

CUMMINGS TOWNSHIP MEETING

April 8, 2025

The Cummings Township Board of Supervisors held their monthly meeting on April 8, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. at the Cummings Township Municipal building, with Michael Yohe, Walter Braddock and Charles Rogers present

Public Attendees: Jim Capel, Karen Purvis, Donna Bierly, Paul Sattazahn, Gail Sattazahn, EMC Denny Buttorff, Nate Hollick, PLS

Pledge of Allegiance

Lord's Prayer

Public Participation

Karen Purvis asked whether the Lycoming Regional Police Department received information from the speed trailer parked in Waterville concerning vehicles speeding through Waterville.

Chairman Yohe said he contacted Municipal Services Representative Barry Garverick about moving the speed limit sign, and information was sent to LTAP, and, as of today, we have not received a response.

Karen also asked if any progress is being made in the 9-1-1 numbering process.

Jim Capel of the Waterville Fire Company said the fire company is looking at various community areas to determine areas where 9-1-1 signage is an issue and noted that Avis Fire Company makes and sells 9-1-1 signs for \$20.00.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Chairman Yohe asked for questions or comments on the March 11, 2025, monthly meeting minutes; there being none, Supervisor Braddock made a motion to approve the meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Supervisor Rogers, MCU.

Approval of Treasurer's Report

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

Recreation Committee Report

Karen Purvis of the Recreation Committee stated there was nothing new to report for the month.

Zoning Report

Chairman Yohe reported there were three permits issued during the month, four building permits and five zoning permits have been issued year to date.

Lycoming Regional Police Report

The Lycoming Regional Police Report for March included three Public Service – Assist Motorist; one Public Service – Assist Public; one Medical Ambulance Assist; one Traffic Accident on private property; one Traffic – Reckless Driver; and one Civil Dispute.

EMC Report:

Denny Buttorff, EMC reported that he attended the FEMA and PEMA Hazard Mitigation planning meeting. He said the operational plan from Little Pine Dam was supposed to be sent out months ago and was sent to Lycoming County but they need to determine who the plans get sent to.

Denny said that during the last FEMA meeting representatives discussed increasing the flash flood threshold.

Denny also discussed doing an exercise with emergency responders and township officials on flooding and forest fires in the Township that would assist with hazard mitigation training

Waterville Volunteer Fire Company:

Jim Capel of the Waterville Fire Company reported fourteen calls during the last month, eight calls were in Cummings Township, one in Brown Township, and one in McHenry Township, for a total of 169 volunteer man-hours.

Roadmaster's Report:

Chairman Yohe provided the following report for the month:

1. Cleaned up roads from winter
2. Spreader was picked up from Bradco
3. New bed was installed on the truck
4. Need to schedule the Spring Road Tour
5. Removed trees at the Park
6. Put down mulch at the Park
7. Obtained pricing on back-pack leaf blower
8. Met with Jed Welshans and the Dam Run Road Pipe Replacement Project may begin at the end of June

Solicitors' Report:

Chairman Yohe provided the Solicitor's report for last month, which included the following:

1. **Coleman Lippert:** A hearing has been scheduled for May 5, 2025.
2. **Sweigart Enforcement:** Mr. Bilbay was appointed Guardian of George Sweigart and has begun cleaning up the property.
3. **Solar and Wind Ordinances:** Under review by the Township.

4. **Burning Ordinance:** The Planning Commission scheduled a public meeting tomorrow evening to receive comments on the new burning ordinance and revisions to the RV permit ordinance.

Old Business:

Fire Hydrant Cost Estimates

Supervisor Rogers received the following estimates for the fire hydrant to be installed on Park Drive.

- (1) RE Myers Excavating – fire hydrant (including installation) \$10,031.18
- (2) Clinton Controls – control panel \$2,947.00
- (3) Charles Mowry - wiring \$250.00

Supervisor Rogers pointed out that the fire hydrant project is under the amount budgeted for the project.

Chairman Yohe made a motion to accept all three estimates provided for the purchase and installation of the fire hydrant on Park Drive; seconded by Supervisor Braddock, MCU.

New Business:

Jersey Shore Area YMCA Donation Request

Chairman Yohe moved to approve a donation of \$1,000.00 to the Jersey Shore Area YMCA; seconded by Supervisor Rogers, MCU.

Thompson Sewage Planning Module

Nate Hollick, PLS presented a sewage planning module on behalf of Connie Thompson who is planning to build a guest house on her property.

Mr. Hollick requested the Supervisors sign Component 1 of the Sewage Planning Module and stated as soon as DEP approves the planning module the property owner will be able to move forward with the project.

Chairman Yohe moved to sign Component 1 of the DEP Sewage Planning Module for the Thompson property; seconded by Supervisor Rogers, MCU.

Resolution 04-08-2025

The Supervisors explained that a security system is being installed at the Cummings Township Park and the Waterville Water Association property along Park Drive.

Resolution 04-08-2025 outlines the agreement between the Township and the Waterville Water Association to install conduit and wire from the main panel of the WWA building to the park pavilion and install a receptacle in the WWA building for the camera equipment. Resolution 04-08-2025 includes in part:

1. Cummings Township shall pay for the electrical work, including installation of conduit and camera system at the Cummings Township Park and Waterville Water Company.
2. Cummings Township shall pay for installation of security cameras and Wi-Fi for the Park and Waterville Water Association.
3. Cummings Township shall also complete all the excavation work needed for the project.
4. All costs for the security camera system and Wi-Fi shall be paid for by Cummings Township.

Chairman Yohe moved to approve Resolution 04-08-2025 as presented; seconded by Supervisor Braddock, MCU.

Eastern States 100

The Supervisors received a Request For Use of Roadways for the Eastern States Trail-Endurance Alliance from Jade Oakes. The event is scheduled for August 9, 2025 at the Little Pine State Park and surrounding state forests. The race follows portions of the Mid State Trail that crosses state and local roads within Cummings Township.

Chairman Yohe moved to approve the request upon verification that all terms and conditions for the event are the same as last year; seconded by Supervisor Rogers, MCU.

Correspondence: Donation request from Jersey Shore Area YMCA

Invoices

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

Adjournment

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

The meeting adjourned at 3:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene S. Macklem

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Secretary/Treasurer