

The November 8, 2023 regular meeting of Cogan House Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairman Howard Fry at 6:00 PM with Supervisor Lori Douglass and Supervisor Daniel Roupp in attendance. Approximately 8 residents were in attendance also. The Pledge of Allegiance was given. Before public comment the Board of Supervisors made a motion to re-open the agenda in order to add a report from Laron Design for the Buckhorn Bridge which may impact the 2024 budget. Supervisor Douglass made that motion with Supervisor Roupp seconded, voted 3-0 MC. Public Comment: Jerry D. Chairperson of the Rec Committee advised that Trunk or Treat was a success however there were fewer trunks due to changing the date to rain. Approximately 67 children attended and quite a few adults also. She advised the Tree Lighting will be on December 3, 2023 starting at 4:00 PM to?

The Board reviewed the October 3, 2023 regular meeting minutes, bill list & treasurer's report and also the October 21, 2023 Budget Work meeting minutes. No comments on the reports or minutes, Supervisor Douglass made a motion to approve & accept, Supervisor Roupp seconded, voted 3-0 MC.

Correspondence was received by the Tabor Museum thanking the Township for their yearly donation. PSATS sent out information for employee's health insurance, dental, life and disability. The board discussed and looking to the future may need to have available for the next round of employees that may be working. The secretary will get more information. Keystone Collections Group sent their annual request about any changes for 2024 Earned Income tax if there is any increase. The board discuss quite intensively about it then advising due to the inflation rate being what it is they will not increase for next year. Information was received for a program called Young Lungs at Play. This program would send out free signs to put in the playground area and pavilions. Board reviewed and requested secretary to look in further.

EMA Janice L was not present but she advised that she would be doing a virtual training with the County on December 7, 2023.

Road Masters Report given by Supervisor Roupp. He stated they continue to get the equipment ready for the winter months coming. Also trimming a few trees along the road that may fall down during a storm. He advised that Wagner Lumber has been hauling a lot on Bobst Mt and Buckhorn Road. They have it bonded so Supervisor Roupp inspected the roads and found some repair that needs performed. Some pipes were replaced with the same size and some edges of the road milled out and repaved to make it stronger.

Old Business there was none.

New Business the Board had requested an extension of the turnback of Cogan House Road due to the fact that the permits with DEP and the Conservation would not be approved until later in 2024 and would not give enough time to get the work bid quickly and completely. All the contractors already have their work scheduled for 2024 also. This brings us to the reason why the agenda was reopened for the information about the Buckhorn Bridge. During the inspection from Larson Design, it was found that the bridge is in need of repair. Because EQT and Range Resources both have the road bonded Supervisor Roupp will reach out about doing the repairs next year. However, if they are unable to repair the bridge the Township needed to add the cost to the 2024 Budget as an alternative for doing the repairs by us. Supervisor Douglass made a

motion to add \$500,000.00 to the Act 13 Budget for the repairs, Supervisor Roupp seconded, voted 3 – 0 MC. With that being added the Budget is now ready for advertising for public review. Supervisor Roupp made a motion to advertise for 2024 Budget review by appointment, Supervisor Douglass seconded, voted 3 - 0, MC.

Notice of Intents were from Range Resources for consumptive use of water not to exceed 4 million gals of water for the State Game Land East Pad in Pine & Cogan House Township. SWN consumptive use of water not to exceed 4,999,999 gals of water for LOCH Pad in Cogan House Township.

Payroll was signed.

Motion was made by Chairman Fry to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 PM, Supervisor Douglass seconded voted 3 – 0 MC meeting adjourned.

Secretary

Chairman

Vice Chairperson

Supervisor