

Minutes for the August 12, 2013 meeting of Catharine Township Board of Supervisors

The board of supervisors for Catharine Township met on Monday, August 12, 2013, at the Catharine Township Building with Ralph F Rispoli, David Bigelow, Marc Daniel Isenberg, and secretary present.

Visitors – Jeff Kifer and Troy Shock

Ralph F Rispoli said one sentence needed taken out of the minutes. A motion was made to accept the minutes by David Bigelow, seconded by Ralph F Rispoli. Unanimous

A motion was made to accept the financial report as given by David Bigelow, seconded by Ralph F Rispoli. Unanimous

Yellow Springs Lutheran Church's Subdivision – A motion was made to accept the Yellow Springs Lutheran Church's Subdivision by Ralph F Rispoli, seconded by David Bigelow. Unanimous

Paul McGee's Subdivision – Paul McGee's Subdivision was already approved. We received a DEP copy, and the secretary wanted to see if the township could sign the map. The map is good, and we can put it into our file.

Bids for Air Conditioning and Heat – The Township received three bids. The bids were from Shock Electric, Rabenstein, and Ross Plumbing and Heating. After looking over the bids, the supervisors decided to reject all three bids because of lack of ability to compare. Michael Fay said that he will do up specks for what needs done and then have bids done. A motion was made by David Bigelow to reject the three bids, seconded by Ralph F Rispoli. Unanimous

Federal Surplus Property Program – The Township is currently registered to participate in the Federal Surplus Property Program. We need our information updated and any changes made.

Bids for Bear Crossing Road – We received three bids:

1. Grannas Bros. - \$77,735.80
2. New Enterprise Stone & Lime - \$79,708.62
3. Glenn Hawbaker - \$91,991.60

A motion was made by David Bigelow to accept the lowest bid which is Grannas Bros., seconded by Marc Daniel Isenberg. Unanimous

Point View Association - A letter came back from DEP to say the Planning Module A & B has been approved for the sewer small flow treatment facility.

Blair County Farm Bureau – The Blair Co Farm Bureau invites the supervisors for a Legislative Farm Tour. The tour will be Friday, August 16, 2013 from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. It will be held at Penn England Farms.

NIMS – The secretary has information for the Supervisors, Secretary, Roadmaster, and other Road Workers who needs to take the NIMS classes.

Allegheny Ridge Corp. – Allegheny Ridge Corp. would like to inform the township that they have applied for funding through the PA Department of Community and Economic Development Greenways. The Trails and Recreation Program wants to improve kayak and canoe access at the Mt. Etna trailhead along the Lower Trail.

A motion was made by David Bigelow, seconded by Marc Daniel Isenberg to designate and appoint Ralph F Rispoli to sign all documents, papers, or other materials necessary and appropriate to the liquidation of United States of America Bond in the face amount of \$1,000.00.

David Bigelow – Yes

Marc Daniel Isenberg – Yes

Ralph F Rispoli – Abstain

Roadmaster Report:

1. Tom's Tree Service is finished.
2. Has on the agenda to set up barriers to mark no parking from Chestnut Street to the beginning of the Community Center Parking Lot on Recreation Drive starting Sunday Night for Farm Show week.
3. Nick Fay will be going back to college. His last working day is August 23, 2013. Danny Bigelow will be coming in to help out.
4. Home Street Project has not been completed.
5. 100 Ft of pipe for the pipe project for Pole Cat and Mt Edna. Penn Dot is doing the agility, and we our doing the mowing.
6. Penn Dot asked if we could take one of our mowings off of Yellow Springs Drive and mow on William Penn Highway from Short Mountain to County Line.
7. Corn Stocks are being planted to close to the road, and we are receiving complaints about sight distance when pulling out from the intersections and going around curves.
8. Pole Cat Hollow – Brushing for school bus. Brushing needs done on Mt Edna and some on Cross Valley. Canoe Valley is completed.
9. Wants to call the school for another winter maintance meeting.

David Bigelow said in 1996 the Farm Show started to rent the ground from the township for a \$1.00 per year. David said that he went back and checked, and the Farm Show never paid anything. David said he spoke to the Farm Show's Attorney, and he said it is a 99 year lease and is to be paid in three (3) installments or one (1) installment. So David Bigelow had the Farm Show OK a check for one third of the installment \$33.00 for 33 years from 1996 to 2029.

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

Mike Fay would like to put \$2500.00 on the budget for tree trimming.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor K Harclerode, Secretary/Treasurer