Bigelow. Unanimous

The fall convention date was set for September 20, 2012. No place was set yet.

Ralph Rispoli has asked for a report to compare earned income tax from 2011 to 2012. Ralph

has asked to continue receiving a report each month.

David Bigelow asked for the Williamsburg Community Farm Show about the sale of compost. David did not think it was a good idea, because of the smell, people bring the wrong things like cans, bottles, and other things, turning it twice a month, and keeping records, about who was buying and how much. David said he would ask Catharine Township Supervisors and see what they think. Marc Daniel Isenberg had questions:

1. wanted to know how it would be fenced off or secure
2. being close to the ball field will there be any consecration or hardship
3. misuse of it
4. how close to a flood plain will it be

All farms have to have a manure management program in place even if you have only one animal. They would have to have a manure management program at the farm show if a compost pile was placed there. The supervisors feel it is too close to the residents, town and a lot of questions that would need answered.

Marc Daniel Isenberg said he had been talking to Ted Hale. The Fire Department wants to spray paint the Community Center. They wanted to know about mowing grass. Marc Daniel Isenberg said we don't have a mower. Prough's said they will start mowing the grass and take care of the grounds. Marc Daniel Isenberg commented on the flag and stand. Marc Daniel Isenberg has priced different places and the flag and stand run around the same price. Marc Daniel Isenberg talked to Jimmy McGregor who said he would like to make a stand out of wood.

Grannas Brothers came down and checked for paving Canoe Mt Road Ext. The budgeting estimate they said would be \$49,000.00. Mike Fay said he will not be able to see Mike Bowser until August 22, 2012 at 10:00 AM. Mike Fay said they need to do:

1. Power Broom
2. Place bituminous tack coat
3. Cut milling notches
4. Place 3" of 19mm over 3731 s.y.

The supervisors asked if the information for paving Canoe Mt Road Ext would be ready for the next meeting. If we can get it advertised in time and the bidders have returned the paper work, then we can.

Mike Fay would like to have a meeting with the school district to question what roads need done first so the road crew can do those roads first for the school buses.

Mike Fay asked about the Winter Traffic Services Agreement if we could get it approved and signed tonight to plow Fox Run Road. The information just came in today through email. David Bigelow made a motion to accept Resolution 1205 Winter Traffic Services Agreement to plow Fox Run Road, second by Marc Daniel Isenberg. Unanimous

Ralph F Rispoli made a motion to pay bills, seconded by David Bigelow.

Marc Daniel Isenberg made a motion to adjourn, seconded by David Bigelow.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor K Harclerode, Secretary/Treasurer