

CEDAR CREEK TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING September 8, 2020.

Supervisor, Linda Aerts called the meeting to order at the Cedar Creek Township Hall at 6:30 P.M., Tuesday, September 8, 2020. Tom Beeman led us in the Pledge of Allegiance, and roll call taken.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION

Motion by Kuziak; supported by Wright to approve the Agenda with the change of adding fee schedule for recycling to old business. **PASSED**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Heather Jarvis, Stephanie Kuziak, Bob Wright, Linda Aerts, Kim Young

RESIDENTS PRESENT: 9

MINUTES:

MOTION

Motion by Young; supported by Wright to accept the minutes from August 11 and 25, 2020 **ALL IN FAVOR. PASSED.**

TREASURERS REPORT

The Treasurer read her report. This report will be placed on file as presented.

DISBURSEMENTS

MOTION

Motion by Young, supported by Jarvis to pay all regular bills for the month. **PASSED.**

DEPARTMENT REPORTS – Reports from the Building/Zoning Department and from the Assessing Department were reviewed.

CORRESPONDENCE

Received a letter from Christopher and Katie Hibbs regarding their request to the PC to implement an amendment to the Animals Ordinance, which was denied. They live in an R2 zoned area of the township. R2 zone does not permit farm animals. We discussed the situation and will look into it further and re-address it at our special meeting 9-14-2020.

MOTION

Motion by Wright; supported by Kuziak to address this matter at a special meeting set for 9-14-2020. **PASSED**

PUBLIC COMMENT - none

OLD BUSINESS:

➤ Recycling Project Fee Schedule

These are some of the fees charged by Fruitland Township:

\$2.00 for a 20 Gallon Container – CC Resident
\$4.00 for a 40 Gallon Container – CC Resident
\$4.00 for a 20 Gallon Container – Non-Resident
\$8.00 for a 40 Gallon Container – Non-Resident
Punch cards?
\$20 for a pick-up truck
Additional Donations are Accepted.

Kim mentioned a flat fee of \$5.00 for up to 40 Gallons. After further discussion we decided to review this again on Monday, 9-14-2020 at our special meeting.

MOTION

Motion by Kuziak, supported by Young to finalize a price at 9-14-2020 Special Meeting.
Passed

NEW BUSINESS

➤ **Brickley DeLong Audit of Cedar Creek Township.**

Eric Van Dop gave a presentation of the recent audit. He gave high reviews on how the township is running and stated that Cedar Creek Township is an excellent fiscal steward of its financial resources.

➤ **Brickley DeLong Contract Renewal**

MOTION

Motion by Kuziak, supported by Young to accept the new contract from Brickley DeLong. **Passed**

➤ **Approval of hourly wage due to increased workload for Zoning Administrator (in addition to her salary)**

The zoning admin. has been working extra hours cleaning up and correcting errors. She is also fixing and updating our applications. She has been working every Friday and even on her days off. I ask that she receive \$15.00 per hour over and above her salary for the extra hours worked.

MOTION

Motion by Young, supported by Wright to approve the hourly pay for the Zoning Administrator for extra hours. **Passed**

➤ **Adoption of asset limitation (\$10,000.00) to Cedar Creek Township's Poverty Guideline Resolution.**

MOTION

➤ **Motion** by Kuziak, supported by Young to add the \$10,000,00 limitation to the Poverty Guideline Resolution. **Passed.**

➤ **Possible Board Approval of Resolution for Special Assessment of Don Snow Sub-division for snowplowing.**

MOTION

Motion by Kuziak, supported by Wright to finish the Special Assessment at our Special Meeting 9-14-2020. **Passed.**

COMMISSIONER COMMENT

Commissioner Foster gave us an update on the County. Four years ago, the County was at a deficit of 9 to 10 Million, they are now down to 2.2/2.3 million. He also said that the Townships need to attend and push the County to look at a County Wide ORV ordinance.

PARKS and REC

- 1) We will be calling our members together very soon for a meeting of the Parks & Rec Committee
- 2) The Well – Linda met with Derrick from Consumer's Energy; he unfortunately came while Josh was on vacation with his family. Derrick has spoken with Josh and they have discussed options. Derrick will work up his design and a cost proposal and send it to us and/or Josh at Wirtz, and then Wirtz will in turn work up their proposal to us. From there it is up to us to determine if we want to submit this proposal to two other companies for their bids.
- 3) We also noticed that the cactus has come back so we have posted a warning on Facebook and we will be ordering warning signs for the trail. Stephanie called AAA to have another treatment on the property since the softball games are being played again.
- 4) Cedar Creek Township has been saving clean plastic caps to recycle them into a bench for our community park.

Part of the program is to have children sort the caps into their various recyclable categories. Unfortunately, not all of the caps have been coming in clean - not fun to stick your hands in peanut butter, and worse yet someone has decided that it is okay to throw in their diabetic needles - Grandma Kathy got poked!

There was also a fire at the recycle plant. To that end, we have decided that it is in everyone's best interest to hold off on this project to ensure the safety of those we treasure.

BOARD COMMENT

Stephanie thanked Commissioner Foster, and Senator Bumstead for working so well with Linda Aerts, our supervisor, in helping her get the recycling for our Township. If it were not for Linda's special skills with Grant writing this would not be happening.

Linda – At our last Board Meeting we spoke to you about an issue that we had concerning a builder who believed that we owed him \$500 in repayment for a Soils and Structures test that he was required to have. After having a discussion with our Building Official, I had a subsequent discussion with the homeowner, and we were able to resolve the issue amicably.

We are updating our permits so that they are more user friendly for both the homeowners and contractors. Our inspectors have been extremely helpful in this process. We are implementing BS&A as a regular part of the Building Program so that everything will be seamless as it should be.

PUBLIC COMMENT

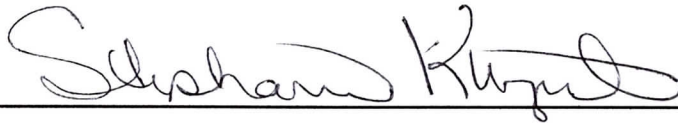
Nancy Beeman asked the board to consider the Hibbs request for a Hobby Farm; she want us to understand that we are a rural area. She also asked about the election and mail in ballots and if she could volunteer to help the Clerk in any way. Kim explained the process to Nancy about elections and Stephanie finished by letting Nancy know we have everything under control and thanked her for her offer.

ADJOURNMENT

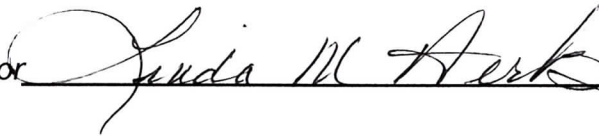
MOTION

Motion by Kuziak; supported by Jarvis to adjourn at 8:15 PM. **PASSED.**

Stephanie Kuziak, Clerk

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Linda Aerts, Supervisor

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