Typed: June 26th, 2012

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Cass Township was held Thursday, May 31st 2012 at 6:30 PM at the Township Municipal Building, Duncott, Pa.

Present at this meeting were the following: Dee Kulpcavage, Margaret Doyle, Mike Sorokach, Joyce Cutler, Tina Skibiel, Robert Wentz, James Wentz, John Schumann, Bob Ryan, Paul Fesnock, and Joe Geles.

Chairman James D. Thomas called the meeting to order.

All recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.


Chief Anthony M. Kuklinski, Cass Township Police -- present.

Evelyn J. Bergan – Administrative Assistant, present.

The April 2012 Supervisor Meeting Minutes have been placed at each seat for review. Jim asked the audience to please read them and if there are any corrections, please bring them to the attention of the Board before adjournment. Jim asked for questions and/or comments. Hearing none, he then asked for a motion to approve the April 2012 Supervisor’s Meeting Minutes. John made the motion. Mike seconded. Motion passed.

Discussion from the Audience:

Jim states that tonight’s meeting will have a different forum – the audience discussion, as well as, questions and comments on the agenda will take place at this time (start of the meeting) and there will be no further comment from the audience for the rest of the meeting. He explains that at some point, he would like to return to the usual forum; however, during last month’s meeting, certain resident’s actions were argumentative and disruptive which interfered with the business of the meeting. Therefore, the Board members are in agreement to try conducting the meeting in this manner in an effort to alleviate negative behavior.

Please clearly state your name and address for the Board. If you do not, your question or comment will not be recorded in the minutes.

Jamie Wentz, E. Elk Lane – States that he recently bought a property on Schaeffer’s Hill and he’s experiencing an excess of water run-off coming down the road and onto the property - he would like to Township to address. He also added that he is a property owner of multiple properties throughout the Township; he would like it documented that he feels Chief Kuklinski’s remarks to him at last month’s meeting were derogatory. Specifically, the statement where the Chief addressed him as Mr. Wentz and told him if he does not like the rules / laws of the Township, he should move out.

Marge Doyle, Shady Lane – Asked if she had a question about something on tonight’s agenda, should she ask at next month’s meeting.
Robert Wentz, Low Road – Asked about rules and regulations for contractors doing work for the Township relating to workman’s comp coverage.

Jim asked if there were any other further questions or comments. Hearing none, he moved on to the agenda.

**Articles on the Agenda this month:**

**Advertise Amusement Tax Ordinance To Include Revenue Projections:** Jim explains that as discussed at last month’s meeting, Solicitor Ed Brennan has recommended the Board add revenue projections to the AMT Ordinance as a means of determining accurate tax collections. Jim asked for a motion to advertise the Amusement Tax Ordinance with additional revenue projections. Mike made the motion. Jim seconded. Motion passed.

**Advertise to Notify Township Residents of the Start of the Rental Housing Registry & Inspections as per the Ordinance:** Jim explains that last year, the Board passed Ordinance # 2011-09-02 requiring homeowners / renters / landlords to register their rental properties with the Township. Brian Canfield and Mike Kulecavage worked on compiling a partial list of rental homes in order for Benesch representatives to start inspections. Jim asked for a motion to advertise the Rental Housing Registry Ordinance # 2011-09-02 & Inspections. Mike made the motion. John seconded. Motion passed.

**Planning Commission:**

*All decisions are based on recommendations from the Planning Commission to the Board of Supervisors.*

**No May 2012 Meeting was held since there were no submissions.**

**Travel Plaza Plans** – It seems that all conditions have been met and the PC recommends the Board of Supervisors grant final approval. Jim asked for a motion to grant final approval of the Travel Plaza plans. John made the motion. Mike seconded. Motion passed.

**The next PC Meeting is scheduled for June 14th at 6:30pm – they have received submission for the Fanelli Trucking Expansion.**

**Treasurer’s Report:** Mike presented the April 2012 Treasurer’s Report. Jim asked for questions and comments. Hearing none, Jim made the motion to accept the April 2012 Treasurer’s Report and pay all outstanding bills as can be paid at this time. John seconded. Motion passed.

The Treasurer’s Reports are on file at the Township office for review upon request.


All Police Reports are on file in the Police Department for review upon request.

Please remove all abandon vehicles from your properties. The Police Department will continue to move forward with having them tagged and removed during the upcoming summer season.
Correspondence:

Young Lungs at Play / Angela Morgan – Jim explained that we received a letter regarding a non-profit organization that may provide tobacco-free signage for our playgrounds. He is asking for a motion to be authorized to speak with Angela Morgan to discuss the program and move forward with implementing a plan. Mike made the motion. John seconded. Motion passed.

Old / New Business:

Code Enforcement – Code Enforcement Officer Kyle Kehoe of Benesch continues to work with Cass Police Department on several code-related issues throughout the Township.

Jim runs through a summary of issues noted on the monthly Benesch Property Maintenance Report and urges residents & property owners to please cut their grass and maintain your properties; Code Enforcement Officers are out driving around the Township a few days a week checking on property maintenance issues and issuing violations if necessary.

FEMA / PEMA Hazardous Mitigation Program Update: John states that we are still working with government representatives regarding residual issues that were created by Tropical Storm Lee and Hurricane Irene – he adds that we will be receiving some funding for flood / storm damage.

Township Recycling Center – Please read the sign hanging at the site – it lists recyclable items as well as non-recyclable items.

Do NOT put non-recyclable items or garbage into the bins!!


ATTEST: James D. Thomas, Chairman
TIME MEETING ADJOURNED: 6:48 PM

ATTEST: C. Michael Kulpcavage, Vice-Chairman
TIME MEETING ADJOURNED: 6:48 PM

THE NEXT MONTHLY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF CASS TOWNSHIP WILL BE HELD ON Thursday, June 28th at 6:30 PM AT THE CASS TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING, DUNCOTT, PA.