

**CUMRU TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING JANUARY 21, 2025**

ATTENDANCE

Board of Commissioners: Rowe _____ G. Miller _____ Batdorf _____

Donnell _____ W. Miller _____

Others: Solicitor _____ Chief of Police _____ Fire Chief _____

Supt. Public Works _____ Asst. Supt. Public Works _____ Engineer _____

Bus/Personnel Administrator _____ Mgr/Sec _____ Asst Sec/Projects _____

NOTICE:

Public comment will be accepted in person. Please include your first name, last name and address for all comments. Any comments without a name or address will not be considered. To accommodate as many people as possible, we request that each person’s comments be limited to 3 minutes (resolution no. 301). The meeting comment period is limited to a total of 60 minutes. This time period may be extended at the discretion of the Commissioners. While public comments will be given due consideration, immediate responses will be done at the discretion of the Commissioners.

Call to Order and Pledge to the Flag.

AMBULANCE SERVICE

A.) Monthly Report – December 2024

APPROVE MINUTES
December 17, 2024 – Regular Meeting

TREASURER

A.) Monthly Report – December 2024

TAX COLLECTOR

A.) December 2024 Report

1) Year 2024 Real Estate

Balance collectable beginning of month - \$181,411.52

Cash collected - \$95,166.45

Balance collectable end of month – \$86,245.07

2) Year 2023/2024 Interim Real Estate

Balance collectable beginning of month – \$3,083.10

(billed 1/1/24, 4/1/24, 6/1/24 & 8/1/24)

Cash collected – \$1,075.27

Balance collectable end of month - \$2,007.83

- 3) Year 2024 Per Capita
 - Balance – \$13,695.00 (7/1 & 11/1)
 - Additions – \$15.00
 - Cash collected - \$3,215.00
 - Exonerations - \$415.00
 - Balance collectable end of month – \$10,080.00

PUBLIC

DEPARTMENTS

Police Department

A.) Monthly Report – December 2024

B.) BCERT Board of Chiefs – consider resolution approving Chief Winchester to represent the Township as a Board member

- C.) Animal Control Services Agreement – consider authorizing the agreement
 - 1) Your Pet Experts, LLC d/b/a Perfect Match Pet Shop (YPE) agreement for \$5000 annual fee.

Fire Department

A.) Monthly Report – December 2024

B.) Annual Report 2024

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Calls	1050	1015	892	834	815
Fires	120	80	91	70	71

C.) Fire Station Construction – consider pay applications totaling \$786,458.08

CONTRACTOR	APPLICATION	AMOUNT
BALTON, INC.	PAY APP 7	\$ 708,844.42
HB FRAZER	PAY APP 6	\$ 12,411.00
VISION MECHANICAL	PAY APP 5	\$ 29,562.66
AIR MANAGEMENT	PAY APP 3	\$ 35,640.00
	TOTAL	\$ 786,458.08

D.) Engine 42-1

- 1) new Engine 42-1 in service January 2025
- 2) old Engine 42-1 – consider offer of sale to Centerport Fire Co. for \$120,000 (no broker fee)

E.) Santa Run 2024 – update

Administration

A.) Codes Department – December 2024

- Building Permits Issued – 13
- Use Permits Issued – 0
- Zoning Permits Issued – 3
- Notices of Violations – 19
- Citations issued – 0
- Violations complied – 5
- Phone calls from contractors, realtors & public approximately – 164
- Properties placarded – 0
- Permit Inspections Done – 43
- Inspections with the Fire Department – 2
- Training Seminars attended – 0

B.) “Brave the Dark” movie, partly filmed in Cumru Township – release 1/24/2025

C.) Hiring

- 1) Business and Personnel Administrator replacement – consider authorizing a conditional offer of employment to the top candidate.

D.) Planning

**2024-09 POSCH ACQUISITIONS, LLC LAND DEVELOPMENT PLAN
EXPIRATION DATE – 4/06/25**

(Final Plan) Owners: Posch Acquisitions, LLC/Massimo Caloiero and Guiliano Caloiero;
Agent: John Hoffert Surveying; Location: 201 Pershing Blvd.; Plan No. D-24-65-1;
Parcel ID #39530617018469 and part of #39530617018523; Proposal Summary:
Construction of a 2-unit semi-detached dwelling on 2 lots utilizing public water and
sewer facilities.

*Separate deeds for the 2 new lots were not recorded when the subdivision was recorded.
The new addresses will be along Gregg Avenue.*

1. Final Land Development Plan from John Hoffert, dated 8/16/24 (rec. 12/9/24)
2. BCPC review letter, dated 12/17/24
3. GVC review letter, dated 12/27/24
4. ZHB App. No. 785decision, dated 5/24/22

PROPOSED ACTION:

GRANT FINAL APPROVAL TO THE 2024-09 POSCH ACQUISITIONS, LLC LAND DEVELOPMENT PLAN CONDITIONED ON RESOLVING ANY ISSUES AS STATED IN THE GVC REVIEW LETTER DATED 12/27/24, OBTAINING SIGNATURES, AND PAYMENT OF FEES.

Public Works

A.) Winter Weather – update

Engineer

A.) Freemansville Rd.-update

Solicitor

- A.) Police Pension Ordinance Consolidation – consider adoption of Ordinance
 - 1) Ordinance advertised 1/14/2025

- B.) Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment – update
 - 1) Letters sent to property owners in MUGC district re: rescheduled public hearing for 2/18/25 at 6:00 p.m., dated 1/16/25
 - 2) Revised version 13 sent to BCPC and Cumru Planning Commission
 - 3) to be advertised 2/3/2025 and 2/10/2025

- C.) Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance Text Amendment – update
 - 1) Rescheduled public hearing for 2/18/25 at 6:30 p.m.
 - 2) to be advertised 2/3/2025 and 2/10/2025

PAYMENTS OF BILLS

12/20/24	1/03/25
12/27/24	1/10/25
	1/17/25

CORRESPONDENCE

- A.) 2025 monthly meeting advertisement- proof of publication 1/02/2025
- B.) Aboveground Storage Tank Notification- Carpenter Technology, dated 1/07/2025

COMMISSIONERS

- A.) Committee Vacancies and Terms
 - 1) Zoning Hearing Board (ZHB; 3-year term) – consider reappointing Brendan Strickland and alternate member Patrick Marz.
 - 2) Municipal Authority (MA; 5-year term) – consider reappointing Sam Kalbach
 - 3) Planning Commission – consider replacement for Bill Meek, resignation effective 12/31/24

- B.) Executive Session
 - 1) IAFF collective bargaining
 - 2) litigation – 212 Pershing Blvd.
 - 3) personnel issue – police department
 - 4) personnel issue – public works
 - 5) personnel issue – fire department
 - 6) personnel issue – administration

REMINDERS

- A.) Zoning Hearing Board 1/28/2025 at 6:00 p.m. *CANCELED*
Application No. 827 – Continuance - Seeking special exception to add modular home on the property known as 812 Cameron St.

- B.) Economic Development Steering Committee 1/23/2025 at 6:00 p.m.

- C.) Board of Commissioners meetings for February and March 2025
 - 1) 2/18/2025 at 6:00 p.m. – Public Hearings for Zoning Ordinance Amendments
 - 2) 2/18/2025 at 6:30 p.m. – Public Hearing for SALDO Amendments
 - 3) 2/18/2025 at 7:00 p.m. – Regular Meeting
 - 4) 3/18/2025 at 7:00 p.m. – Regular Meeting

- D.) Planning Commission 2/03/2025 at 6:00 p.m.

- E.) Office Closed 2/17/2025 for President’s Day

ADJOURNMENT