

MINUTES FOR THE JULY 17, 2025 MEETING OF THE CATHARINE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Catharine Township's regular monthly meeting began at 7:00 PM at the Catharine Township Municipal Building with supervisors Heather Flaig/Secretary, Ken Brenneman/Treasurer and Ralph Rispoli/Supervisor. Solicitor, Jeff Muriceak was present.

Visitors: Elva Fay, Bob Aurandt, Daryl Cole and Natalie Gorsuch.

A motion was made by Ken Brenneman to accept the minutes as written for June 19, 2025. Ralph Rispoli seconded the motion. Unanimous.

A motion was made by Ken Brenneman to approve the Special meeting minutes for July 7, 2025 after adding the 2012 International reserve price of \$25,000 to minutes. Seconded by Ralph Rispoli. Unanimous.

A motion was made by Ralph Rispoli to accept the financial report, seconded by Ken Brenneman. Unanimous.

Mrs. Chamberlain wishes to leave the Oak Alley corner alone. Ken Brenneman and Greg Haney talked with her. No changes will be made at this time.

The speed signs along Yellow Springs had the posts bases set in concrete. Once set, the signs will be put up next week and PennDot will need to inspect them.

Daryl Cole asked about hours that Ken Brenneman put in for learning the treasurer back up duties. He will put in more hours as he is able.

The drainage on Hill Alley and Home Street will need a drainage box in. The pipe under the road looks fine. The angle of the pipe will need looked into to make sure drainage is going towards the river.

Stiffler McGraw Engineers will complete the Act 537 plan. They are still reviewing the information for the Plan and will contact us as soon as they have more information.

The township auction is scheduled for July 26, 2025 at 10 am. Several people have made appointments to come and look over the equipment to be sold.

Cross Valley paving bids were opened. Grannas Brothers was the only bid. The supervisors did not accept the bid. They were hoping for a lesser quote. They would like to re-bid it to get more bidders. Ken Brenneman made a motion to re-advertise and seconded by Ralph Rispoli. The supervisors talked about the possibility of obtaining a loan and what funds were available from general funds.

The next regular township meeting, August 21, will be re-scheduled to August 28, 2025 at 7:00pm due to the Farm Show Parade being the same day. Ralph Rispoli made a motion to re-schedule meeting, seconded by Ken Brenneman. Unanimous.

Bob Aurandt wanted to know what was in place to have the 2024 Audit findings to not occur again. Items were fixed and corrected. The solicitor stated that the fact they were fixed and corrected should be enough to not have the mistakes happen again. Bob asked about the field next to the Township

building and wanted to know who owned it. The Williamsburg Farm Show leases that land from the Township. Bob said the crops that are planted in the field obstruct the view to cross the road safely to get the mail. Ken Brenneman stated he planted the crops and he will start planting further from the road. Bob offered to mow the area if grass was planted.

The equipment lease was discussed. Woodbury Township has made no motion to have Catharine Township included in the lease. They already are in a lease from 2017. No action taken. The township currently is working with other municipalities as of now on a as needed basis.

Ralph Rispoli made a motion to approve the Supervisor Pay Ordinance # 80, seconded by Heather Flaig. Ken Brenneman abstained. This was discussed and advertised from the last meeting.

Ken Brenneman made a motion to approve the Resolution #07-17-2025-01 to raise auditors wages from \$10.00 to \$18.00. This was discussed at the last meeting.

The current Emergency Management Director for the township, William Deters, has resigned from this position. No action was taken.

Roadmaster Report

The lawn tractor is not working. Three dealerships were contacted for pricing. Prices ranged from \$5,000 to \$13,000. No action was taken. Greg Haney will look into prices for having it repaired. The Ford blue truck is having issues with the bed not operating right. This will be looked into to have fixed. Prices were discussed for a new upfit for a bed and spreader, chaise, and/or new truck. Prices ranged from \$42,000 to \$120,000. No action taken. Applying for a grant for a truck was discussed.

Supervisors Report

Ralph Rispoli made a suggestion to have the Morrison Cove Herald to be delivered to the Township building. Ken made a motion to have it delivered, seconded by Ralph Rispoli.

Ken suggested having PennDot trim the trees on Fox Run Road. A letter will be sent about this.

Ralph Rispoli made a motion to pay bills, seconded by Ken Brenneman.

Ralph Rispoli made a motion to adjourn at 8:20pm, seconded by Ken Brenneman.

A motion was made by Ralph Rispoli to go into an executive session. Seconded by Ken Brenneman.

Respectfully submitted,
Heather Flaig, Secretary/Supervisor