

MINUTES FOR THE JULY 20, 2023 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, Kenneth Brenneman/Treasurer and Ralph Rispoli/Supervisor. Road master Michael Fay was present.

Visitors: Natalie Gorsuch and Dave Deters

A motion was made by Ralph Rispoli to accept the minutes as written for June 15, 2023, seconded by Ken Brenneman.

A motion was made by Ken Brenneman to accept the special meeting minutes as written for June 22, 2023, seconded by Ralph Rispoli.

A motion was made by Ken Brenneman to accept the financial report and approval of bills to be paid and ratification of bills and intervening payroll paid in accordance with Resolution 2-17-2022-02, seconded by Ralph Rispoli.

River Front Drive- 33' of right-of-way is needed and a width of 16' of road. Kellers and the solicitor are working how we can obtain this. More info to come.

Etna Furnace paving- Grannas Bros were the only bidder. The original bid was re-estimated due to the county not allowing the county bridges to be crossed due to the weight limits. Approximately 1100 foot would not be able to be paved. The new estimate that Grannas Bros submitted was for \$83,988. Ken Brenneman made a motion to accept the new estimate. Heather Flaig seconded the motion. All in favor.

Ordinance #79, Supervisors Wages was approved and signed.

DEP looked at the pipe on Recreation Dr. At the time of inspection there did not appear to be a violation. A resident was provided a boomer to put around their drainage area to catch any oil or grease that may wash down.

A meeting was held with Southern Alleghenies Planning & Development, Blair County Planning Commission, Catharine Township, and Williamsburg Water Authority regarding the Ganister Sewage Project and funding. The original source of funding was going to be through CDBG for a grant. However, residents needed to complete a Financial Survey to qualify for funding. Not enough surveys were returned resulting in not qualifying.

Two other funding sources were discussed. A new estimate for the project will need done. Another meeting will be scheduled with Keller Engineers to discuss more options.

Roadmaster Report

Hemlock needs a drainage pipe. We will get estimates for that.

Township needs to do some trimming along Etna Furnace Road before paving starts. May need to rent a bucket truck to reach areas.

Cross Valley Rd is in need of repair, especially the Fox Run end.

Runk's Garage is still working on the red Ford truck.

There were four roads that washed out during the last storm.

Supervisors Report

Nothing at this time

Heather Flaig made a motion to pay bills and approve bills paid before the regular meeting with ratification, seconded by Ken Brenneman.

A motion was made by Ken Brenneman to go into executive session to discuss personnel at 7:30pm.

Heather Flaig made motion to go back into regular session and adjourn at 7:45pm, seconded by Ken Brenneman.

Respectfully submitted,
Heather Flaig, Secretary/Supervisor