

**MINUTES FOR THE AUGUST 3, 2009 MEETING OF THE CATHARINE  
TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Mr. Bigelow called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Supervisors David Bigelow and  
Barrie Wyland were present and visitors Bruce Estep and David Love

Barrie made a motion to accept the minutes from last month's regular meeting as written,  
David seconded the motion and all were in favor

Barrie made a motion to accept the financial report, David seconded the motion and all  
were in favor.

**Old Business**

The small wind energy ordinance is tabled until next month.

Under the deadlines that Mrs. Debbie Appleman presented for Act 32, an alternate  
delegate needed to be appointed at this meeting. Although the supervisors voted Mr.  
David Imler the voting delegate several months ago, an alternate still needed to be voted  
on. Mr. Barrie Wyland volunteered to be an alternate if Mr. Imler cannot be present to  
vote. David made a motion to accept the Act 32 TCC resolution with the two delegates  
voting on behalf of Catharine Township. Barrie seconded the motion and all were in  
favor.

Mr. Estep was present to check on the Gerald Dickens property issue this month. Solicitor  
Allen Gibboney accompanied by Barrie Wyland went to visit the site and the findings  
were that there were no violations on the site according to the junk yard ordinances. There  
has been an improvement on the property. Mr. Estep would like a copy of the Junk Yard  
ordinance. Kara contacted the Game Commission and DEP to make them aware of the  
possible contamination of nearby streams because of refuse from burning junk cars on  
this property. There was no correspondence from either outfits and it was suggested that it  
may have more of an impact if the residents contacted the Game Commission and DEP  
also.

The solicitor is also reviewing the Ed Chamberlain/Oak Alley situation as well as the  
campsites and will have material for the supervisors to review as soon as he has assessed  
the situations.

David Love was present to inquire about website updates. Also there is a light near his  
house at an intersection that is shining brightly on his property. He asked the township to  
ask Valley Rural Electric to tape the light so that it would still shine on the intersection  
but not on his property. The supervisors were ok with this and Kara will call Valley Rural  
Electric to give the go ahead for this to happen.

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The secretary had a Liquid Fuels audit done on July 13, 2009. There were no findings or comments from the auditor when the audit was finished and the Liquid Fuels Account and the records are in satisfactory condition. A copy of the audit will be sent to the board of supervisors in the mail.

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Barrie proposed to start paying for roadway maintenance and services out of the general fund instead of Liquid Fuels Account to conserve the monies for the upcoming winter season. David made a motion to accept this proposal, Barrie seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Kara asked the supervisors to sign a phone transfer letter stating that she would be allowed to transfer funds from home. This process was done before but when the banks changed hands from Omega to First National, they required a written letter to continue this process. David made a motion to sign the letter, Barrie seconded and all were in favor. The supervisors then signed the letter.

Kara presented the Barbara and Cliff Wise Subdivision. It will then be sent off to The Blair County Planning Commission as soon as a check for \$85.00 for review is sent to Kara in the mail.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:54 pm

Barrie made a motion to pay the bills.

Respectfully submitted,

Kara Deters Secretary/Treasurer