

MINUTES
Cecil Township Board of Supervisors Meeting
May 3, 2021

Call to Order:

The Monday, May 3, 2021, Board of Supervisors' Regular Monthly Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Board Chairperson Supervisor Cindy Fisher.

Members in attendance included:

- Supervisor Cindy Fisher
- Supervisor Frank Egizio
- Supervisor Tom Casciola
- Supervisor Eric Sivavec
- Supervisor Ron Fleeher

In addition:

- Donald A. Gennuso, Township Manager
- Jacque King, Planning Director/Assistant Township Manager
- Chief of Police Shawn Bukovinsky
- Engineer Dan Deiseroth of The Gateway Engineers
- Attorney Gretchen Moore, Township Solicitor
- 21 Residents

AT THIS TIME, CHAIRPERSON FISHER ANNOUNCED THE BOARD HELD AN EXECUTIVE SESSION CONFERENCE CALL ON THURSDAY, APRIL 22, TO DISCUSS ATTORNEY/CLIENT PRIVILEGED INFORMATION, SPECIFICALLY LITIGATION.

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 Tom Cronin of Cancilla Drive addressed the Board regarding the Rose Park gate (lack of it), a traffic study, and proposed 3-way stop signs. Engineer Dan Deiseroth noted there was no traffic study done and Don Gennuso stated there was a traffic evaluation of the intersection done by Mr. Deiseroth. Dan Deiseroth explained the evaluation that was made at Cancilla and Rosewood. There was discussion regarding this item with Mr. Cronin making a case for not installing the stop signs and keeping the gate closed. Mr. Cronin provided a Traffic Study Observations by the residents hand out to the Board. There was continued discussion. Supervisor Fisher stated Dan Deiseroth is working with the homeowner to come to an agreement. Mr. Cronin provided another hand out (Rose Avenue Barrier Proposal) regarding the stop signs and why he is against it. Dan Deiseroth explained why 3 stop signs are warranted. Supervisor Fisher noted that complaints were received from residents at the intersections regarding motor vehicle accidents.

Citizens' Comments: (continued)

Additionally, Supervisor Fisher noted there are multiple scenarios to consider. Mr. Cronin provided a third hand out to the Board regarding an electronic gate. At this time, Supervisor Fisher requested this item be addressed at the end of the meeting.

TO CECIL TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS:

The Cecil Township Board of Supervisors will hold their monthly meeting on Monday, May 3, 2021. The Meeting Agenda will be available on our website www.ceciltownship-pa.gov prior to the meeting. This meeting is open to the public. A touchless thermometer will provide your temperature when entering the building and remind everyone that masks must be worn at all times. Seating is preset to social distancing requirements and should not be moved by attendees for any reason.

If you are uncomfortable attending the meeting in person, we will stream the meeting live at 7:00 pm on our YouTube Channel: Cecil Township PA. The meeting agenda will be available prior to the meeting and comments about agenda items can be made via email: comments@ceciltownship.com

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At this time, Supervisor Fisher read through the Announcements.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Touch-A-Truck will be held on Saturday, May 15, 2021, from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm.

Information will be posted on our website and on the Parks and Recreation Facebook page.

Blood Drive, Saturday, May 15, 2021, from 8:30 am to 1:30 pm sponsored by Cecil VFC #3 at the firehall at 3351 Millers Run Road. Call 412-209-7000 to make an appointment.

The Cecil Township Historical Society will meet on Wednesday, May 19, 2021, at 7:00 pm in the municipal building. Everyone entering the Municipal Building will be required to wear a properly fitting mask at all times, and contactless temperature scans will be taken at the front door.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: (continued)

Jordan Tax Service will be at the Cecil Township Municipal Building to collect property taxes on the following dates and times:

- **Wednesday, May 19, from 9:00 am to Noon**
- **Monday, May 24, from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm**
- **Friday, May 28, from 9:00 am to Noon**

The Municipal Offices will be closed on Monday, May 31, 2021, in observance of the Memorial Day holiday. Normal business hours will resume at 8:00 am on Tuesday, June 1, 2021.

RESOLUTIONS:

#82-2021 MOTION AND A SECOND TO APPROVE APPLICATION #2021-0005, FOR THE 275 TECHNOLOGY DRIVE PARKING ADDITION SITE PLAN, CONTINGENT UPON ADDRESSING COMMENTS FROM THE TOWNSHIP ENGINEER'S LETTER DATED APRIL 14, 2021. LOCATION: 275 TECHNOLOGY DRIVE, CANONSBURG, SD SPECIAL DEVELOPMENT ZONING DISTRICT, APPLICANT: 275 TECH FEE, LLC. THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDED APPROVAL WITH THE CONTINGENCY ON APRIL 15, 2021.

Dan Deiseroth addressed this item noting it is to bring the parking lot up to standard. Mr. Deiseroth noted all is in order. Supervisor Casciola requested, that in the future, the name of the business be listed. Supervisor Sivavec requested what contingencies were listed. Dan Deiseroth addressed his inquiry.

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

RESOLUTIONS: (continued)

#83-2021 MOTION AND A SECOND TO APPROVE APPLICATION #2021-0006, FOR THE TRADITIONS OF AMERICA PHASES 6 AND 7 SUBDIVISION PLAN, CONTINGENT UPON ADDRESSING COMMENTS FROM THE TOWNSHIP ENGINEER'S LETTER DATED APRIL 14, 2021. LOCATION: HAHN ROAD, CANONSBURG, R-2 MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICT, APPLICANT: TOA CECIL, LLC. THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDED APPROVAL WITH THE CONTINGENCY ON APRIL 15, 2021 AND PENDING THE ADDITION OF THREE (3) PARKING SPACES IN THE PHASE 7 CUL-DE-SAC AND GATEWAY ENGINEER'S LETTER DATED MAY 3, 2021.

Grant Shiring from PVE, LLC, representing Traditions of America, addressed this item. Supervisor Fisher inquired as to the issuance of Occupancy Permits for the residents. Mr. Shiring noted there have been issues and it is a temporary delay. Supervisor Fleeher made inquiry regarding the overflow parking. Mr. Shiring responded there have been additional spaces added. Supervisor Sivavec noted the short time between the issuance of letters to the Planning Commission for recommendation approval. Dan Deiseroth addressed his comment. Supervisor Casciola inquired about the parallel parking spaces. Mr. Shiring addressed his inquiry.

FOUR (4) OF THE FIVE (5) BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE VOTED AYE.

SUPERVISOR FLEEHER VOTED NO.

MOTION PASSED WITH THE MAJORITY OF THE BOARD MEMBERS VOTING AYE.

#84-2021 MOTION AND A SECOND TO APPROVE THE FULL RELEASE OF FINANCIAL SECURITY POSTED FOR THE INSTALLATION OF PRIVATE IMPROVEMENTS FOR PDV PROPERTIES CORPORATION, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,896.80, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE TOWNSHIP ENGINEER.

Dan Deiseroth addressed this item noting it is the parking lot area affiliated with Winkle's Pit Stop.

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

#85-2021 MOTION AND A SECOND TO APPROVE THE 1ST RELEASE OF FINANCIAL SECURITY POSTED FOR THE INSTALLATION OF PUBLIC AND PRIVATE IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE SANCTUARY FROM \$281,004.90 TO \$184,631.90, A TOTAL REDUCTION OF \$96,373.00, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE TOWNSHIP ENGINEER.

Dan Deiseroth addressed this item.

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

#86-2021 MOTION AND A SECOND TO APPROVE CHANGE ORDER #1, CHANGE ORDER #2, AND APPLICATION FOR PAYMENT NO. 2 AND FINAL FOR THE WORK COMPLETED BY KUKURIN CONTRACTING, INC., FOR THE CECIL TOWNSHIP PARK BRIDGE REPLACEMENTS PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$17,117.38.

Dan Deiseroth addressed this item.

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

RESOLUTIONS: (continued)

#87-2021 CONSIDER THE INSTALLATION OF A THREE-WAY STOP SIGN AT THE INTERSECTION OF ROSE AVENUE AND CANCELLA DRIVE.

At this time, Chairperson Cindy Fisher requested this item be tabled by the Board until the end of the meeting after a brief Executive Session.

#88-2021 BY A GENERAL CONSENSUS OF THE BOARD TO SET UP A WORKSHOP MEETING ON MONDAY, MAY 24, 2021, AT 7:00 PM TO DISCUSS THE PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING PROJECT AND THE REPAIR OF CUMER ROAD.

Dan Deiseroth addressed this item. This workshop is with the Board of Supervisors and Dan Deiseroth.

#89-2021 MOTION AND A SECOND TO APPROVE PLAYGROUND SURFACING MATERIAL FOR THE ADA SWING IN CECIL PARK AT AN INSTALLED COST OF \$20,688 FROM PLAY AND PARK STRUCTURES.

Chairperson Fisher addressed this item noting the swing was obtained by a grant through Representative Jason Ortity's office and she explained the need to modify the safe surface under the swing and also an extension to the current swing structure. These funds will come out of the Capital Parks Fund.

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

#90-2021 MOTION AND A SECOND TO APPROVE THE INSTALLATION OF CORTEN GUIDE RAIL AT THE CECIL PARK PARKING LOT AT A COST OF \$6,500 TO INTERSTATE ENTERPRISES AND ALSO \$1,425 TO STEEL CITY BLASTING TO BLAST THE BRIDGE AT THE PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING.

Chairperson Fisher addressed this item.

Supervisor Sivavec inquired about the bridge in McDonald that was torn down and the installation of a walking bridge.

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

#91-2021 MOTION AND A SECOND TO APPROVE THE PAVING OF CECIL PARK PARKING LOT TO BE ADDED TO THE ANNUAL PAVING PROGRAM.

Don Gennuso addressed this item.

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

#92-2021 MOTION AND A SECOND TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWNSHIP MANAGER TO ADVERTISE FOR A LABORER POSITION IN THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Chairperson Fisher addressed this item noting this was a previously budgeted item.

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

RESOLUTIONS: (continued)

#93-2021 MOTION AND A SECOND TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF TWO (2) F550 DUMP TRUCKS FOR THE 2022 MODEL YEAR. DUE TO NATIONAL SHORTAGES, THE EQUIPMENT IS NOT EXPECTED TO ARRIVE UNTIL SEPTEMBER OF 2022.

Chairperson Fisher addressed this item noting it was previously budgeted. Supervisor Sivavec inquired as to the cost. Don Gennuso noted, due to the current automobile manufacturers situation, there was no firm price; however, the best price will be obtained through COSTARS or SHACOG and this item will come before the Board for approval once a cost is received.

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

#94-2021 MOTION AND A SECOND TO APPROVE A \$2,000 DONATION TO THE MUSE FIREWORKS DISPLAY SCHEDULED FOR JULY 2, 2021.

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

#95-2021 MOTION AND A SECOND TO APPROVE THE APPEAL OF THE SOUTHPOINTE GOLF COURSE DECISION.

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

#96-2021 MOTION AND A SECOND TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWNSHIP MANAGER TO SECURE PRICING AND PURCHASE A NEW PHONE SYSTEM FOR THE TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING.

Don Gennuso addressed this item noting the failing condition of the current phone system and the cost is expected between \$12,000 and \$20,000; he added that he requires three bids. The costs will come out of the Capital Expenditures Fund.

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

#97-2021 MOTION AND A SECOND TO APPROVE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES FROM THE MONDAY, APRIL 5, 2021, REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING.

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

#98-2021 MOTION AND A SECOND TO APPROVE THE GENERAL FUND INVOICES FROM APRIL 1 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2021.

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

NEW BUSINESS:

Supervisor Sivavec thanked Jacque King and the Parks and Recreation Board for the successful Fishing Derby event that was held this past Saturday. Additionally, he acknowledged Range Resources for their donations of \$1,500 to have the creek stocked with fish and \$400 for food. Supervisor Fleeher noted every child caught a fish and there were a lot of prizes awarded and each child got a medal. Additionally, he thanked the Public Works Department for finishing the bridges and getting the park in good shape.

NEW BUSINESS: (continued)

Supervisor Sivavec mentioned that he was approached with the possibility of a military statue in the area of the round-about on Morganza Road through fundraising efforts of the National Cemetery of the Alleghenies. He was directed to contact PennDOT through Representative Ortity's office for approval.

Supervisor Egizio noted a published article in the Township News Magazine regarding federal funding (CARES Act) soon available to manage COVID impacts. He added the funds will go directly to the townships for their projects. He noted Cecil Township is slated to get \$1,209,623.00 that must be spent by December 31, 2024. Supervisor Egizio suggested some of the funds be appropriated for the new Public Works building.

OLD BUSINESS:

Discuss the Muse Post Office:

Supervisor Fisher addressed the comments on social media regarding the Muse Post Office going into the All Ways Safe building. She clarified those comments and stated that she confirmed with Dave Wolfe of the United States Postal Service that active negotiations are in the works for the post office to go in the bottom of the volunteer fire company building in Muse. She added these negotiations are at the top of the list to get the post office back in Muse.

Discuss PA Turnpike Construction Violations:

Supervisor Fisher stated the Township Solicitor, Supervisors Fleeher, Sivavec, and herself met with members of the PA Turnpike regarding continued numerous dust and noise complaints. She noted the Turnpike Commission provided a plan to follow the existing agreement regarding the dust and noise. There is a follow up call scheduled for this Friday.

AT THIS TIME (8:00 PM) CHAIRPERSON FISHER REQUESTED A BRIEF EXECUTIVE SESSION.

AT THIS TIME (8:22 PM) THE BOARD RETURNED FROM THE EXECUTIVE SESSION. CHAIRPERSON FISHER NOTED THE EXECUTIVE SESSION WAS TO DISCUSS ATTORNEY/CLIENT PRIVILEGED INFORMATION.

**#87-2021 MOTION AND A SECOND TO APPROVE THE INSTALLATION OF A THREE-WAY STOP SIGN AT THE INTERSECTION OF ROSE AVENUE AND CANCELLA DRIVE.
FOUR (4) OF THE FIVE (5) BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE VOTED AYE.
SUPERVISOR SIVAVEC VOTED NO.
MOTION PASSED WITH THE MAJORITY OF THE BOARD MEMBERS VOTING AYE.**

CITIZENS' COMMENTS:

Resident Ken Strain of 422 Sir James Drive addressed the Board and inquired about the Saving the Fire Departments signs in the Township. Supervisor Fisher addressed his inquiry.

Resident Kara Shirdon of 58 North DePaoli Road addressed the Board regarding:

- Who the contact at the municipal building would be regarding residents taking care of their yards and other ordinance violations. It was confirmed that it is the Code Enforcement Officer.
- The intersection at Valleyview and Lexington Drives and the 2-way stop sign. Don Gennuso stated there was a study done and it did not warrant any additional stop signs.
- The paving of roads and disseminated information of the plan regarding what roads are on a list. Her inquiry was addressed by the Board and Dan Deiseroth.
- Timing of Muse Post Office. Supervisor Fisher noted hopefully by the end of this year.
- Status of the Ridgewood Drive bridge. Supervisor Fisher noted it has been put out to bid.
- The COVID Funding and if Broadband internet could be part of the funding.

Resident Tom Cronin of Cancilla Drive addressed the Board regarding the Cecil Township sign coming out of Burnside Road and obstructing sight distance on the southbound side of SR980 and recommending removing the sign. Additionally, Mr. Cronin complimented the condition of the roads in Cecil Township. Mr. Cronin inquired about the status of closing Rose Avenue. His inquiry was addressed by Supervisor Fisher noting that Dan Deiseroth is going to speak to the homeowner again regarding options and suggestions to come to a solution and avoid going to court. She added that it will be addressed at the June meeting.

At this time, Mr. Cronin noted the accomplishments of Canon McMillan sophomore Ethan Bukovinsky who was chosen to represent the Western Chapter in the FBINAA (FBI National Academy Associates) in their Youth Leadership Program. Supervisor Fisher asked Chief Bukovinsky if Ethan would be willing to attend the June meeting to be recognized by the Board.

Resident Linda Cronin addressed the Board regarding the dispute of the Rose Avenue road closure. Supervisor Fisher reiterated her request to give it one month and also that the new homeowner will have to abide by any new agreement. Mrs. Cronin noted she was against the stop sign.

Resident Kevin Camerson of 15 Swihart Road addressed the Board regarding mud that was covering Muse-Bishop Road last Friday. Chief Bukovinsky addressed his inquiry.

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned by Madam Chairperson Cindy Fisher at 8:54 pm.