

*Cummings Township Supervisors
Regular Meeting Minutes
January 13, 2009*

The regular monthly meeting of the Cummings Township Supervisors was called to order by Chair Joyce Raesner at 7:00 PM with Supervisors Joyce Raesner and Ron Bierly present. Secretary/Treasurer Will Wolfe was also in attendance.

From the public Walt Braddock, Tammy and Barry Barto were present.

Motion was made by Joyce Raesner and seconded by Ron Bierly approving the Minutes of December 2nd 2008 as presented. MC

Public Participation:

In response to the Township's mailing asking for people to serve the Township in the position of an Auditor, Tammy and Barry Barto asked the Supervisors for more information on the Auditor position. It was explained that all three positions, 2 year, 4 year and 6 year terms need filled. If interested in being on the ballot in May, it is necessary to acquire a petition, by visiting Voter Services or by mail from Sandra Adams (327-2267) after February 12th and getting a minimum of 15 signatures.

Barry asked the question, just what does an Auditor do? Not having anyone present who has been an Auditor, Joyce, Ron and Will attempted to describe the interworkings of an Auditor's job.

Tammy asked is it possible or legal to be elected while holding the position of Minority Inspector of Elections? Will replied that he would contact PSATS for an answer.

Motion was made by Joyce Raesner and seconded by Ron Bierly appointing Barry Barto to a two (2) year term Auditor ending December 31, 2009. MC

Joyce Raesner brought those present up to date on the Verizon DSL (high speed internet) situation. The facts as she knows them are: (a) Verizon has until 2015 to bring DSL into Cummings Township unless fifty (50) customers or 25% of the retail access lines fill out Verizon's Bona Fide Retail Request Form (BFRR) and commit to subscribing to Verizon's DSL for a one (1) year period. BFRR forms are available from Joyce or the Township Secretary. (b) Comcast will not come into the Waterville area as long as there is another bona fide cable system in that area.

The Barto's asked the Supervisors what is the Township's plan for the mowing of the park and cemetery for the coming season. Joyce reported that as long as the price is less than \$ 4000.00 a year the Township is not obligated to put the job up for bid. Barry was told the Township is satisfied with the mowing and the job is his till further notice.

Township Reports:

The following is the Municipal Zoning Permit Officer's (M.P.O.) report for the prior month.

Three (3) Zoning permits have been issued since the December meeting and are as follows:

- 1. To Earl Beam for a 10'x10' storage shed. A Certificate of Occupancy for the shed has also been issued.*
- 2. To Robert Garrett for a 38'x80' seasonal log home.*
- 3. To Jeff Kreger for a business sign.*

Will reported to the Supervisors that the Clair Young variance request before the Zoning Hearing Board ended in a no decision with further research needed by the Board and their Solicitor. Another hearing will be scheduled for sometime in January.

Will was questioned if the camper been removed from the lot in Ramsey. The answer was affirmative.

Will also reported through a mutual decision between County Zoning and himself that when Spring of 2009 arrives and "recreational campers" start to move back onto lots and properties, zoning will be enforced as follows: (1) Zoning Permits will be required. (2) limit of one unit per parcel. And (3) length of stay.

Road Master Report as follows:

Road Master Rick Bierly was absent.

The current Liquid Fuels Budget spread sheet and labor time sheets for each employee were reviewed by the Supervisors and found to be in order.

Ron Bierly reported the chains for the new truck have been received and the nurf bars have been installed on the truck.

Will Wolfe reported having made contact with Mary Wolf Anadarko Petroleum's liaison to this area making her aware of the need to start making plans for

Township road bonding and permits required in preparation of gas well drilling in Cummings Township.

Other Business:

Motion was made by Ron Bierly and seconded by Joyce Raesner to adopt and approve Resolution 2009-1. MC

Resolution 2009-1 establishes the wage guidelines and the Supervisor's expectations for the operation of the Liquid Fuels Program.

Motion was made by Joyce Raesner and seconded by Ron Bierly to adopt and approve Ordinance 2009-1. MC

Ordinance 2009-1 is known as the existing Earned Income and Net Profits Tax taxing earned income by residents of Cummings Township.

Will reported on the results and status of the bidding of the 1994 Ford dump truck. The winning bid was \$ 8159.00 by Apple Auto Sales. The truck is paid for, the title transfer is complete and the truck has been delivered to Apple Auto Sales.

It was decided to schedule the Liquid Fuels Budget preparation on February 3, 2009 at the home of the Secretary/Treasurer at 6:30 with February 17th as a back up if needed.

Will reported the Pine Creek COG 2009 dues have been paid.

The Secretary/Treasurer was instructed to mail the Fire Company Community Dinner notice to the residents of the Township.

Motion was made by Joyce Raesner and seconded by Ron Bierly to adopt and approve Resolution 2009-2. MC

Resolution 2009-2 authorizes and approves regulating of Act 3 of 2008 known as the Right-to -Know Law and designates William L. Wolfe as the open records officer of Cummings Township.

Motion was made by Joyce Raesner and seconded by Ron Bierly approving the Treasurer's Report and approving the payment of all outstanding bills. MC

Correspondence was gone over and acted on accordingly and special note made of the following: PSATS, Lycoming Sanitary Committee (Jim Carpenter retirement),

*Scott Williams (DCNR ROW Maint. Agreement), Seneca Resources (well drilling),
EMA/NIMS, .*

Meeting adjourned at 9:28 PM

*Respectfully submitted,
William L Wolfe, Secretary/Treasurer*