

Minutes for the June 13, 2011 meeting of Catharine Township Board of Supervisors

The board of supervisors for Catharine Township met on Monday, June 13, 2011, at the Catharine Township Office at 6:00 P.M with all supervisors and secretary present.

Visitors were Allen Gibboney and Ted McDowell.

Barrie Wyland made a motion to accept the minutes as written, second by David Bigelow. Unanimous

A motion was made to accept the financial report as presented by Barrie Wyland, second by David Bigelow. Unanimous

Allen Gibboney explained the resolution authorizing the signing of the deed of land between Catharine Township and Williamsburg Borough. If Catharine Township approve Allen will hold it until Williamsburg Borough signs off. Their solicitor is on vacation. Barrie Wyland made a motion to accept the deed transfer when it is completed, second by David Bigelow. Unanimous

Ralph F Rispoli asked about Gulf Trading & Transport LLC Roadway Maintenance Agreement and Bond proposed for Overlook Road. Allen Gibboney feels the Roadway Maintenance Agreement and Bond should not be automatically renewed each year. Allen feels Gulf Trading & Transport LLC should renew the agreement and bond each year.

Ralph F Rispoli asked about the State setback. Allen said that it is less than a quarter of a mile. The way you establish that setback is through zoning ordinance. You cannot spot zone so you have to zone the whole township.

Barrie Wyland asked when Blair Co Tax Bureau will begin. They will start collecting taxes January 2012. Anything for 2011 or before is the responsibility of David Imler.

Barrie Wyland asked about Subdivisions. Should Keller's Engineer review them? Barrie asked Allen's recommendation concerning subdivisions. Allen said there probably were no problems, but it would be good to have them checked before final signing. Barrie Wyland made a motion to have Keller's Engineer review every subdivision, second by David Bigelow. Unanimous

Barrie Wyland said he had a phone call about a subdivision back in the 1970's. Polecat Road to Linda's Road to McKnight Road is rough and steep. They asked if the Township would take the road over. It is steeper than what Penn Dot's requirements are. The right of way is 33 ft. If township would take it over, first an ordinance would need completed. Allen said we need to

look into this very carefully. The subdivision would be under Faith Detwiler or Mummert Subdivision. Allen will look to see if he can find it at the court house.

Barrie Wyland asked Eleanor to contact PSATS about getting paid for meetings. Allen said the township code said that supervisors may receive the maximum amount of \$1875.00 a year plus mileage. Meetings at the Blair Co Planning Commission, Blair Co Sanitation Committee or other places are not covered under the township code. Allen said you have to distinct between an employee and a supervisor.

Debra Haldeman - Allen talked to her. Don Gibboney has worked on a draft ordinance. What the ordinance does expands the Junk and Salvage yard ordinance. Junk or Salvage means any and all discarded and or salvaged materials including but not limited to: scrap metal, scrapped, inoperable abandoned or junk motor vehicles or parts thereof; vacant or abandoned trailers, campers or mobile homes or any vehicle regularly subject to licensing or inspection by the Commonwealth of PA where said licensing or inspection has not been kept current or renewed. Allen and Don Gibboney are to see if they can come up with everything else by our next meeting. We have to make sure we don't hurt other residents.

Allen Gibboney said he has been calling Rodney Lane and has not reached him about his work problem. Secretary told Allen, Rodney Lane has been in the hospital. Barrie Wyland talked to Rodney and told him that he would have to have a doctor's excuse to return to work.

Allen talked about Rick Baker bonding the road. Allen said the ordinance isn't that bad. When it's called a bond, you can post with cash so you don't have to have an insurance company do a bond. Rates are classified by state law. PSATS current amount is \$6,000 per mile for unpaved road and \$12,000 per mile for paved road and no increase for 30 years to cover township repair cost. If the township agrees with posting the road, Keller's Engineers would work up the amount. When Rick is done and there is no damaged to the road, then Rick gets his money back. Rick would have to fill out a Road Bonding Application.

Ted McDowell is a state constable, and he has nothing to do with the township. H A Thomson said Ted would not be covered by insurance if anything would happen. Ted would not get paid as a constable at a township meeting.

Keller's Engineers asked about reviewing the Wastewater Treatment, Land Development & Stormwater Ordinance. They would like to make sure Stiffler, McGraw & Associates comply with the Land Development & Stormwater Ordinance. Two consistency letters will need prepared and mailed to Stiffler, McGraw & Associates.

1. Stating the proposed project is in compliance with the Townships Stormwater Management Ordinance.
2. Requested that since the floodplain ordinance is part of the building permit ordinance, they recommend a letter in regard to the land development ordinance.

Williamsburg Recreation Committee is asking for a donation. Barrie Wyland made a motion to donate \$175.00, second David Bigelow. Unanimous

Ralph F Rispoli made a motion to pay bills, second David Bigelow.

Barrie Wyland made a motion to adjourn, second David Bigelow.

Respectfully Submitted,

Eleanor K Harclerode, Secretary/Treasurer