

CUMMINGS TOWNSHIP MEETING
JANUARY 3, 2023

The Cummings Township Board of Supervisors held their monthly meeting on January 3, 2023, at 2:25 pm immediately following the Reorganization Meeting at the Cummings Township Municipal building, with Walter Braddock and Richard Bierly present and Michael Yohe attending via videoconference.

Also in attendance: Donna Bierly, Carl Frech, Roadmaster Craig Bierly, Les Ritter, Kim Shainline, Jim Capel, Tom Mussington, Paul Sattazahn, Jeff Markley, Sgt. Michael Crawford, and Marc Drier, Esquire

Pledge of Allegiance

Lord's Prayer

Public Participation

Paul Sattazahn

Resident Paul Sattazahn indicated that the President of Lock Haven EMS is willing to bring a unit to the township for residents to see what their money is being used for by the ambulance service.

Chairman Yohe thought it was a good idea and helps to create public awareness about the services provided and suggested that Mr. Sattazahn speak with Fire Company Officials to see if they could invite LH EMS to bring a unit down to the Sawdust Festival in April and the Apple Butter Festival held in October.

Recreation Committee Report

Donna Bierly reported that Mary Lynn Sheets has joined the Recreation Committee and the Committee continues to look for new members. She also reported that Lillie Langlois is still working on getting the handicapped swing and new leather swings for the park which are the only items remaining for the grant.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Chairman Yohe asked for questions or comments on the minutes from the December 13, 2022, Monthly Meeting, there being none, Supervisor Braddock made a motion to approve the meeting minutes as presented; seconded by Supervisor Bierly, MCU.

Approval of Treasurer's Report

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

Zoning Report

Chairman Yohe indicated that Zoning Officer Roger Hoy had nothing to report for the month of December.

TVRPD Police Report

Sergeant Michael Crawford presented the following report for the month of December:

Incidents

1. 12/06/22 – 22-2888 – Route 287 Highway, MVA
2. 12/12/22 – 22-2928 – Button Road, Assist Other
3. 12/17/22 – 22-2966 – Ramsey Drive, Road and driving
4. 12/19/22 – 22-2976 – West Drive, Ambulance assist
5. 12/26/22 – 22-3021 – Bierly Drive, Ambulance assist
6. 12/30/22 – 22-3048 – Sassafras Lane, Ambulance assist

Citations/Arrests

None

Sgt. Crawford also discussed the Tiadaghton Regional Police Department becoming part of the Lycoming Regional Police Department effective January 1, 2023, noting there will be no changes in coverage of the township.

Waterville Fire Company Report

Kim Shainline of the Waterville Fire Company presented an overview of the statistics for Cummings Township for 2022. There was a total of 72 incidents for Cummings Township and altogether there were 130 calls for the entire year.

The total man hours for 2022 was 919 hours and 16 minutes, just short of one-thousand man hours and that does not include hours for training or special events.

Road Foreman's Report:

Roadmaster Craig Bierly reported that employees took care of the roads after recent storms. The Dodge dump truck is bank in the garage and the new skid-steer is still enroute from Texas and the delivery date is still unknown.

Solicitor's Report:

Solicitor Drier reported that the date for the Magistrate's Hearing for Sweigart is January 23, 2023 but does not have a date for the DiMassimo Hearing and will follow up with the Magistrate's Office on the scheduling of that hearing.

Solicitor Drier said he has not heard anything from Roger Hoy about Mr. Ferrara, adding that they had until December 23, 2022 to respond to the notice.

Chairman Yohe said he would provide contact information for Gene Ferrara to Solicitor Drier in order for him to contact him.

Solicitor Drier also noted articles in *The Township News* pertaining to Firefighter and EMS Recruitment and Retention Act. He also noted that another Bill that passed allows 17-year olds to train fully with the permission from the Fire Chief and a parent or guardian.

Old Business:

There was no old business presented for discussion.

New Business:

Jersey Shore Public Library – Donation Request

Supervisor Bierly made a motion to donate \$1,000.00 to the Jersey Shore Public Library; seconded by Supervisor Braddock, MCU.

Chairman Yohe also suggested the possibility of the Waterville Fire Company having a service contract or memorandum of understanding with the municipalities where they provide coverage. After a brief discussion, it was agreed that Chairman Yohe would follow up with Solicitor Drier on the matter.

Correspondence

None.

Invoices

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

Adjournment

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

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene S. Macklem
Secretary/Treasurer