

Board of Supervisors:  
 Ronald Flatt, *Chairman*  
 Philip Wulff, *Vice Chairman*  
 Edward Latuska, *Supervisor*  
 Robert Sloan, *Supervisor*  
 Alan Smallwood, *Supervisor*



*Anthony Amendolea, Secretary/Treasurer*  
*Michael Gallagher, Solicitor*  
*Gateway Engineers, Engineer*  
*Patrick Gauselmann, BCO/Zoning Officer*

Center Township Board of Supervisors  
 Regular Meeting Minutes  
 October 14, 2020  
 6:30 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman Ronald Flatt called the Regular Meeting, of the Center Township Board of Supervisors, to order at 6:30 p.m. The meeting was held at the Unionville Volunteer Fire Company Firehall, 102 Mahood Road, Butler PA 16001.

**ROLL CALL:**

In addition to Chairman Flatt, present were Vice Chairman Philip Wulff; Supervisors Edward Latuska, Robert Sloan and Alan Smallwood; Township Solicitor Michael Gallagher; Township Engineer David Heath; and Township Secretary/Treasurer Anthony Amendolea.

**PUBLIC TO BE HEARD:**

- A. Mr. Ron Holt, 370 North Duffy Road: Mr. Holt stated work being done on North Duffy Road (T-609) has left a drop off at the end of his drive.
- B. Mr. Gary Courtney, 204 Fox Hollow Drive: Mr. Courtney complained about the noise from Starlight Drive-In. They need to control the volume. The Board needs to control situation.
- C. Mr. Brian Richards, 180 North Benbrook Road: Mr. Richards agreed with Mr. Courtney. He is concerned that the concerts will continue after the Coronavirus (Covid-19) restrictions are lifted.
- D. Flatt made a statement concerning the Starlight Drive-In concerts and developing an ordinance in a timely manner

**MINUTES:**

- A. Agenda Setting Meeting - September 8, 2020: *Latuska motioned approving the minutes of the Agenda Setting Meeting held on Monday, September 8, 2020. Sloan seconded. Motion carried.*
- B. Regular Meeting – September 9, 2020: *Latuska motioned approving the minutes of Regular Meeting held on Wednesday, September 9, 2020. Sloan seconded. Motion carried.*
- C. Emergency Meeting - September 17, 2020: *Flatt motioned approving the minutes of the Emergency Meeting held on Thursday, September 17, 2020. Wulff seconded.* Latuska, stated he was not aware of the meeting being held and if he attended, he would oppose, and Smallwood abstained. *Motion carried 3 to 0.*

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

- A. September 2020: *Flatt motioned approving the September 2020 Treasurer's Report.*

*Latuska seconded. Motion carried.*

- B. Warrant List 20-09-18: *Flatt motioned approving Warrant List 20-09-18. Latuska seconded. Motion carried.*
- C. Warrant List 20-10-19: *Flatt motioned approving Warrant List 20-10-19. Latuska seconded. Motion carried.*

#### **ZONING REPORT:**

- A. September 2020: Construction costs were \$501,040.59 fees collected were \$4,400.00.

**SUBDIVISION & LAND DEVELOPMENTS:** None

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Release of Fire Relief Monies: The Township received the 2020 distribution of the Foreign Fire Tax in the amount of \$50,166.67. *Flatt motioned to allocated \$40,133.34 to Unionville Volunteer Fire Company and \$10,033.33 to Oneida Valley Volunteer Fire Department. Latuska seconded. Motion carried.*
- B. Center Township Food Bank: *Latuska motioned donating \$3,500.00 to Family Life Ministries for the Center Township Food Bank. Flatt seconded. Sloan abstained. Motion carried 4 to 0.*
- C. Butler Area Public Library: *Smallwood motioned donating \$1,500.00 to Butler Area Public Library. Flatt seconded. Motion carried.*
- D. Leaf Drop Off Area: The Board received numerous complaints concerning the leaf drop off hours. *Flatt motioned authorizing the leaf drop off area be open from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 8:00 a.m. to dusk Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday subject to any dumping of any materials other than leaves. Latuska seconded. Motion carried.*
- E. Ratify Ad for Oneida Valley Volunteer Fire Department's 2021 Calendar: *Flatt motioned ratifying the placement of an ad in the Oneida Valley Volunteer Fire Department's 2021 calendar in the amount of \$35.00. Wulff seconded. Motion carried.*

#### **PUBLIC WORKS:**

- A. Notice of Completion for 2020 Paving Project #1: Wiest Asphalt Products and Paving Inc completed the paving scheduled under the 2020 Paving Project #1. *Latuska motioned authorizing Flatt to the sign the Notice of Completion for the 2020 Paving Project #1. Wulff seconded. Motion carried.*
- B. Placement of Rip-Rap: Due to a consent agreement from Thursday, September 3, 2020, the Board of Supervisors had thirty (30) days to correct the situation. On Friday, October 2, 2020, Rip Rap was place along Lakeshore Drive (T-760) to alleviate stormwater drainage. *Flatt motioned ratifying in compliance with a consent agreement (1) authorizing the placement of Rip Rap and awarding the contract to DHT Construction in the amount of \$1,575.00 and (2) the purchase of 23 tons of R-7 Rip Rap at 27.77 per ton for a cost of \$638.71. Latuska seconded. Motion carried.*

- C. North Benbrook Road (T-602) Invoice: The invoice submitted by Davis Demolition and Excavating, LLC included four (4) hours for "Delivery and pickup time for machine" which was not included in the bid package. ***Flatt motioned (1) authorizing Township Secretary/Treasurer Amendolea to contact Davis Demolition and Excavating, LLC informing him of the discrepancy and (2) reduce the invoice by \$492.00 for "Delivery and pickup time for machine". Latuska seconded. Motion carried.***
- D. Meals Culvert Replacement: Smallwood reported that Mr. Brien Meals, 107 Iroquois Drive) wants to replace a culvert under his drive. Mr. Meals would pay for the pipe and installation but wants the Township to provide a catchbasin and curb. ***Flatt motioned authorizing the placement of a catchbasin and curb at 107 Iroquois Drive. Latuska seconded. Motion carried.***
- E. Boy Scouts Troop 30 Litter Pickup: Smallwood reported that the Boy Scouts Troop 30 will perform litter pickup on Saturday, October 17, 2020 and Sunday, October 18, 2020 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. ***Flatt motioned authorizing one (1) member of the road crew to assist the Boy Scouts Troop 30 on Saturday, October 17, 2020 and Sunday, October 18, 2020 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Latuska seconded. Motion carried.***

**ENGINEER'S REPORT:**

- A. Veterans Administration/Cambridge Stormwater: Township Engineer Heath reported the underground storage tanks are installed. Stormwater piping is installed along North Duffy Road (T-509). Road to be milled on Thursday, October 15, 2020 and paved on Friday, October 16, 2020.
- B. Cambridge Bond Request: Cambridge will ask for a reduction of the performance bond later this month. Heath will make a recommendation to the Board at the next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, November 9, 2020.
- C. Stormwater Ordinance Review: Township is awaiting review from Butler County Planning Commission prior to advertising for adoption.
- D. Columbia Gas Paving of Sunset Drive (T-442): Township Engineer Heath met with Columbia Gas. Youngblood Paving tarred and chipped Sunset Drive (T-442) two (2) lanes to prolong the life of the road.
- E. 2021 Paving Project: Heath will schedule a meeting with Pennsylvania American Water, Peoples Twp Gas, and Columbia Gas to discuss future projects which may affect Center Township's proposed 2021 Paving Project

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:** None**MISCELLANEOUS:**

- A. Mr. Dale Herold's Reimbursement Request: Latuska asked if any action was taken on Mr. Herold's request for reimbursement. Flatt stated he sent an email to Mr. Adam Pyles, Cambridge, with no response.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

*The meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m. to discuss personnel. The meeting reconvened at 7:59 p.m. with the following action taken:*

***Smallwood made a motion to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. Wulff seconded. Motion carried.***

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Anthony A. Amendolea  
Township Secretary/Treasurer

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Ronald E. Flatt  
Chairman

*Absent*

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Phillip B. Wulff  
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