

Cecil Township Board of Supervisors Meeting  
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7:00 PM

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The Monday, July 6, 2015, Board of Supervisors' Regular Monthly Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Board Chairman Thomas Casciola.

Members in attendance included:

- Supervisor Thomas Casciola
- Supervisor Cindy Fisher
- Supervisor Andrew Schrader
- Supervisor Elizabeth Cowden
- Supervisor D. J. Johnson

In addition:

- Donald A. Gennuso, Township Manager
- Police Chief Shawn Bukovinsky
- Bruce Bosle, Director of Zoning
- Bill Bottorff, Director of Public Works
- Attorney Robert McTiernan for Township Solicitor, Christopher Voltz
- Engineer Dan Deiseroth of The Gateway Engineers
- 54 Township Residents

**At this time, Chairman Casciola announced the agenda change; noting comments on the agenda items will remain at the beginning; however, any general comments and/or questions will be after Old Business.**

**CITIZENS' COMMENTS:**

Comments will be taken at this time for any item to be voted on by the Board that appears on the agenda. General Township comments or questions will be addressed after Board of Supervisors' Discussion of Old Business. **PLEASE STEP TO THE MICROPHONE AND STATE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS FOR THE RECORD.**

Resident Anna Coen addressed the Board and requested they reject the vote of the Zoning Board regarding the Crown Castle Communication Tower (#117-2015, & #118-2015). Chairman Casciola addressed her request noting the items are tabled. Bruce Bosle noted an extension agreement was received from Crown Castle.

**CITIZENS' COMMENTS: (continued)**

Resident Dennis Sluciak of 47 Grudevich Road addressed the Board regarding the Crown Castle Communication Tower and an expected ruling date. Supervisor Fisher addressed his comment noting by the next meeting or the September meeting. Mr. Sluciak noted he has spoken with representatives from West Penn Power regarding the fall zones and the high tension power lines and noted they do not approve; however, they will not object. There was discussion regarding the power lines and the high pressure gas line.

Resident Frank Egizio of 24 Sycamore Street addressed the Board regarding item #119-2015 and the proposed construction access road and noted a spring is running through the valley. Engineer Dan Deiseroth confirmed the spring (a watercourse) is already piped through the fire hall parking lot. He noted the June 18 Planning Commission meeting attended by mostly residents from Muse and the twenty-nine (29) recommendations which included roadway access to and from the school.

Resident Aimee Rowland of 52 Sycamore Street addressed the Board regarding item #119-2015 and inquired as to what issues of the twenty-nine (29) recommendations have been addressed. Chairman Casciola noted the item on the agenda is for discussion regarding alternate routes to access the school and has nothing to do with the twenty-nine (29) items. Ms. Rowland also noted the issue of widening the road that would impact the existing post office and the resident behind the post office.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- The Cecil Township Historical Society will meet on **the third Wednesday**, July 15, 2015, at 7:00 PM in the meeting room of the Cecil Township Municipal Building.
- Cecil Carnival – August 3 through August 8.
- [Free Outdoor Concert featuring The Stonehorse Country Band](#) – Saturday, August 15, 2015 – Muse VFD parking lot – Rain or Shine – Bring the whole family.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

**#113-2015 MOTION AND A SECOND TO APPROVE THE RELEASE OF FUNDS RELATED TO THE INSTALLATION OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS FOR OVERLOOK AT SOUTHPOINTE PHASE 2 FROM \$78,774.42 TO \$77,635.92, A TOTAL REDUCTION OF \$1,138.50, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE TOWNSHIP ENGINEER.  
ALL FIVE (5) BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE VOTED AYE.**

**RESOLUTIONS: (continued)**

**#114-2015 MOTION AND A SECOND TO APPROVE THE RELEASE OF FUNDS RELATED TO THE INSTALLATION OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS FOR OVERLOOK AT SOUTHPOINTE PHASE 3 FROM \$330,456.45 TO \$299,445.60, A TOTAL REDUCTION OF \$31,010.85, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE TOWNSHIP ENGINEER.**

**ALL FIVE (5) BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE VOTED AYE.**

**#115-2015 MOTION AND A SECOND TO APPROVE SUBDIVISION PLAN APPLICATION #2015-0011, RUSSMAN PLAN OF LOTS NO. 2, LOCATION PROFIO ROAD, R-1 ZONING DISTRICT, APPLICANT: LUKE RUSSMAN, WITH THE CONDITION THAT THE SEWAGE PLANNING MODULE IS APPROVED.**

*Dan Deiseroth noted this is a simple subdivision. Bruce Bosle noted a sewage planning module is being addressed and is in the hands of the DEP.*

**ALL FIVE (5) BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE VOTED AYE.**

**#116-2015 MOTION AND A SECOND TO TABLE, PER THE EXTENSION AGREEMENT, THE CONDITIONAL USE APPLICATION #2014-0027, CROWN CASTLE COMMUNICATION TOWER, LOCATION 78 LEWICKI ROAD, C-1 ZONING DISTRICT, APPLICANT: CROWN CASTLE.**

**ALL FIVE (5) BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE VOTED AYE.**

**#117-2015 MOTION AND A SECOND TO TABLE, PER THE EXTENSION AGREEMENT, THE SUBDIVISION PLAN APPLICATION #2014-0028, CROWN CASTLE COMMUNICATION TOWER, LOCATION 78 LEWICKI ROAD, APPLICANT: CROWN CASTLE.**

**ALL FIVE (5) BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE VOTED AYE.**

**#118-2015 MOTION AND A SECOND TO TABLE, PER THE EXTENSION AGREEMENT, THE SITE PLAN/LAND DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION #2014-0029, CROWN CASTLE COMMUNICATION TOWER, LOCATION 78 LEWICKI ROAD, APPLICANT: CROWN CASTLE.**

**ALL FIVE (5) BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE VOTED AYE.**

**DISCUSS MUSE SCHOOL ACCESS.**

*Regarding an alternate access road to the proposed school off a state road*

- *Property owned by ABB (Muse slate dump) off Muse-Bishop Road and the test wells*
- *Industrial property owned by the Kosky family with current access off Burnside Road – Kosky would grant a right-a-way at no cost and participate in the development of a paved road access off Muse Bishop Road for the school to use*
- *Possibly the start of Eminent Domain*
  - *Public purpose*
- *Additional discussion regarding an emergency/secondary access in the back of the proposed school out to BurnsideRoad*
- *Proposed growth*
- *The site distance at the top of Foster Wallace Hill off Muse-Bishop Road*

**RESOLUTIONS: (continued)**

**#119-2015 MOTION AND A SECOND TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR TO APPROACH BOTH PROPERTY OWNERS REGARDING AN ALTERNATE ACCESS ROAD TO MUSE SCHOOL.**

**ALL FIVE (5) BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE VOTED AYE.**

**#127-2015 MOTION AND A SECOND TO AUTHORIZE DAN DEISEROTH TO MEET WITH THE SCHOOL DISTRICT REGARDING AN ALTERNATE ACCESS ROAD TO MUSE SCHOOL.**

**ALL FIVE (5) BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE VOTED AYE.**

**#120-2015 MOTION AND A SECOND TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWNSHIP ENGINEER TO COMPLETE A GEOTECHNICAL INVESTIGATION OF THE LANDSLIDE AREA ALONG SOUTHPOINTE BOULEVARD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,400.**

*Dan Deiseroth explained the situation noting the fill is creeping toward the lake.*

**ALL FIVE (5) BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE VOTED AYE.**

**#121-2015 MOTION AND A SECOND TO AWARD THE STORM SEWER AND STORMWATER MANAGEMENT CONVERSION WORK IN WINDSOR WOODS PHASE 3 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$24,000 TO STEWART CONTRACTING.**

*Dan Deiseroth noted this cost is lower than expected.*

**ALL FIVE (5) BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE VOTED AYE.**

**#122-2015 MOTION AND A SECOND TO AUTHORIZE THE PROMOTIONAL PROCESS FOR THE RANK OF POLICE SERGEANT IN THE CECIL TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT. THE POSITION WAS BUDGETED IN THE 2015 BUDGET.**

*Chief Bukovinsky explained the process to test outside.*

**ALL FIVE (5) BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE VOTED AYE.**

**#123-2015 MOTION AND A SECOND TO APPROVE \$1,680 FOR THE PURCHASE OF PROTECTIVE BUMPERS FOR THE FRONT OF THE TWO NEW POLICE FORD EXPLORERS.**

*Supervisor Johnson explained the advantage of these protective bumpers and noted they are transferrable to other Explorers.*

**ALL FIVE (5) BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE VOTED AYE.**

**#124-2015 MOTION AND A SECOND TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER MARK WHALEN.**

**ALL FIVE (5) BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE VOTED AYE.**

**#128-2015 MOTION AND A SECOND TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWNSHIP MANAGER TO ADVERTISE FOR THE POSITION OF CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER.**

**ALL FIVE (5) BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE VOTED AYE.**

**RESOLUTIONS: (continued)**

**#125-2015 MOTION AND A SECOND TO ACCEPT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF MONDAY, JUNE 1, 2015.  
ALL FIVE (5) BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE VOTED AYE.**

**#126-2015 MOTION AND A SECOND TO APPROVE THE GENERAL FUND INVOICES FROM JUNE 1 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2015.  
FOUR (4) OF THE FIVE BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE VOTED AYE.  
SUPERVISOR COWDEN VOTED NO.**

*AT THIS TIME, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS BILL BOTTORFF ADDRESSED THE BOARD AND GAVE AN UPDATE ON THE STATUS OF THE PLAYGROUND PROJECT NOTING THAT IN SPITE OF THE RAIN, THEY ARE ON SCHEDULE; THE START OF THE PROJECT WAS JUNE 16. HE NOTED THERE IS A TWO (2) WEEK LEAD TIME ON THE BENCHES AND POSSIBLY THE BOARD WOULD WANT TO CONSIDER A RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY. ADDITIONALLY, HE UPDATED THE BOARD REGARDING THE INLET STATUS ON FAWCETT CHURCH ROAD AND CONTACTING THE PROPERTY OWNER TO GAIN PERMISSION TO ENTER ONTO THE PROPERTY AND OPEN THE PIPE ALL THE WAY THROUGH.*

**#129-2015 MOTION AND A SECOND TO AUTHORIZE \$4,500 FOR THE PURCHASE OF PARK BENCHES, SWING SEATS, AND LANDING PADS.  
ALL FIVE (5) BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE VOTED AYE.**

*AT THIS TIME, JOE SITES UPDATED THE BOARD REGARDING KING & FAWCETT CHURCH ROADS PAVING AND ALSO THE PROJECT ON COLEMAN ROAD NOTING THE DETOUR IS IN PLACE AND ANTICIPATED COMPLETION COULD BE TWO (2) TO TWO-HALF (2-1/2) MONTHS.  
SUPERVISOR COWDEN INQUIRED AS TO THE STATUS OF ROSE AVENUE SITUATION. DON GENNUSO CONFIRMED THAT ROSE AVENUE WILL REMAIN CLOSED.*

*AT THIS TIME, BRUCE BOSLE NOTED A REQUEST FROM THE ARCHITECT FOR MUSE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IF A SPECIAL MEETING COULD BE HELD REGARDING A REVIEW OF THE SITE PLAN FOR THE PROPOSED SCHOOL.*

**#130-2015 MOTION AND A SECOND TO SET THURSDAY, JULY 23, 2015, AT 7:00 PM FOR A SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING REGARDING THE SITE PLAN FOR THE PROPOSED MUSE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.  
ALL FIVE (5) BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE VOTED AYE.**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

*There was discussion regarding homes in the township that are in disrepair and/or abandoned. Supervisor Cowden inquired if there was funding available to go after the property owners. Chairman Casciola noted if the property owner is in agreement to raze the property the process would be easy; however, if the Township went ahead and did it, there would be a lien on the property. Supervisor Fisher suggested the information and the addresses of the properties be called into the municipal office and be put on a list.*

*Justin Ross, from the audience, mentioned the condition of the Sadowski and Klements property and also the need to have that intersection re-worked. Chairman Casciola elaborated on the previous judgment (\$22,500) against Klements that was awarded. Mr. Bosle noted that he has been approached by two businesses that may be interested in purchasing those two properties. Chief Bill Cass of Lawrence VFC inquired of any plans to widen Morganza Road. Chairman Casciola addressed his inquiry.*

**#131-2015 MOTION AND A SECOND TO AUTHORIZE THE SOLICITOR TO EXECUTE, ON BEHALF OF THE TOWNSHIP, THE PREVIOUS JUDGEMENT ON KLEMENTS.  
ALL FIVE (5) BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE VOTED AYE.**

*At this time, Chairman Casciola mentioned a leak in one of the skylights in the meeting room and stress cracks on the dome. Additionally, he mentioned the space between the two bulk heads that was constructed for a life size mural of the Second Continental Congress.*

*Supervisor Cowden requested:*

- *Obtaining prices on LED lights for the park and additionally she noted the times the lights remain on into the morning hours. There was discussion regarding obtaining a digital timer; Mr. Gennuso was directed to obtain prices on LED lights.*
- *Camera in the lobby*
  - *There was discussion regarding having it separate from the Police Department and obtaining a separate DVR*
    - *The Solicitor will look into the statute*

*There was discussion regarding the camera in the meeting room.*

**#132-2015 MOTION AND A SECOND TO INSTALL A SECURITY CAMERA IN THE LOBBY AND A DVR SEPARATE FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, AT A COST UP TO \$3,500.  
ALL FIVE (5) BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE VOTED AYE.**

*There was discussion regarding the Township's website.*

**#133-2015 MOTION AND A SECOND TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL FROM GovOffice AT A COST OF \$3,500 PER YEAR TO MAINTAIN THE TOWNSHIP'S WEBSITE.  
FOUR (4) OF THE FIVE BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE VOTED AYE.  
SUPERVISOR COWDEN ABSTAINED.**

**NEW BUSINESS: (continued)**

*Supervisor Fisher inquired as to the status of the Comprehensive Plan. Bruce Bosle addressed her inquiry noting if any additional individuals have volunteered. Supervisor Fisher directed Mr. Bosle to contact Olsen Engineering and get the process started. Chairman Casciola noted the names of the volunteers will be named at the August monthly meeting.*

*Resident Joe Petito of 12 Sunset Drive addressed the Board regarding the status of the repairs to Reissing Road where it is sinking. Don Gennuso addressed his inquiry noting that PennDOT was contacted and he will get Representative Ortitay involved. Additionally, he inquired if the Board had any knowledge of Greenway Sojourn selling alcohol to the cyclists when the Girl Scouts were in the park for their day camp. Supervisor Fisher stated she would reach out to the Montour Trail Council.*

*Resident Ed Badia addressed the Board and referenced the problem homes in Muse and the cat issue. He inquired if there has been a change and if ACO only takes care of dogs. Chairman Casciola replied there has been no change; ACO takes care of dogs and cats and that Kym Secreet would have not said otherwise.*

*Mr. Badia again inquired as to the FSA and HSA accounts and noted that he was advised by Mr. Gennuso that the information is privileged. At this time, Chairman Casciola, in an attempt to put this inquiry to rest, made a motion to switch the program from a HSA to a FSA.*

**MOTION BY TOM CASCIOLA TO SWITCH FROM A HSA PROGRAM TO A FSA PROGRAM.  
THERE WAS NO SECOND  
THE MOTION DIES FOR LACK OF A SECOND**

*Supervisor Fisher explained the results of the information supplied to them by the Solicitor –  
It would not be in the best interest of the Township to switch because it would not be cost effective and the Township would lose its grandfather status under the Affordable Care Act.*

*Attorney McTiernan reiterated the information what Supervisor Fisher shared and noted that the general principle (concept) is not privileged but when you get into the details of how it impacts a particular person's coverage, it is privileged. There was discussion regarding sharing the information provided.*

*At this time Dan Deiseroth addressed the Board and presented the two options for the improvements to the intersection of Klinger and McConnell Roads:*

*Option #1: Obtain the right-a-way from Fran Resetar*

*Option #2: Improve the intersection further – T intersection – involving utility relocation*

*Bill Bottorff noted Option #1 saves time and is less costly*

*Residents Jim Passieu and John Teyssier noted from the audience that Option #1 would be better.*

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**NEW BUSINESS: (continued)**

**#134-2015 MOTION AND A SECOND TO CHOOSE OPTION #1 AS A MEANS OF IMPROVING THE INTERSECTION OF KLINGER AND McCONNELL ROADS.  
ALL FIVE (5) BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE VOTED AYE.**

**At this time, 9:25 PM, the Board went into an Executive Session regarding a lawsuit issue.**

**The Board returned from the Executive Session at 9:47 PM.**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned by Chairman Casciola at 9:47 PM.