

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

The board of supervisors for Catharine Township met at 5:00 PM on Tuesday, November 12, 2013, at the Catharine Township Building with Ralph F Rispoli, Marc Daniel Isenberg, and secretary present.

Visitors: Amy Jo White, Elaine Hulliberger, Gary Stiffler, and Mike Norris.

A motion was made to accept the minutes as written by Ralph F Rispoli, seconded by Marc Daniel Isenberg. Unanimous

A motion was made to accept the financial report as given by Ralph F Rispoli, seconded by Marc Daniel Isenberg. Unanimous

Elaine Hulliberger – Elaine said she just moved here in May, and the neighbor showed and said to her one day not to cover up this hole. Elaine said she did not know this was there when she bought the property. The other day PennDot workers came and asked if it was OK to open and flush the drain pipe. Elaine said she gave them permission, but now she has a hole and the drain pipe is open. When it rains, the water comes down through the pipe and into her back yard. Elaine said she asked PennDot workers if they were going to do something to fix the hole, and they said “no” they went as far as they are going. Elaine is more concern about the hole if someone comes on her property and gets hurt, and she gets sued for everything she has. PennDot said they would come back and put a trench down through her yard and fix tire rots. Elaine said she didn’t feel she should have this headache. Elaine wanted to know if there is anything the township can do. Marc Daniel Isenberg advised her to write a letter or call Jerry Stern’s office. Ralph Rispoli asked Mike Fay about his opinion of the situation. Mike said if Yellow Spring Road was a township road, our solicitor would not allow the township on the property because of liability. We may be able to work with her and put a pipe the rest of the way down through her yard. If they go to Jerry Stern, tell him that the township is willing to work with PennDot. Marc Daniel Isenberg will be sending a letter to Jerry Stern that our concerns are the same as Elaine.

Amy Jo White and Mike Norris are here about the supervisor position.

Roadmaster:

1. Mike Fay wants to go to a Roadmaster Roundtable Seminar. Ralph F Rispoli made a motion to pay the \$35.00 fee and mileage, seconded by Marc Daniel Isenberg. Unanimous
2. Kenneth Miller started working today for the township and also will clean the office.
3. Bidding on a Roller. Supervisors gave Mike Fay approval for the bidding on the Roller and Mower.
4. A trailer for the Salt Brim Tanks
5. Mike used his back hoe for four days.
6. Jerry White is still working some, but will be done by Thanksgiving.
7. Needs to get 5 part-time workers to plow snow.

HH Bond – Ralph F Rispoli took the bond to Allen Gibboney’s Office.

H A Thomson – Tim from the insurance company came, and went over the township policy, and

made some correction. Eleanor Harclerode is to ask the supervisors if they have anything that needs corrected. The supervisors said they do not see anything, and to let the insurance company know everything is OK. Also, Tim said about Act 46 Firefighters Insurance. Most insurance companies are doing away with the cancer insurance, and he wasn't sure if the fire companies will be raising the township portion they pay. Amerihealth is the only one that will carry this type of insurance for firefighters. Eleanor Harclerode called David Myers and talked to him. David said they will not be raising township portion this year. The fire company may have to go to the State Insurance Fund. Then they may have to come to the township for help.

EMC Claims –Physician Panel - Williamsburg Family Practice *current patients only* has been added to the panel. Marc Daniel Isenberg was happy that this was added. He wasn't sure if Med Express, Urgent Care, and One Call Medical are still current on the panel, or if they are off of the panel and wasn't removed. Marc Daniel Isenberg made a motion to accept the Physician Panel and have it posted in the office, seconded by Ralph F Rispoli. Unanimous

Resolution #1303 – Every ten year the Blair County Municipal Waste Management Plan updates the Act 101 of 1988. If your municipality disapproves of the plan, we are required to explain why in our resolution. Specifically, Act 101 of 1988 says, “A municipality may not disapprove of a proposed county plan unless the municipality’s resolution of disapproval contains a concise statement of its objections to the plan. Each municipality disapproving a plan shall immediately transmit a copy of its resolution of disapproval to the county and the advisory committee. A conditional approval shall be considered disapproval. Our resolution is due back into the Board of Commissioners Office by Monday December 23, 2013. Marc Daniel Isenberg made a motion to accept Resolution 1303, seconded by Ralph F Rispoli. Unanimous

Supervisor Vacancy – A letter from Allen Gibboney gave us the information we need to follow to fill the supervisor vacancy. Supervisors have within 30 days of the resignation to appoint someone. Then the vacancy board has 15 days. If no one is appointed by then the vacancy will be filled by Order of Court. The supervisors will be holding interviews on Monday November 25, 2013 at 7:00 PM for the supervisor position. Eleanor Harclerode is to call Louis Brenneman vacancy board.

Proposed Budget – Supervisors went over the proposed budget and made two corrections. Ralph F Rispoli made a motion to accept the proposed budget after the corrections were made, seconded by Marc Daniel Isenberg. Unanimous

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