

*Typed: December 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021*

*The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Cass Township was held on Wednesday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 6:30pm at the Township's Municipal Building, Duncott, PA.*

*Present at the meeting were: Mary Lou Bergan, Mike Sorokach, Frank Angelo, Chris Ternowchek, Sharmar Gibson, Mike Ondisco, and Kelsie Fiscus.*

*Brenda Helt calls the meeting to order.*

*All recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.*

*Roll Call of Officers:*

*Brenda M. Helt – present.*

*David W. Califf – absent.*

*Elvin E. Brennan Jr. - present.*

*Other attendance/attendees:*

*Evelyn J. Bergan, Secretary – present.*

*Sean Logsdon, Solicitor – present.*

*Gerard E. Daley, Chief - CTPD – present.*

*Chairperson Helt states that the minutes from the October 2021 Supervisor's meeting have been placed at each seat. She calls for a motion to dispense the reading of the minutes if there are no corrections or omissions. Brennan makes the motion. Helt seconds. Motion passed. Roll Call: Unanimous Favorable Vote.*

*Helt opens the meeting for public comment. Please state your name and address for the record.*

*Sharmar Gibson, 708 Valley Road – Addresses the Board members and the Chief of Police with complaints relating to several issues including vehicles speeding on Valley Road. He asks for police presence and for them to run speed near his residence, as well as, signage to help slow the traffic. Chief Daley states that lines were painted on the road to run speed. The Board explains that Valley Road is a State road – so PennDOT will need to be contacted for requests of signage, but our DPW employees will contact PennDOT to discuss. This very lengthy discussion continued regarding streetlights, safety issues, etc.*

*Chris Ternowchek, Flag Lane – had several complaints about the cuts made to the roads relating to the Minersville Water Authority Project. Elvin states that he was out checking on their project and they will be paving and correcting the issues. Chris also states that damage*

*was done to her property. Chairperson Helt explains that any complaints relating to that project (waterline improvements) should be directed to Minersville Borough. The Township will not sign off until all issues are corrected.*

*Mike Sorokach, Owl Road – Compliments the newly hired police officer (Daniel Sensi) by stating he is seen all over the Township – he is doing a good job. Chief Daley agrees. Chairperson Helt states that she wishes she could hire more like him.*

*Chairperson Helt asks that if residents have a complaint or problem, to please be an adult and contact the Township rather than post it on Facebook – we are willing to fix a problem if we are made aware that there is one. She states that if there is an issue, she contacts Chief Daley and he takes care of it. This discussion continues. She also adds that Daley has been an Officer in the Township for many years – and he is now doing a great job as Chief of Police.*

*Comcast Update – Chairperson Helt states that we have not heard anything back from Comcast to date, however, we are anticipating receiving some information by the end of the month. She states that she has been working on this for two years – and hopes that we get the funding and then soon after, Comcast can start installation in the Township.*

*Hearing nothing further from the audience, Helt moves on to the Agenda items:*

*Advertise the 2022 (tentative) Budget upon its completion – Helt makes the motion. Brennan seconds. Motion passed. Roll Call: Unanimous Favorable Vote.*

*Complete/Submit 2022 Tax Rate Form to County Assessment Bureau - Helt makes a motion keep the taxes the same for 2022 - and to complete and submit the form. Brennan seconds. Motion passed. Roll Call: Unanimous Favorable Vote.*

*School Choice Resolution - Attorney Sean Logsdon explains the purpose of the Resolution. Helt makes a motion to accept the Resolution. Brennan seconds. Motion passed. Roll Call: Unanimous Favorable Vote.*

*Treasurer's Reports: Helt states that the public summary and the list of transactions for the month of October 2021 have been placed at each seat; she makes a motion to accept the reports as printed and to pay all outstanding bills that can be paid at this time. Brennan seconds. Motion passed. Roll Call: Unanimous Favorable Vote.*

*Planning Commission / Engineer's Report – Nothing.*

**Police Report:** Chief Daley reads the police report. Helt makes a motion to accept the report as read. Brennan seconds. Motion passed. Roll Call: Unanimous Favorable Vote. Reports are on file in the Police Department for review upon request.

**Road Foreman's Report:** Helt states that there is copy at each seat. She calls for a motion to accept it as printed. Brennan makes the motion. Helt seconds. Motion passed. Roll Call: Unanimous Favorable Vote. Reports are on file with the Road Department for review upon request.

**Correspondence** – None.

**Old/New Business:**

**FEMA Approval of the Maintenance Agreement for Oak Lane** – Attorney Logsdon states that FEMA wants the overlay maps for the properties. He will reach out to ARRO and they should be able to provide them. This will be the last item on the list that was requested.

**Surveys for the PPL pole (Oak Lane) and the properties for the subdivision in Tweedsville** – Attorney Logsdon explains that Mike Brinkash has all the paperwork that he needs for all the surveys and is looking to complete and deliver them to the Township sometime in December.

**Thomaston Road** – Road Use Agreement with Reading Anthracite Company – Attorney Logsdon explains the agreement and that it needs to be signed. He also explains the intentions of Reading Anthracite to repair the damage they have caused to Thomaston Road. Chairperson Helt states that the road is a mess and repairs need to be done to it before it snows and our plows and trucks are damaged. Chairperson Helt states that they agreement was done back in August – and RAC was supposed to pay \$1,500 as part of the Agreement, but they haven't paid it. Attorney Logsdon states that he believes they didn't get the Agreement for whatever reason – but it is back-dated to August – so they still owe us that money.

**Demolition and Clean-up of 506 Tunnel Road** – Attorney Logsdon explains that the motion to the Court of Common Pleas to have the Conservatorship terminated should be completed and delivered to a Judge this week. Supervisor Brennan asks if the Township can now place it out for bids. Chairperson Helt states that, according to Attorney Karpowich, it was the Supervisors understanding that after paying the demolition and clean-up fees, the Township could place it out for bid to recover the money that was spent. Supervisor Brennan states that was his understanding as well – if we took conservatorship, it was then owned by the Township. After a brief discussion, Attorney Logsdon states that he will research and discuss with Attorney Karpowich.



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*Tweedsville Properties Update – Chairperson Helt again explains the Board’s intentions to sell certain properties in the Tweedsville area to the residents with adjacent properties.*

*Motion to Adjourn: With no further business, Helt makes a motion to adjourn. Brennan seconds. Motion passed. Roll Call: Unanimous Favorable Vote.*

*Meeting adjourned.*

*ATTEST: Brenda M. Helt, Chairperson*

*TIME MEETING ENDED: 7:06pm*

*ATTEST: Elvin E. Brennan Jr., Vice-Chairperson*

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