Typed: January 29th, 2020

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Cass Township was held on Wednesday, December 18th, 2019 at the Township's Municipal Building, Duncott, PA.

Present at the meeting were: Mary Lou Bergan, John Lenick, Christine Helman, Rick Helman, Frank Angelo, Martin J. Cerullo, Theresa Cook, Mike Brinkash, Eric Eichenberg, Pete Ricigliano, Sarah Ricigliano, Rich Laychock, Annette Yaworsky, Bud Quandel, John Olenick, and Chris Ternowchek.

Brenda Helt calls the meeting to order.

All recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call of Officers:


Other attendance/absentees:

Donald G. Karpowich, Solicitor – present.

Evelyn J. Bergan, Secretary – present.

Richard C. Clink, Chief CTPD – present.

Chairperson Helt states that the minutes from the November 2019 BOS meeting have been placed at each seat. Helt makes a motion to dispense the reading of the minutes and to accept them as printed if there are no corrections or omissions. Brennan seconds. Motion passed. Roll Call: Unanimous Favorable Vote.

*Chairperson Helt opens the Public Hearing for O2U2, Inc.

*The record for this hearing is recorded and on file in the Township’s records.

Chairperson Helt makes a motion to close the hearing/record. Brennan seconds. Motion passed. Roll call: Unanimous Favorable Vote.

Chairperson Helt makes a motion to approve the Ordinance (amending the Cass Township Zoning Ordinance and the Official Zoning Map dated April 26th, 2012). Brennan seconds. Motion passed. Roll Call: Unanimous Favorable Vote.

Chairperson Helt calls for a discussion from audience; *Please state your name and address for the record.
Frank Angelo, High Road – asked the Solicitor if he heard anything from Mr. Brennan (Foster Township Solicitor) regarding cable in Foster Township. Attorney Karpowich responds yes, Foster Township has been negotiating with several cable service providers for (2) years; they don’t have a signed commitment from any one of them yet – but we did indicate to the Township that if they would find a provider for a larger service area, Cass Township would participate in the process.

John Olenick, Amanda Lane – states that he is in support of commerce (referring to Q2U2, Inc.) coming back into the area – it was Olenick’s and Laychock’s for many years.

Alyssa Cook, Mountain View Lane – addressed the Board with a letter requesting a zoning exemption or amendment for this year to once again raise market goats at her home for the Schuylkill County Fair and/or PA Farm Show. Alyssa is a member of the Blue Mountain 4H Livestock Club. Helt makes a motion to grant the request. Brennan seconds. Motion passed. Roll Call: Unanimous Favorable Vote.

Hearing nothing further, Helt closes the public discussion and moves onto the agenda items.


**Advertise the 2020 Auditor’s Meeting** – Helt makes a motion. Brennan seconds. Motion passed. Roll Call: Unanimous Favorable Vote. Helt announces that the re-org meeting will be January 6th and the Auditor’s meeting will be January 7th – both at 6:30 pm – and open to the public.

**Adopt the 2020 Tax Levy & Annual Budget** – Helt states that the taxes are staying the same – no increase – she makes a motion. Brennan seconds. Motion passed. Roll Call: Unanimous Favorable Vote.

**Vacancy – Auditor Position:** Helt explains that there is a vacancy and asks the audience members if anyone is interested. She asks Joseph Smulley if he is interested; she thought she saw his hand raised; he replies that he did not.

**Vacancy – Planning Commission Member:** Helt explains that there is a vacancy and asks the audience members if anyone is interested.

**Treasurer’s Reports:** Chairperson Helt states that both the public summary and the list of transactions for the month of November 2019 have been placed at each seat for review. She calls for a motion to accept both reports as printed and to pay all outstanding bills as can be paid at this time. Brennan seconds. Motion passed. Roll Call: Unanimous Favorable Vote. All Treasurer Reports are kept on file in the Township Office for review upon request.

**Planning Commission/Engineer’s Report – ARRO Consulting, Inc.** – Dave Walasavage of ARRO Consulting, Inc. is present this evening and provides a follow-up on behalf for the Planning Commission relating to Q2U2, Inc., Dollar General, and Cresswell-White plans.
Police Report: Chief Richard Clink read the report. Helt makes a motion to accept the police report as read. Brennan seconds. Motion passed. Roll Call: Unanimous Favorable Vote.

Road Foreman’s Report: Helt states that the report is placed at each seat and calls to accept it as printed. Brennan makes the motion. Helt seconds. Motion passed. Roll Call: Unanimous Favorable Vote.

Correspondence:

The Solicitor states that the Board held an executive session prior to the meeting this evening to discuss matters of personnel and litigation – and they will also have a work session after the meeting to discuss road projects.

Old/New Business:

Helt states that the Board discussed issues with the cable provider and are working on it.

Motion to Adjourn: With not further business, Helt makes a motion to adjourn. Brennan seconds. Motion passed. Roll Call: Unanimous Favorable Vote.

ATTEST: Brenda M. Helt, Chairperson
TIME MEETING ENDED: 7:22PM

ATTEST: Elvin E. Brennan Jr., Vice-Chairperson
TIME MEETING ENDED: 7:22PM

The next monthly meeting of the Cass Township Board of Supervisors will be held on Wednesday, January 29th, 2020 at 6:30pm at the Municipal Building, Duncott, PA.