

Board of Supervisors Monthly Meeting

Minutes July 1, 2024

Call To Order: The monthly meeting of the Cumberland Township Board of Supervisors was called to order on July 1, 2024, at 100 Municipal Road, Carmichaels Pa 15320 at 4:00pm.

A. Pledge of Allegiance

B. Roll Call: Supervisors present were William H. Nicholson, Samuel H. Hastings, and James M. Sokol.

C. Committee Reports:

- a. Police Department
 - i. Chief Bryan Smith reported the May calls to service 341 with 108 arrests.
 - ii. Grace Academy will open this August for classes. They have asked us to do a walkthrough and safety assessment on the building in the near future.
 - iii. We have advertised the School Resource Officer position and received several applications.
- b. Zoning and Code Enforcement
 - i. On July 24th at 6pm, a public hearing will be held at the Cumberland Township Municipal Building for changes to the Zoning Ordinance in regards to fencing and retaining wall regulations.
 - ii. Work has begun on writing a revision to the Zoning Ordinance in regards to Solar Panels.
- c. Parks and Recreations
 - i. recently all of the bridges, pavilions and equipment has been power washed for cleaning. A special thanks to the NexGen for donating the pressure washer.
 - ii. Fireworks were held at the park on Saturday June 29th to close the Memorial Ride held for Officer Zane Breakiron.
 - iii. Overall, the park is continuing to improve every day.
 - iv. The Parks Board has approved in their monthly meeting to install 2 new pieces of playground equipment at a cost of \$10,914.00. The new equipment will be placed near the Ceylon Road play area.
- d. Budget and Finance
 - i. The Act 13 distribution is out for 2023, we will receive \$572,101. This is \$390,000 less then we received last year.
 - ii. Budget preparations will begin in the Township Managers Office at the end of August.

D. Public Comment: Recording on file.

E. New Business:

- a. As of now, the township is unclear of the long term plans the County has for the pool. We are in the process of planning for the worst. If the pool does not reopen, we are having conversations of implementing a splash pad in the park. (See Fliers)
- b. The township has received a quote for creating a sensory playground. The total cost of the project would be \$110,800. The new play area would specifically focus on our autistic and handicapped community. (See Fliers)

F. Old Business:

- a. No updates on the Pittsburgh Pirates Grant.

G. Minutes:

- a. Motion to accept the minutes from the June 3, 2024, monthly meeting.
- b. Motioned by: Mr. Hastings
- c. Seconded by: Mr. Nicholson
- d. Discussion and Comments: None
- e. Vote: Motion Carries Unanimously

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H. All Bills:

- a. Motion to pay all Township Bills. (\$191, 035.31 General Funds)
- a. Motioned by: Mr. Sokol
- b. Seconded by: Mr. Nicholson
- c. Discussion and Comments: None
- d. Vote: Motion Carries Unanimously

I. CDBG:

- a. Motion to pay all Bills Related to the CDBG Program.
- b. Motioned by: Mr. Nicholson
- c. Seconded by: Mr. Hastings
- d. Discussion and Comments: None
- e. Vote: Motion Carries Unanimously

J. CDBG:

- a. Motion to Approve Cooperation Agreement between Greene County and Cumberland Township for FY 2023 CDBG Program's Administration of entitlement funds of \$121,089.00 in which the County of Greene can receive up to 15% for Administration and the Township 3% of the total grant; contingent on language/term approval of both parties. This Agreement is effective for services retroactive to May 22, 2024, date the County of Greene commence services covered by this Agreement.
- b. Motioned by: Mr. Sokol
- c. Seconded by: Mr. Hastings
- d. Discussion and Comments: None
- e. Vote: Motion Carries Unanimously

K. CDBG:

- a. Motion to approve Samuel H. Hastings, as CEO to be the certifying officer for submission of applications and payment requests to the Bureau of Justice Assistance for the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Program.
- b. Motioned by: Mr. Nicolson
- c. Seconded by: Mr. Sokol
- d. Discussion and Comments: None
- e. Vote: Motion Carries Unanimously

L. CDBG:

- a. Motion to approve submission of application online to Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP) on June 6, 2024, to fund 50% of six officer vests estimated to cost \$5,399.70.
- b. Motioned by: Mr. Sokol
- c. Seconded by: Mr. Nicholson
- d. Discussion and Comments: None
- e. Vote: Motion Carries Unanimously

M. CDBG:

- a. Motion to approve submission of FY-2024 CDBG entitlement activity of Nemaquin Sewage System to Greene County for Cumberland Township's entitlement portion; provided the activity is determined to be LMI fundable. The funds available for the activity are \$96,725.
- b. Motioned by: Mr. Nicholson
- c. Seconded by: Mr. Hastings
- d. Discussion and Comments: None
- e. Vote: Motion Carries Unanimously

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N. Grant Writer:

- a. Motion to approve Memorandum of Understanding between Cumberland Township and Carmichaels Area School District requirement for the FY23 COPS Office award funding of SRO approval contingent on acceptance and approval by the Board of Carmichaels Area School District.
- b. Motioned by: Mr. Hastings
- c. Seconded by: Mr. Sokol
- d. Discussion and Comments: None
- e. Vote: Motion Carries Unanimously

O. Road Closure:

- a. Motion to approve the request for road closures during the King Coal Show August 20th-August 24th. Closures include Pet Parade August 20th, Bicycle Parade August 21st, and the King Coal Show Parade August 24th.
- b. Motioned by: Mr. Nicholson
- c. Seconded by: Mr. Hastings
- d. Discussion and Comments: None
- e. Vote: Motion Carries Unanimously

P. Insurance:

- a. Motion to approve Travelers carried with Baily Insurance for the following insurances for Cumberland Township, Package (Property, Crime, Inland Marine), General Liability, Professional (Public Entity & Law Enforcement), Umbrella, and Automobile with an annual premium of \$69, 688.00
- b. Motioned by: Mr. Hastings
- c. Seconded by: Mr. Sokol
- d. Discussion and Comments: None
- e. Vote: Motion Carries Unanimously

Q. Workers Compensation Insurance:

- a. Motion to approve Encova carried with Baily Insurance for the Township for the Workers Compensation Insurance with an annual premium of \$80, 777.00.
- b. Motioned by: Mr. Nicholson
- c. Seconded by: Mr. Sokol
- d. Discussion and Comments: None
- e. Vote: Motion Carries Unanimously

R. Police:

- a. Motion to approve Hunter Davis to Corporal.
- b. Motioned by: Mr. Hastings
- c. Seconded by: Mr. Sokol
- d. Discussion and Comments: None
- e. Vote: Motion Carries Unanimously

S. Sensory Park Equipment:

- a. Motion to approve Marcia Sonneborn to advertise bids for the construction of Sensory Equipment at Wana-B-Park.
- b. Motioned by: Mr. Nicholson
- c. Seconded by: Mr. Sokol
- d. Discussion and Comments: None
- e. Vote: Motion Carries Unanimously

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T. New Park Equipment:

- a. Motion to approve the purchase and installation of new playground equipment already approved by the parks and recreations board.
- b. Motioned by: Mr. Hastings
- c. Seconded by: Mr. Nicholson
- d. Discussion and Comments: None
- e. Vote: Motion Carries Unanimously

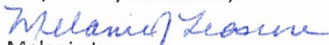
U. Horse Statue:

- a. Motion to approve the installation of a horse statue at Wana B Park at a location to be determined by the Board of Supervisors already approved by the parks and recreations board at a cost of \$2,749.41.
- b. Motioned by: Mr. Sokol
- c. Seconded by: Mr. Hastings
- d. Discussion and Comments: None
- e. Vote: Motion Carries Unanimously

V. Continuation:

- a. Motion to approve the continuance of the July Monthly Supervisors meeting for bid opening and general business until 4pm July 8th, 2024.
- b. Motioned by: Mr. Nicholson
- c. Seconded by: Mr. Hastings
- d. Discussion and Comments: None
- e. Vote: Motion Carries Unanimously

Respectfully submitted,


Melanie Leasure

Secretary/Treasurer

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