**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

**CASNOVIA TOWNSHIP**

**November 25, 2019**

The Casnovia Township Board met Monday, November 25, 2019 at 6 PM and was called to order by Supervisor Ashbaugh.

ROLL CALL: Supervisor Kelli Ashbaugh, Clerk Jennie Powell, Treasurer Gayle Brock, Trustees Jason Jorgensen and Dan Winell.

Others in Attendance: Township Attorney Catherine Kaufman, and attorney Craig Noland, AEP representatives Rich Nerzig and Attorney Zimmerman, along with many residents.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Dan to accept agenda, second by Jennie, passed.

Public Comment: Nine names from emails read into minutes, 3 residents spoke: Deb VanderHoff, Paul Black, Jeremy Way.

Board Action Items:

1. Motion by Jason to accept Gayle Brock’s resignation effective November 30, 2019. Second by Dan, passed. Gayle commented that she feels much better staying at home with her granddaughter. She has been “harassed and bullied here and it’s been such a hostile environment lately and I’m ready to stay at home.”

Attorney Kaufman explained the process in selecting a new treasurer. The board has 45 days from November 30 to appoint a new treasurer and that if anyone is interested, they must submit paperwork showing interest in being considered for the position.

1. Motion by Gayle to appoint Alicia Cole as the new Deputy Treasurer/Office Administrator to take the place of Ruth Ann Bull who has recently retired. Second by Jennie, passed.
2. Motion by Jennie to go into closed session at 6:15 PM to discuss pending litigation. Second by Dan. Roll call vote, passed unanimously.
3. Motion by Jennie to come out of closed session at 8:17 PM.

Discussion Items: Motion by Dan to discontinue negotiations with AEP. Second by Jason, roll call vote: Brock, no; Winell, yes; Jorgensen, yes; Ashbaugh, yes; Powell, no. Passed with 3/2 vote.

Board Member Comments: Next meeting is December 9, 2019 at 7 PM.

Adjournment: Motion by Dan to adjourn at 8:20 PM, second by Jason, passed.