

MINUTES FOR THE JUNE 20, 2019 MEETING OF THE CATHARINE TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Catharine Township's regular monthly meeting began at 7:00 PM with supervisors Kenneth Brenneman, Ralph F Rispoli, Heather Flaig, secretary/treasurer Eleanor K Harclerode, roadmaster Mike Fay and solicitor David Pertile.

Visitors: Daryl Cole, Natalie Gorsuch, Dwayne Keithley, Richard Smith, Jon McClintock, Joseph Lansberry, Scott Baker, Michael Breslin, Louis Brenneman, David McFarland, and David Cunningham from Keller's Engineer.

Kenneth Brenneman said he found some clerical errors. A motion was made by Kenneth Brenneman to except the minutes after corrections are made, seconded by Heather Flaig. Unanimous

Joseph Lansberry is from the Williamsburg Municipal Authority and said he talked to their solicitor and the Authority should not be interested until Act 537 has been approved. Joseph Lansberry said the township would not be eligible for any funding until Act 537 is in place. David Cunningham asked about ownership and operation of the facility. Joseph Lansberry said the way the Authority talks if they take over ownership then the Authority wants their engineer to take it over and design it. Joseph Lansberry suggested that David Cunningham comes to the Williamsburg Municipal Authority meeting which is the first Tuesday of each month at 6:00 PM.

Dwayne Keithley said he was approached by a man asking if Dwayne would be interested in leasing his farm for solar panels. Most townships have Agricultural Security Areas in place, but nothing for zoning. They would be leasing the land for 20 plus years. Louis Brenneman wanted to know who would have to clean up the mess if they abandoned the project. Dwayne Keithley asked the PA Department of Agriculture since ASA is in place in the township, are the farmers protected? They said "No". Dwayne said it is a particular to particular thing. If the farmers want to sign up for this, they can. Zoning-they could not give Dwayne an answer. There are three farms that are near the power lines. The dairy farmers could have problems with their animals. David Pertile said there is no zoning in Catharine Township, but you can put regulations in place. David Pertile said Woodbury Township is looking into the regulation as of right now. David Pertile said he will look into this more and may have some answers by next meeting. The township may have to do an ordinance.

David McFarland said he has started the surveys out in Ganister by going door to door, and he has 4 surveys. David would like to go again this weekend and even Monday or Tuesday during the day to see if they would be able to get more surveys before the middle of the week. Kenneth Brenneman said he would go with David McFarland on Friday evening. Ralph Rispoli asked if David McFarland would be going out this weekend. Ralph said he could go with David on Saturday Evening. David McFarland said there are 20 more residents they need to stop and get their information.

David McFarland asked if the township is interested in going with Woodbury Township and the Williamsburg Borough to update the comprehensive plan and share the cost. Kenneth Brenneman said he would be glad to sit at a meeting and work with the others.

Daryl Cole saw on the agenda about blacktopping Home Street and what project are you tying that in with. Mike Fay said we don't have any money. Kenneth Brenneman said we will have to work on that when we are going to blacktop. Kenneth said they don't have an answer.

Michael Breslin would like to blacktop his driveway. Michael wanted to know if the pipe is still going through his yard. Michael would like the pipe done before he blacktops his driveway. Mike Fay needs to check a drain that is in that area to see how far in the ground it is. Mike Fay said the crew will be doing the pipe very soon.

A motion was made by Heather Flaig to approve the financial report, seconded by Kenneth Brenneman. Unanimous

Brown vs Baker – David Pertile said we could talk about the issue in executive session.

On-Lot System Ordinance – David Pertile did email a draft ordinance to the township for the supervisors to look at and get their comments. David Pertile would like this ordinance to go to Luke Helsel to look at. Kenneth Brenneman did ask Joseph Lansberry and Dwayne Keithley how this is working in Woodbury Township. Joseph Lansberry said everything is going fine. Joseph said Luke Helsel did have some problems at first with residents dragging their feet and found some malfunction systems and were corrected. David Pertile said he has not heard anything.

911 Addressing Meeting – Eleanor Harclerode said she received an email that the County of Blair would like to invite someone to attend a meeting to discuss your municipality's participating in an Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement aiming to standardize 911 addressing within the county. The meeting will be held on June 25, 2019 at 2:00 PM at the Martinsburg Boro Building. Joseph Lansberry and David Pertile said they want to do an ordinance that all of the county would have to follow the same ordinance. They would like a supervisor to attend from each township.

JR Drive is finish. Michael Fay and Eleanor Harclerode final report submitted to Conservation District on June 17, 2019.

Eleanor Harclerode said we just received half of the money for phase 2 projects. The money is for JR Drive \$9765.00 and Hemlock \$12,124.00.

Bridge Replacement Project - PennDOT had their meeting June 19, 2019 at 4:30 PM for Public Official Meeting and 6:00 PM Public Meeting. The bridge is along State Route 2017 (Fox Run Road) over Yellow Spring Run to begin June 15, 2020.

Eleanor Harclerode said she did get a list of Valley Rural Electric lights. Michael Fay said he will check the lights out.

Roadmaster Report:

Michael Fay wants to get started on the Breslin property very soon.

Michael Fay said there are 6 roads that need paved and there is no money. Michael Fay wants to know what we are going to do. The six roads are:

1. Cross Valley Rd
2. Polecat Hollow Rd
3. Etna Furnace Rd
4. Overlook Dr
5. Chestnut St
6. Home Street

Kenneth Brenneman said we need to talk to Judy Ward and see about any grants that may help.

Heather Flaig asked about an email that came in from the Blair County Conservation District that Eleanor Harclerode is going to their meeting. Eleanor Harclerode said she is going for Woodbury and Catharine. Heather wanted to know if Eleanor is certified. Eleanor said “No”, but I help with the report that goes into the Dirt and Gravel Project. On the flyer that came in the mail it said it is a learning workshop for ESM Certified Personnel and their Municipal Administrative Assistant.

Supervisors went into executive session.

Supervisors exit executive session.

Credit Card Limit – Eleanor Harclerode has the form filled out to go to the credit card place to raise the limit and needs a copy of the minutes. Michael Fay signed the paper and found out the amount is wrong. Eleanor Harclerode said she still has the tape and they can listen themselves that they said together the amount was \$2500.00 for Michael Fay and Eleanor Harclerode. What the supervisors wanted to say was to keep Eleanor Harclerode at the \$500.00 and increase Michael Fay to \$2,500.00. A motion was made by Heather Flaig to increase Michael Fay Credit Card Limit to \$2,500.00, seconded by Ralph Rispoli. Unanimous

A motion was made to pay bills by Kenneth Brenneman, seconded by Heather Flaig.
Unanimous

A motion was made to adjourn at 9:00 PM by Kenneth Brenneman, seconded by Heather Flaig.
Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor K Harclerode, Secretary/Treasurer