

**Gallagher Township Board of Supervisors  
Regularly Scheduled Public Meeting  
March 5, 2025 at 7:00pm**

Call to Order at 7:00pm by Chairman Mann

Attendees: Loretta Coltrane, Timothy Lester, Jody Ritter, Mary Hunter, Russel Weaver, Chris Miller, Kate Miller, John Barrett.

Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence.

Meeting Recording by: Chris & Kate Miller or The Record

Executive Session: An Executive Session was held with Chairman Mann, Supervisor McCoy & Supervisor Hoy. Chairman Mann made a motion to reaffirm authorization to solicitor to take certain actions as discussed in executive session, motion seconded by Supervisor Hoy, MC; Supervisor McCoy abstained due to conflict of interest.

CONSENT AGENDA The items included below are routine in nature and it is not anticipated that any will generate discussion or questions. The actual Consent Agenda with a brief description of each item is included below and distributed to the Board and public for review. The items are available to view by the public at the sign-in table. At the request of a Board Member any single item or all items on the Consent Agenda can be discussed and voted on separately. If no items are "pulled," the Board should consider a motion for "approval of the Consent Agenda items as shown on the agenda. **Meeting Minutes:** February 2025 Regular Meeting, **Treasurer Report** for the month of February 2025-which includes all Liabilities, Payroll, all Invoices Paid, and Deposits made for all Township's Accounts; and the February 2025 **Correspondences**. The motion to approve was presented by Supervisor Hoy, seconded by Supervisor McCoy, MCU.

Road Master Report given by Supervisor Hoy:

- We have been able to pretreat ahead of storms making it easier to maintain the roads.
- We have been placing additional material on the dirt sections of the roads to help maintain them during the winter storms and help with the ice in shaded spots.
- We received a request to plow further down Old Pike Road from residents with cabins having difficulty getting into their driveways.
- Coudersport Pike is still not being maintained properly by the county. Supervisor Hoy has had several discussions with them however, they are short on the necessary materials needed so little can be done on their part.
- Road Inspection schedule by supervisors for March 28, 2025 at 9:00am.

SEO Report: N/A

Zoning & Land Use Permits Report: N/A

School House Committee:

- Still waiting on contractors to give us scope of work and pricing, both Chairman Mann & Supervisor Hoy will follow-up with their contacts and try to push things forward on starting basic repairs at a minimum. There is a tremendous amount of work that would be required for the Township to open the school to the public for tourism or event rental and the costs of

repair/restoration and ADA requirement may not equal the benefits necessary to make it a viable project for the community.

- A logo was presented for the School House/175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary that was drawn by Becky Barnett. A few suggestions were given and hopefully a final logo will be ready shortly for the committee's use on print materials, banners and flags for the upcoming events.
- We need to preserve the chalk board writing from the early 1900's and research a way to digitally preserve it as well as possible remove the wallpaper with epoxy to put on display. Becky Barnett & Chris Miller can both take pictures so that we can have them for our records before we do anything further. Loretta will do some more research on preservation techniques.
- Floor needs repaired and bird nests need removed and the school will need to be cleaned before our event on May 18, 2025.

#### 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Festival

- A motion was presented by Chairman Mann and seconded by Supervisor McCoy to approve the events for Gallagher Townships 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary to be held as follows:  
Heritage Day – May 18, 2025 & Anniversary Closing Day Ceremony – October 5, 2025, 11am – 5pm both days. The motion carried unanimously.
- Supervisor McCoy suggested we do a bit of research into Prince Farrington who owned property as well as was known for bootlegging in Gallagher Township. Warren Gottshall may know the location of property.
- Supervisors to work on food & refreshment offerings for spring & fall events. It was suggested that vendor application forms be made available on the new township website for anyone interested in participating in the event.
- Loretta is working on our upcoming schedule of events for May 18<sup>th</sup> and would like to have a supplement featured in The Express & The Record with a list of the scheduled talks:
  - Jimmy Lovett will be giving a talk & presentation on Irish Family Historical Items & Artifacts.
  - Fire Side Chats & Story Telling featuring Warren Gottshall, Earl Straley & Bill McCoy
  - Out Caldwell Way chat with Clara Fritz
  - "Map of History" Driving Tour featuring Gallagher Township historical landmarks

Public Comment: N/A

#### **Old Business:**

##### Wood pile Bids

- Brandon Coleman bid \$250. Steve Sanders bid \$162.  
Motion by Supervisor Hoy to award the bid to Brandon Coleman, seconded by Supervisor McCoy, MCU.

##### Reflective Signage & Address Requirements:

- Supervisor Hoy will check with the county on their current signage requirement
- Solicitor will need to review any ordinance put forward

##### Haneyville Fire Co. Phone/Internet:

- Transfer of phones is complete. Shelly & Lori have spoken regarding Gallagher Township continuing to pay the phone bill for the fire company.

Supervisor Pay Ordinance #2025-001:

- Table until April meeting, needs to be advertised by solicitor

EMA Portable Radio System for Haneyville Fire Company – Approximate cost \$6k:

- Table until next year. Gallagher Township will add to the 2026 budget

Donation to Haneyville Fire Company of \$10k

- The donation check was presented to the Haneyville Fire Chief by the Gallagher Township Board of Supervisors. A photo of the event will be featured in The Record.

**New Business:**

Township Website:

- Presentation was given by Chris & Kate Miller of Cross Life Ventures on putting together a new website for Gallagher Township. The website will be updated and easier to maintain by the township going forward. Training will be provided and the team will work with Shelly to get whatever information is needed to start the process.
- Supervisor Hoy made a motion to approve the proposal to move forward with the creation of a Dot.Org Township website with Cross Life Ventures with the incorporation of a Township weather feature, not to exceed the cost of \$1600, seconded by Supervisor McCoy, MCU.

Purchase of Ford F250

- A motion was made by Supervisor Hoy to approve the purchase from Whitmore Automotive Group at the cost of \$67,400, financed into 3 yearly payments, 4-6 weeks delivery a 2024 4WD Crew Cab with 6.75 sq. ft. box, 400 horsepower, 9' commercial snow boss plow with hand controls, strobe lighting and side boxes paid for from the ACT-13 fund, seconded by Chairman Mann, MCU.

Snow Birds and Spouting for buildings:

- A motion was presented by Supervisor Hoy to get pricing to add spouting and snow birds to the municipal building because of damage being caused by water and snow, seconded by Supervisor McCoy, MCU.

Recycling Bins:

- There was a complaint regarding ice around the recycling bins written by the Clinton County Watch Dogs. The Township's Road Master & Foreman spread materials around the bins to ensure resident's safety prior to plowing the Township roads first thing in the morning. The parking lot and area surrounding the dumpsters and recycling bins are plowed once the roads have been cleared for school buses and resident's morning travel. Due to the complaint a discussion was had about removing the recycling bins completely or during the winter season to ensure no residents are injured as well as to keep the area free of debris which is left behind by people using the bins. More discussion to follow.

**Adjourn:** 8:25pm

The Motion to Adjourn was presented by Chairman Mann, seconded by Supervisor Hoy, MCU. Meeting adjourned at 8:25pm.

A Work Session will be held on the third Wednesday of every month at 6:30 as needed.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 2, 2025 at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Shelly Davis  
Secretary/Treasurer

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William Mann  
Chairman, Board of Supervisors