

CUMMINGS TOWNSHIP MEETING  
JUNE 9, 2020

The Cummings Township Board of Supervisors held their monthly meeting on June 9, 2020 at 6:00 pm at the Waterville Volunteer Fire Company building, with Walter Braddock, Richard Bierly and Michael Yohe present.

Public Attendees: Zoning Liaison Will Wolfe, Carl Frech, Bub Rainey, Donna Bierly, Karen Purvis, Robert Sheets, Dennis Norman, PE, Denise Dieter, Esquire

**Approval of Meeting Minutes:**

Chairman Braddock asked for questions or comments on the minutes from the May 12, 2020 monthly meeting, there being none, Supervisor Yohe made a motion to approve the meeting minutes as presented; seconded by Supervisor Bierly, MCU.

**Approval of Treasurer's Report:**

Supervisor Yohe made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as submitted; seconded by Chairman Braddock, MCU.

**Public Participation:**

**Donna Bierly – Recreation Committee**

Donna Bierly of the Recreation Committee reported that the Cummings Township Park opened May 22<sup>nd</sup> and reported the following work was completed prior to it being opened to the public, including the following:

- stained the pavilion poles, both kiosks, and picnic tables;
- repainting the lines on the basketball court;
- the lines for the parking spaces were painted;
- the handicapped symbol was put on the ramp going into the park;
- the sign with park rules was posted at the kiosk;
- the area around the volleyball court was seeded;
- Honeydippers was notified of the park opening and to begin maintaining the portable toilets;
- Willow World inspected the playground equipment, performed routine maintenance on the equipment and issued a written report. It was noted that Willow World will come at anytime to inspect the equipment when requested and will do an annual inspection each year as part of the contract with the Township'
- Charles Construction has not yet paved the walkway into the exercise stations;
- diggers and the signage with age requirements have been ordered

Donna also reported that she met with Kathy Hollick to discuss the memorial donation made in honor of Toner Hollick to the Pine Creek Preservation Association and to decide the location for a memorial tree, plaque and bench at the park. She then contacted Donna Pearson of the Pine Creek Preservation Association and asked her to contact Kathy Hollick directly with regard to planting the tree, the installation of the bench and plaque at the Park.

A discussion was held about the possibility of installing additional plaques that would include the history and founding members of the Park.

Donna also noted that a tan AstroVan had been parking overnight at the park and a sign stating "No Overnight Parking" will be installed at that end of the Park.

### **Donna Bierly – Waterville Water Association Building Project**

Donna Bierly reported on behalf of the Waterville Water Association that the Department of Labor & Industry would be doing a final inspection of the new building tomorrow (June 10<sup>th</sup>) and said that the two outstanding items to be addressed after the last inspection were the exhaust fan and painting lines in the building leading to the generator and propane tanks.

Donna also reported that the Water Association is planning to flush the water lines and all the water leaks have been located.

A discussion was held and Supervisor Yohe suggested the possibility of the Water Association installing some water meters to make locating water leaks easier and that the Township would be willing to provide financial assistance to the Association toward the cost of the meters.

### **Zoning Report:**

Zoning Liaison Will Wolfe reported that when he toured the Township during the first week of June there was a deck under construction on Ramsey Drive with no permit visible and there were four campers with no permits visible. On Third Street in Waterville he found a camper and chain link fence with no permits visible; a camper on Bierly Drive with no permit visible; a deck under construction on White Oak Trail with no permit visible; and a camper on Church Street no permit visible and provided this information to Vic Marquardt of Code Inspections.

Will also reported receiving two telephone inquiries on building/permit issues from the date of the last meeting and provided those individuals with Vic's contact information.

Will noted that the report from Vic Marquardt indicates that permits were issued for several of the campers on Ramsey Drive and a permit was issued for the deck at 420 White Oak Trail.

### **Road Foreman's Report:**

Roadmaster Bierly reported completion of the following work:

- Mowing at Park and new Township property
- Dean Construction placed and rolled 6,300 tons of DSA on Dam Run Road, less than the 7,300 estimated and Municipal Services Barry Garverick did a final inspected of the road and approved the work
- 26 linear posts installed in the ditch along Dam Run Road with plans to place #3 stones in the ditch lines along the road

Roadmaster Bierly questioned the location and maintenance of the Township's right of way to Pine Creek through the former Pointe House property. A discussion was held regarding the right of way and the Board discussed where to install a sign stating "No stopping, no standing, loading or unloading" along the right of way.

### **Old Business:**

There was no old business presented for discussion.

### **New Business:**

#### **New Zoning Ordinance**

The Board of Supervisors tabled discussing the adoption process of the final draft of the new Ordinance to the July meeting.

#### **Modifications to Section 302.8 of the International Property Maintenance Code adopted by the Township**

Supervisor Yohe made a motion to direct Solicitor Dieter to make modifications to Section 302.8 of the International Property Maintenance Code as adopted by Cummings Township to coincide with provisions of the new Zoning Ordinance pending adoption; seconded by Chairman Braddock, MCU.

#### **Intergovernmental Agreement with DCNR/Bureau of Forestry**

A discussion was held regarding the Township entering into an Intergovernmental Agreement with DCNR/Bureau of Forestry for the maintenance of a restroom facility at the Park. Supervisor Yohe explained that a prior cost comparison done by the Township with regard to annual rental fees for the portable toilets and the anticipated maintenance costs for the restroom facility indicated that the cost to the Township would be about the same.

Supervisor Bierly made a motion to approve entering into the Intergovernmental Agreement with DCNR/Bureau of Forestry for a restroom facility at the Township Park; seconded by Chairman Braddock, MCU.

#### **SPCA Property**

Supervisor Yohe reported that he had been in contact with Lisa Linn of Davis Real Estate and spoke with DCNR/Bureau of Forestry Representative from Harrisburg regarding the proposal for the SPCA property purchase and land exchange and it sounded favorable but due to Covid-19 the approval process by the State has been slowed down.

Supervisor Yohe also reported that the Board of Supervisors would like to exercise the clause in the SPCA Sales Agreement to extend the agreement for six months by paying an additional \$500 toward the purchase of the property. According to the agreement, as long as it closes, the amount paid will be deducted from the sales price and if the sale falls through the money paid by the Township will be considered a donation to the SPCA.

Supervisor Bierly made a motion to pay an additional \$500.00 to extend the SPCA Real Estate Sales Agreement; seconded by Supervisor Yohe, MCU.

## **Correspondence**

Notice of Intent from ALTA for consumptive use of water at Larry's Creek F&G, Pad D in Cummings Township.

## **Dennis Norman, P.E. – Plans for Parking Area at new Township Building**

Dennis Norman, P.E. presented two different site plans for the parking area at the new township building for the Supervisors to review and noted that the location of the propane and septic tank will factor into the cost of both plans.

The Board discussed the plans with residents in attendance and it was the consensus of the Board that the Board of Supervisors continue with a price comparison and review of the plans.

## **Invoices**

Chairman Braddock Yohe made a motion to approve the invoices as presented; seconded by Supervisor Bierly, MCU.

## **Adjournment**

There being no further business, Chairman Braddock made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Supervisor Yohe, MCU.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene S. Macklem  
Secretary/Treasurer