

August 25, 2016

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Cranberry for August 25, 2016 was called to order by Fred Buckholtz, Chairman. This meeting is being tape recorded.

- **ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:** Those in attendance were Fred Buckholtz, Harold Best, Jerry Brosius and Chad Findlay (Township Manager). Guests in attendance were (see-attached sheet).
- **PUBLIC COMMENTS** – None.
- **ADOPTION OF AGENDA** – Harold Best made a motion to adopt the agenda, seconded by Jerry Brosius, motion carried (Fred Buckholtz - yes, Harold Best - yes, Jerry Brosius-yes).

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR 8.11.16** – Fred Buckholtz asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the August 11, 2016 meeting, hearing none Jerry Brosius made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Harold Best, motion carried (Fred Buckholtz - yes, Harold Best-yes, Jerry Brosius-yes).

2. **EXPENDITURES** – Fred Buckholtz asked if there were any questions on the expenditures. Chad pointed out that the Pioneer Electric bill was for the new electrical service at Moody Pond. Jerry Brosius asked about the bill from Hei Way LLC. Chad explained that it was for blacktop patch. Fred asked if the Tiger mower parts were for the new mower. Chad said it had to be because the old mower is no longer here. Harold Best made a motion to approve the expenditures. Seconded by Jerry Brosius. Motion carried. (Fred Buckholtz - yes, Jerry Brosius-yes, Harold Best- yes).

3. **PERSONS ON THE AGENDA** – Dorothy Malone explained to the Supervisors about the stray cat problem in her neighborhood. She then wanted to know what the Supervisors could do about them. Fred suggested that she call the Humane Society but no one seemed to have a real answer for her.

Andy Sentgeorge wanted to make his right to know request results part of public record (see attached sheet) and have an explanation given to the public regarding the expense of \$335,000 in legal and consulting fees paid over the last 7 years. Fred explained that a lot of things require legal advice and also a Comprehensive Plan is a necessity when applying for grants. Fred said the Township can get some definite answers. Andy then stated that more items need put on the website including specifically the Comprehensive Plan. Andy also wanted to clarify the results from the Comprehensive Plan survey. He stated that the newspaper has never printed a correction that the results were only based on the percentage of those who returned the survey.

4. **STAFF REPORTS**

Township Manager –Chad Findlay announced that the Supervisors held an executive session on 8/23/2016 @ 10:30AM to discuss ongoing litigation. He then read the Supervisors an invitation to the Oil Region Alliance Annual Member meeting on September 22 at Wanango Country Club at 8 AM. Chad then provided the Supervisors the expected payment amount of \$26,848.56 from PennDOT for the winter service agreement for this coming winter work. Chad presented the Supervisors a partially executed settlement agreement with Wallace Hepler regarding sewer service. This settlement was recommended by the General Authority for approval by the Supervisors. This agreement was reached after more than 25 years of disputes between both parties and results in the Hepler's making payments to the Township totaling \$19,845.60. Harold Best made the motion to approve and Fred Buckholtz seconded the motion. All in favor. (Fred Buckholtz - yes, Harold Best-yes, Jerry Brosius-yes). Next, Chad announced that an income survey is required by DCED for the Upper Sage Run Road work for the application years 2014, 2015 and for the planned work for the 2016 year CDBG application. Chad stated that the 2016 project needed to be approved as well and suggested the continuation of the 3 year project on Upper Sage Run, specifically the re-surfacing once the drainage and widening is completed. Fred Buckholtz made motion to include Upper Sage Run Road and admin for the 2016 CDBG application and Harold Best seconded. All in favor. (Fred Buckholtz - yes, Harold Best-yes, Jerry Brosius-yes). Chad stated that he attended a COG meeting the week prior and the Venango County Liquid Fuels applications were handed out. Chad stated that he would like to make application for some financial help to complete the surfacing of Central Ave Ext. and planned to coordinate this project with the City of Oil City as a multi municipal project. Fred Buckholtz made motion for the project and Jerry Brosius seconded. All in favor. (Fred Buckholtz - yes, Harold Best-yes, Jerry Brosius-yes). Chad announced that the 2017 Minimum Municipal Worksheet was sent from PMRS and that the additional payment for our unfunded liability has gone up. Chad explained that several discrepancies had been discovered between the Township and PMRS and he hoped to have current numbers prior to completing the 2017 budget.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS – Lou Betterman asked if the IMPC is still on the table. Fred stated it was on the back burner. Bernie Williams said this was his first Township meeting and said this Township was a special place and glad to call it home. Keep up the good work.

Marilyn Brandon wanted the Supervisors to know that she lives between 257 and Horsecreek on 322 and stressed that she does not want it zoned commercial.

Kevin Ross stated that he lives here and grew up here and doesn't consider junk cars "yard art", it is junk.

Scott Snow stated that he was glad IMPC was on back burner. He also wanted to see Township host another open house at the Mall and supports the commercial change on 322 between 257 and Horsecreek.

Beth Reed said there is already about 20 places for sale in commercial areas now.

Ed Barrett said the Supervisors should let the people decide if they want to change their own property.

Jim Combs questioned what gave the Supervisors the right to change someone's zoning.

Gary Wozniak questioned what was driving the proposed change.

Harold Best stated it was the Comprehensive Plan.

Terry Anderson said he lives down the road and didn't get a survey.

Chad Findlay stated that a survey was sent to every address that received a tax bill.

6. COMMENTS OF MEMBERS – Jerry Brosius reminded people that the Comprehensive Plan is a process and the Supervisors have not yet even seen the draft and they do not want to put something out there until it is closer to being finalized.

Harold Best said it was nice to see new faces.

Fred Buckholtz also said it is good to have everyone here.

The next meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Cranberry will be September 8, 2016 at 10:30AM. There being no further business, Motion to adjourn. Chairman Fred Buckholtz adjourned the meeting at 7:47PM.

ATTEST

Chad Findlay
Township Manager