

December 22, 2016

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Cranberry for December 22, 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** – Jerry Brosius made a motion to adopt the agenda, seconded by Harold Best, motion carried (Fred Buckholtz - yes, Harold Best - yes, Jerry Brosius-yes).
1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR 12.8.16** – Fred Buckholtz asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the December 8, 2016 meeting. Harold Best made a motion to approve the minutes. Seconded by Jerry Brosius, motion carried (Fred Buckholtz - yes, Harold Best-yes, Jerry Brosius-yes).
 2. **EXPENDITURES** – Fred Buckholtz asked if there were any questions on the expenditures. 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** – Barrie Brancato and Bonnie Summers both spoke regarding the Comprehensive Plan. Bonnie spoke mostly about blight and suggested to the Supervisors that they have a zero tolerance policy. Barrie spoke mostly about economic development and hoped the Supervisors would put into place an economic development committee including members of the steering committee, planning commission, businesses, and the Chamber of Commerce. She also reiterated the need for a strengthened property maintenance code.
 4. **STAFF REPORTS**
 - Township Manager** –Chad Findlay stated that he didn't have much to report on. He did state that road crew overtime is up due to the winter weather and the Township has experienced some truck mechanical issues. Chad also stated that the Township year-end requirements have been met.
 5. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** – Ed Barrett questioned the Supervisors on why they didn't get something from the Library for the \$5,000 donation. He stated they could have at least paid for cards for those who use it. Robert Zacherl read a prepared statement regarding the way businesses are treated in Cranberry Township.(See attached statement)
Eleanor Hrinya stated she is still disappointed with the Supervisors for only donating \$5,000 to the Library. She said all residents in the County except Cranberry have free access.
Bonnie Summers stated that the Library is a regional asset.
Barrie Brancato recommended the Township donate to the Library on a per capita basis.
Eleanor Hrinya said the Supervisors can't judge by tracking the users when the users have to pay for access themselves. Many can't afford to purchase cards, but would use if the Township purchased the membership.
Sam Martz stated the Supervisors should only consider reimbursing ½ of the library cards, that way people don't just get the card and not use it because it was free.
 6. **COMMENTS OF MEMBERS** – Merry Christmas

The next meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Cranberry will be January 12, 2017 at 10:30AM. Meeting was adjourned at 7:35PM.

ATTEST

Chad Findlay
Township Manager