

**MINUTES**  
**RICHLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
**August 30, 2021**

The Richland Township Board of Supervisors met for their regular meeting on Monday, August 30, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was held at the Richland Township Municipal Building, 322 Schoolhouse Road, Johnstown PA 15904.

**All COVID 19 restrictions for social distancing and masks were followed.**

**PRESENT**

Robert Heffelfinger, Chairman	Gary L. Costlow, Solicitor
Keith W. Saylor	Bryan J. Beppler, Executive Director
Gary Paul	
Brian H. Lehman	
Jeffrey D. Wingard	

**ABSENT**

Kimberly D. Stayrook, Adm. Asst.

**CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

Chairman Heffelfinger called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**MINUTES 8/16/2021**

- Mr. Wingard moved to approve the minutes of August 16, 2021 as distributed, seconded by Mr. Paul. All in favor. Motion carried.

**APPROVE AGENDA - ANY CHANGES TO WRITTEN AGENDA**

There were no changes.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD ON AGENDA ITEMS** - The Public has the right and the opportunity to comment on any Agenda item - None.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Letter from Cambria County Tax Claim Bureau - Upset Tax Sale 9/13/21

Letter from Cambria County Department of Emergency Services – New Address Richland Elementary School: 338 Theatre Drive.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Richland School District – School Resource Officer Agreements**

Mr. Lehman moved to approve the agreements, seconded by Mr. Wingard. All in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Lehman stipulated that the agreements are approved as long as both parties agree to the calculation of the School Resource Officer's hourly rate.

**NEW BUSINESS**

## **Payment of the Bills**

Mr. Saylor moved to approve the general fund bills totaling \$252,843.88, seconded by Mr. Lehman. All in favor. Motion carried.

### **Commercial Tax Assessment Appeals = Authorization to Settle (Northwest Bank / Home Depot)**

Per Gary Costlow, these properties went through the proper process.

Northwest Bank: Township appraisal \$635,000, Bank's appraisal \$490,000, Settlement \$575,000

Home Depot: Township appraisal \$7,800,000, H.D. appraisal \$5,700,000, Settlement \$7,617,188

Mr. Wingard moved to approve the settlements, seconded by Mr. Saylor. All in favor. Motion carried.

### **CDL Probable Cause (8/25/21) and CMV/CDL Records Management (8/26/21) training completed by Bryan J. Beppler.**

#### **Cambria County Board of Assessment Appeals Scheduled Hearings**

**Commercial:** \* Adar Johnstown LLC (2); \* Johnstown Mall Ltd & Partnership  
\* Bottling Group LLC (2); \* SNA Hospitality LLC (Quality Inn)

**Residential:** \* Matthew Noel; \* Dougherty, Collin & Sturman, Haven L.

Gary Costlow advises that Adar owns that ground at the Galleria Mall, except for the anchor stores' locations (Sears, Boscov's, Bon-Ton, and JC Penney). This is the most important assessment appeal of the ones listed here. Mr. Heffelfinger commented that there are few residential appeals.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mrs. Strushensky inquired about the CDL training. Mr. Beppler outlined the scope of the training and the reason for memorializing the official record on the Agenda.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bryan J. Beppler, Executive Director  
Richland Township