

**The Board's Minutes of the East Donegal Township Board of Supervisors  
Held on December 3, 2009**

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of East Donegal Township was held on Thursday, December 3, 2009 at 8:00 PM in the East Donegal Township Municipal Building, 190 Rock Point Road, Marietta, PA 17547.

The meeting was called to order by Allen Esbensshade; Chairman of the Board.

Public attendance is attached.

**Roll call of Supervisors:** Present were Allen Esbensshade; Chairman, Dennis J. Drager; Vice Chairman, John Murphy; Member. Also present were Jeffrey Butler; Manager and Barbara Stoner; Secretary/Assistant Manager.

Mr. Murphy led with a Prayer and the Pledge to the Flag.

An opportunity for the public to make comments on items not on the agenda:  
None was heard.

An opportunity for the public to make comments on specific items on the agenda:  
None was heard.

A motion was made by Dennis Drager and seconded by John Murphy to approve the Minutes of November 5, 2009. Discussion: None. Vote: Mr. Murphy; yes, Mr. Esbensshade; yes, and Mr. Drager; yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by John Murphy and seconded by Dennis Drager to approve the Treasurer's Reports for the Municipality and the Fire Department. Discussion: None. Vote: Mr. Murphy; yes, Mr. Esbensshade; yes, and Mr. Drager; yes. Motion carried.

The Board acknowledges receipt of the Check Registers, Balance Sheets and Accounting Sheets (Budget Reports) for General Fund, Highway Aid, Subdivision, Trash and Recycling, Tax Account, Park and Recreation and Marietta Water Account dated October 31, 2009. These reports were mailed and received by each Board member. Acknowledgment was approved by a motion made by John Murphy and seconded by Dennis Drager. Vote: Mr. Murphy; yes, Mr. Esbensshade; yes, and Mr. Drager; yes. Motion carried.

Mrs. Stoner read the following:

The proposed budget for East Donegal Township was prepared by the Supervisors. The budget has been advertised and was open for inspection at the Municipal Building, 190 Rock Point Road, Marietta, PA 17547. The budget was open for inspection between the hours of 8:30 AM and 3:30 PM, Monday thru Thursday and Friday 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM, until time of consideration by the Board. This ad appeared in the Lancaster Newspapers on November 11, 2009.

The 2010 Budget for East Donegal Township will set the tax rate and special levies for the year ending December 31, 2010 and appropriating special estimated sums to be required for the purpose of the Township, herein after to be set forth during the current year.

Be it resolved that a tax will be and is hereby levied on all property and occupation (Local Services Tax) within said Township, subject to taxation for the Township purposes for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2010 as follows:

The tax rate for general Township and road purposes is set at the sum of 2.95 (.00295) mills on each \$1,000.00 (one thousand dollars) of assessed valuation for debt purposes. For the purpose of which said Supervisors of the Township are authorized by law to levy and collect taxes. In 2010 an assessment of \$100,000.00 X .00295 = \$295.00

2009 Actual Assessed Valuation is \$458,965,400.00  
2010 Estimated Assessed Valuation is \$474,163,400.00  
One mill of tax equals approximately \$474,163.40  
2.95 Mills = \$1,398,782.03

The budget did not include an increase in wages for full or part-time employees.

The Highway Aid Budget is \$192,356.89 for the year 2010. This is based on state shared revenue of motor vehicle fuel tax and road turnback program funding.

The flat rate for Trash and Recycling curbside pickup will be set at \$210.00 per unit per year with a \$10.00 discount if paid by Monday, March 1, 2010 making the discounted amount \$200.00. The Lancaster County Solid Waste Authority set the tipping fee at \$73.00 per ton for the year 2010. The trash and recycling current contract was awarded at \$112.97. Contract with York Waste will expire September 30, 2010.

Local Services Tax is the same as for 2010 as was in 2009 \$52.00.

Consent Calendar:

The following item was acted on by a single motion:

- a. A motion was made by Dennis Drager and seconded by John Murphy to approve the 2010 Budget for East Donegal Township. Discussion: Mr. Drager commended Jeffrey L. Butler; Township Manager and Barbara A. Stoner; Assistant Manager for doing a good job so that taxes did not have to be raised this year and he commended the office staff for working in 2010 for the same wage as in 2009. Mr. Murphy and Mr. Esbenshade concurred. Vote: Mr. Murphy; yes, Mr. Esbenshade; yes, and Mr. Drager; yes. Motion carried.

The following items b,c,d,e,f, g and h were approved by a motion made by Dennis Drager and seconded by John Murphy. Discussion: None. Vote: Mr. Murphy; yes, Mr. Esbenshade; yes and Mr. Drager; yes. Motion carried.

- b. Approved Resolution # 2010-1 Setting Tax Rate for General Township purposes to be the sum of 2.95 MILLS on each dollar of assessed valuation for the year 2010. This tax rate is the same as the year 2009.
- c. Approved Resolution # 2010-2 Setting Tax Rate for Marietta Gravity Water Hydrant Customers at  $\frac{3}{4}$  MILL on any property within seven hundred eighty feet (780') of any Marietta Gravity Water Hydrant for the fiscal year 2010.
- d. Approved Resolution #2010-4 Setting the salary of the Township Manager at \$81,466.30 for the year 2010. This salary is the same as the year 2009.
- e. Approved Resolution #2010-5 Setting the salary of the Township Assistant Manager at \$70,810.37. This salary is the same as the year 2009.
- f. Approved the request of Keystone Custom Homes for a Waiver of the Subdivision Plan processing, concerning Honeysuckle Drive, subject to the applicant entering into a Developers Agreement regarding completion of Roadway Improvements.
- g. Approved the Improvement Guarantee Reduction #2 for Edie Enterprises, LLC - Letter of Credit No. 08-025. Current Account Balance is \$154,546.73. The amount recommended to be reduced by Jeffrey L. Butler; Manager is \$67,571.20. This will leave a remaining balance of \$86,975.53.
- h. Approved the re-organization meeting of the Board of Supervisors to be held on Monday, January 4, 2010 at 4:30 PM in the Township Municipal Building.

**Police Report:** For the month of October 2009 there were 317 Incidents for Susquehanna Regional Police Department. Conoy 54, East Donegal 181, and Marietta 82.

**Zoning Officers Report:** For the month of November 2009 Permit #Z-009148 thru Permit #Z-009149 were issued. The amount submitted by Nancy Lenge, Zoning Officer for this month was \$237.00.

**Northwest Emergency Medical Services, Inc.:** For the month of November; 45 calls were answered in this Township. Total coverage of our area has been 396 calls to date for this year.

**Rheems Fire Department:** None received.

**Fire Department Mount Joy:** For the month of November there were 3 First Due calls and 2 Mutual Aid call was answered.

**East Donegal Township Park Commission:** None received.

**Adjourn:** A motion was made by Dennis Drager and seconded by John Murphy to adjourn at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted  
Barbara A. Stoner  
Secretary

The re-organization and next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Supervisors will be on Monday, January 4, 2010 at 4:30 PM in the Township Municipal Building.