

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CAMBRIDGE
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REGULAR MEETING

JULY 13, 2020

CALL TO ORDER, MOMENT OF SILENCE, AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG: Chairman Cole called the July 13, 2020 Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors to order at 7:00 PM followed by a moment of silence and the salute to the flag. The Meeting was held remotely due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

ROLL CALL: Supervisors in attendance were Kevin Cole, Charlie Bauer, and Bernie Blystone. Also present was Secretary/Treasurer/Zoning Officer, Debra E. Merritt and Roadmaster, Dan Klaphor.

IDENTIFICATION OF RECORDING DEVICES: There were no recording devices identified.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD (AGENDA ITEMS AND OTHER MATTERS): There was no public participating in the meeting, therefore no comments were offered.

SUPERVISOR COMMENTS: There were no comments from the Supervisors

PUBLIC REQUESTS BY PRIOR ARRANGEMENT: There were no requests made by prior arrangements.

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

CAJA – There were no minutes received from CAJA.

ZONING/PLANNING –

- **Planning Commission:** Minutes from the January 20, 2020 Reorganizational Meeting were received from the Planning Commission.
- **Zoning Hearing Board:** The Zoning Hearing Board held XL Excavating’s Public Hearing on Tuesday, June 23, 2020 to consider their request for a use variance for property located at 25912 Route 19, in order to operate an excavating business which would include office space, a maintenance garage and material storage. The Zoning Hearing Board subsequently approved their request. Additionally, Minutes from the February 7, 2019 Public Hearing for Racoon Refuse were approved and submitted.
- **Zoning Officer:** A written report was submitted by the Zoning Officer.
- **Subdivision Review.** Motion by Mr. Cole to approve the single-lot subdivision submitted by Robert Mitchell, Surveyor on behalf of David A. and Rita Ann Uhlman for property located on Ball Road in Cambridge Township. Second by Mr. Blystone.

Cole: Yes

Bauer: Yes

Blystone: Yes

FRENCH CREEK COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS– The next meeting of the French Creek Council of Governments scheduled for Thursday, July 16, 2020 at 11:30 AM.

TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE – The next meeting of the Crawford County Tax Collection Committee scheduled for Thursday, July 16, 2020, at 6:00 PM in the West Mead Township Building, is cancelled since there is no business to address.

SEWAGE –There was no report received from Peter Homchenko, Sewage Enforcement Officer.

PROJECTS AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Ordinance to Amend the Township’s Non-Uniform Pension Plan Administered by the Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement System. The Township was notified that it must amend its Non-Uniform Pension Plan administered by PMRS in accordance with Article IV of the Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement Law,

53 P.S. §881.101 et seq, which requires that plans confirm to IRS approved plan documents. Accordingly, an Ordinance must be passed amending the Township’s Pension Plan. There were no substantive changes to the pension plan, and the Ordinance was advertised in the June 22, 2020 edition of the Meadville Tribune.

Motion by Mr. Blystone to adopt Ordinance No. 01 of 2020, an Ordinance electing to amend its non-uniform pension plan administered by the Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement System pursuant to Article IV of the Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement Law, agreeing to be bound by all provisions of the Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement Law, as amended, and as applicable to member municipalities. Second by Mr. Bauer.

Cole: Yes Bauer: Yes Blystone: Yes

NEW BUSINESS:

Pleasant Hills Stormwater Facilities. Mr. Klaphor stated that while this issue was discussed at a recent meeting, he has again been approached by a property owner in the Pleasant Hills Subdivision, regarding stormwater issues. Basically, the resident is inquiring about who is responsible for the stormwater facilities located throughout the subdivision. He stated that while he is aware that the Township never accepted any of the stormwater facilities, he noted that were catch basins located within the Township roads, that subsequently run into the pipes under the roads. He further stated that while he understands that it is the Township’s position to not claim responsibility for stormwater facilities because residents have constructed their own facilities, he is unsure about the catch basins and pipes.

Mr. Bauer stated that while he feels that most of the facilities would be the responsibility of the individual property owners, he didn’t feel it would be their responsibility to deal with a catch basin in front of their house, especially if it were located in the road. He stated that he felt that the Township would need to determine specifically which catch basins/pipes the Township would be responsible for moving forward. The Board agreed that while the Township is not responsible for the stormwater facilities, it would probably be in the Township’s best interest to investigate which facilities would be beneficial for the Township to assume ownership of, and to take the necessary legal steps to accept such facilities.

ROADMASTER’S REPORT: A written report was submitted by the Roadmaster. The Board thanked Mr. Klaphor for his detailed report.

SECRETARY/TREASURER’S REPORT:

Motion by Mr. Blystone to accept the Treasurer’s Report and make Payment of the Bills as presented. Second by Mr. Bauer.

Cole: Yes Bauer: Yes Blystone: Yes

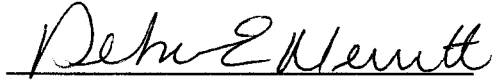
Motion by Mr. Bauer to accept the minutes of the June 8, 2020 Regular Meeting, as presented. Second by Mr. Blystone.

Cole: Yes Bauer: Yes Blystone: Yes

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: Since there was no public participating in the meeting, no comments were offered.

FURTHER BUSINESS: Mr. Cole stated that he had recently visited Andrews Farm Equipment in Spring Township where the Township used soybean oil as dust control. He stated that it appeared that they only applied it in front of residences, however he was impressed how well it worked. Mr. Klapthor noted that he was aware that soybean oil was an option for dust suppression, however due to the cost, he did not feel it would be an option for the Township. He stated that he could get an estimated price for the Board's consideration for next year.

ADJOURNMENT. There being no further business to be decided, Mr. Bauer moved to adjourn. Second by Mr. Cole. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 7:28 PM.



Debra E. Merritt, Secretary