

The January 3, 2022 Organizational Meeting of Cogan House Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:00 PM at the Municipal Building by Chairman Howard Fry, Board Members attending were Supervisor Howard Fry, Supervisor Daniel Roupp, and Supervisor Lori Douglass. Pledge of Allegiance was done. There were approximately 36 residents attending.

Supervisor Howard Fry made a motion to appoint Supervisor Roupp as temporary Chairman, Supervisor Douglass seconded the motion. Voted 2-0 with Supervisor Roupp abstaining. MC

Temporary Chairman Roupp made a motion to appoint Supervisor Howard Fry as temporary Secretary, Supervisor Douglass seconded, voted 2 – 0 with Supervisor Fry abstaining. MC

Temporary Chairman Roupp made a motion to appoint Supervisor Howard Fry as Chairman, Supervisor Douglass seconded, voted 2 – 0 with Supervisor Fry abstaining. MC

Chairman Fry made a motion to appoint Supervisor Lori Douglass as Vice-Chairperson, Supervisor Roupp seconded, voted 2 – 0 with Supervisor Douglass abstaining.

Chairman Fry made a motion to appoint Theresa Roupp as Secretary & Treasurer and set compensation at \$17,000.00 with Treasurers' Bond at \$5 Million raising it from \$3.5 Million. Supervisor Douglass seconded the motion voted 2 – 0 with Supervisor Roupp abstaining. MC

Chairman Fry made a motion to appoint Supervisor Roupp as Road Master with no change in wages still at \$18.50, Supervisor Douglass seconded voted 2 – 0 with Supervisor abstaining. Supervisor Douglass

made a motion to reappoint the following employees for 2022: *(Since Lori Douglass is on the list, this will need to be revoked or corrected the next time the Supervisors are in a meeting)* Gary Livermore, Lori Douglass

(IT), Bill Fink, Daniel Roupp and Avie DeMorat. With the wages being raised from \$15.50 to \$17.50.

Chairman Fry seconded the motion voted with Supervisor Roupp abstaining. 2 – 0 MC. Supervisor Roupp

made a motion to appoint the following John Mahoney (Ruggiero Law Office) as special council and Mike Wiley (McCormick Law Firm) as solicitor, Engineer will be Larson Design, EMA Coordinator temporary will be Supervisor Douglass until someone can be appointed, Mike Vaughn for Chairman of

Vacancy Board, SEO Robert Bertin & Alternates Terry Myers & Jami Nolan. Supervisor Douglass

seconded voted 3 – 0 MC. The Board selected the depositories as being the same, First Citizens

Community Bank. Supervisor Douglass made a motion to stay with same bank, Supervisor Roupp

seconded voted 3 – 0 MC. Supervisor Roupp made a motion to certify delegates to attend PSATS

Conference as the voting delegate. Chairman Fry advised he would do that. The township will pay for

attending the conference at \$50 per day. Supervisor Douglass seconded voted 2 – 0 Chairman Fry

abstained MC. Chairman Fry made a motion to set the mileage rate at \$.58.5 (IRS rate) for using

personal vehicles for township business. Supervisor Douglass seconded voted 3 – 0 MC. TCC voting

delegates were appointed in December because the paperwork needed to be returned. Mary Gregory is

first, Howard Fry second and Lori Douglass is third back up. Mary Gregory was voted in at election time

as Tax Collector. By Resolution 010421 the Board of Supervisors raised the commission rate from 8% to

10% this is at the highest rate that can be paid. Supervisor Roupp made a motion to set the time and

date of the meetings the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM unless they would be changed for winter

hours in the fall going into the new year. This will be advertised. Supervisor Douglass seconded voted 3 –

0 MC. Supervisor Douglass made a motion to authorized & establish reimbursement policy for township

employees to attend trainings, conventions or conferences at employee's rate of pay plus expenses if

not provided and furnish a receipt of such. Supervisor Roupp seconded voted 3 – 0 MC. Supervisor

Roupp made a motion to establish Open Records Officer for 2022 as Theresa Roupp Supervisor Douglass

seconded voted 3 – 0 MC. *The Board of Supervisors needed to rescind the appointment of the third auditor in the*

*December 7, 2021 meeting due to the fact that there was no vacancy at that time. Vacancy only occurs on January*

1, 2022. Supervisor Roupp made motion to rescind, Supervisor Douglass seconded voted 3 – 0 MC. At this time Supervisor Roupp made a motion to reappoint Delores Patterson as the third auditor to finish out the term till the next election. Supervisor Douglass seconded voted 3 – 0 MC.

Chairman Fry made a motion to adjourn the Organizational Meeting at 7:20 PM Supervisor Roupp seconded voted 3 – 0 MC.

The January 3, 2022 regular meeting was brought to order by Chairman Howard Fry, Supervisor Douglass and Supervisor Roupp in attendance. All the residents stayed for the regular meeting after the organizational meeting. Due to the high rate of the Covid hitting again the Supervisors asked that be worn at the meeting. Public Comment was from Blackwell’s complaining that they have mud at the end of their driveway and never dries up. Supervisor Roupp advised he would look into it and maybe put some 2 A Sub on it until it can be fixed properly in the drier months. Nothing can be done in the winter. Other residents were upset that the plows were not out soon enough due to icy conditions. Supervisor Roupp apologized for not knowing how icy the roads were. They did not go out to early due to there were no school buses going that day, and the Martins were contacted to see if they had trucks coming and going. They said nothing scheduled that day but then they contacted Dan to advise they forgot about a truck coming in. They went out at that time.

The Minutes of December 7, 2021, Bill List and Treasurer’s report were reviewed with no comment, Chairman Fry made a motion to accept them, Supervisor Douglass seconded voted 3 – 0 MC.

Correspondence: The secretary advised of the passing of Bob Emery’s wife Kate and a card was sent out to him. Secretary advised of the bidding requirements for 2022. Contracts over \$21,900.00 must be advertised, contracts that exceed \$11,800 requires 3 phone bids and anything under do not require a bid. Lot addition for the Sawyers from the planning commission was reviewed with no comment. EXCO renewed their road bond within Cogan House Township. The Township received a Thank You from the Tabor Museum thanking us for our donation.

Nothing from EMA/Hazardous Mitigation

Road Masters report he already discussed the icy conditions and plowing.

Old Business: The Board of Supervisors advised of some dates for the special meeting for the contract with the Tiadaghton Police Force in Cogan House Township. The residents choose January 18, 2022 at 7:00 PM and requested a flyer to be sent out. There was some discussion that it wasn’t really needed do to the fact it would be advertised and on the website. (Also, many of the residents use Facebook)

Chairman Fry said that a flyer would be sent out. Toward the end-of the meeting the residents got back on the subject of Tioga EMS and EMT not getting the calls due to the responder not being set up yet. Lycoming center does not call Morris due to the new dispatch frequencies in Tioga.

Letter of intent was only Range Resources intent to drill Cornwall Bear 1H, 5H, 6H & Turkey 4H & 7H.

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Supervisor Roupp made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 PM Supervisor Douglass seconded voted 3 – 0 MC meeting adjourned.

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