## The Board's Minutes of the East Donegal Township Board of Supervisors Held on June 4, 2009

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of East Donegal Township met on Thursday, June 4, 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 Esbenshade; Chairman of the Board.

Public attendance is attached.

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

Mr. Murphy opened the meeting with a Prayer and the Pledge to the Flag.

An opportunity for the public to make comments on items not on the agenda.

Keith Vogt thanked the Board of Supervisors for opening their meetings with a prayer.

An opportunity for the public to make comments on specific items on the agenda.

Jason Trostle – Maytown East Donegal Township asked to address the Board when the time was proper. Mr. Esbenshade said he will call on him during the consent calendar review. Also they requested a key to the Riverfront Park Field lock.

A motion was made by Dennis Drager and seconded by John Murphy to approve the Minutes of May 5, 2009, May 7, 2009, May 15, 2009 and June 2, 2009. Discussion: None. Vote: Mr. Murphy; yes, Mr. Esbenshade; 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 was held on several items on the check register list. Vote: Mr. Murphy; yes, Mr. Esbenshade; 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 April 30, 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. Esbenshade; yes, and Mr. Drager; yes. Motion carried.

## Consent Calendar:

**Discussion on Item F.** Mr. Jason Trostle, of the Maytown East Donegal Township Fire Department said he was present to represent the Fire Department in place of Chief Kosheba. Mr. Trostle was hoping that someone would be present from 7-5 (Fire Department Mount Joy) to

discuss their proposed changes in the attached letter dated May 29, 2009. Mr. Trostle stated he just wanted to elaborate on the letter received from Mr. Kosheba dated June 4, 2009. The Fire Department Mount Joy runs a rescue from Columbia into Mount Joy Borough. This area of the Township where they are first due that they want to change would put Maytown's Rescue 3<sup>rd</sup> due and Rheems in 2nd due. Chief Hess' justification for this is because they are closer to that area than Maytown. Maytown is not disagreeing that they are closer but if Chief Hess is using that for justification in this area why doesn't he use it for justification in every other place that they run? Mr. Trostle said right now Chief Hess is running a rescue from Columbia. If Chief Hess is saying that he is using this change to justify running Rheems, that they are closer, than why doesn't he run Rheems or Maytown's rescue in other areas where they are closer instead of Columbia? Mr. Tony Mohr stated that FDMJ currently runs Columbia's rescue the whole way thru Maytown's first due of the Township and Mount Joy Borough. Mr. Mohr stated the question is if he is using that kind of judgment call and running that rescue thru East Donegal instead of using Maytown to Mount Joy Borough what kind of backing is he using.

Mr. Butler stated he received a call on 6/4/2009 from Chief Buddy Hess and the reason they are not present this evening is they are attending the Conditional Use Hearing in Rapho Township concerning the Ethanol Plant. Mr. Mohr stated he doubts that every chief officer Mount Joy has is over at Rapho. Mr. Butler asked for clarification on Adam's response. Mr. Mohr stated the justification Maytown has is that Chief Hess is running a rescue somewhere else thru the Township. Mr. Trostle stated they are saying if Chief Hess wants to be consistent in his boxes and be consistent across the board. Chief Hess is only using this unit so he doesn't need to run Maytown's rescue. Because he doesn't run Maytown in Mount Joy Borough either. Mr. Mohr stated currently for the last several months Maytown was running a high risk box at the Nursing Home right off of Union School Road now he is going back in... and also this is why we do not agree with the East Donegal....giving them the right to change boxes because they do it so frequently, and now they have taken Maytown off the high risk box and put Rheems rescue engine on instead of a suppression engine. It is just a way to get around not using Maytown. Mr. Mohr also stated the bottom line is Maytown had an issue with Rheems out in their area and they would run Mount Joy and then they would run Elizabethtown Borough and Maytown was not on the resources. Maytown had several documented incidents out there where there were accidents with entrapment and confinement and Rheems Fire Department failed their entire fire department and that was one of the discussions when Maytown took over that area from Chuck Stanford. Is Rheems closer? Yes, but there is more to it than just being closer if you can't fill an apparatus and get it out, what is the point.

Supervisor Murphy said you used the word document. Mr. Mohr said there was a crash with entrapment at Colebrook and Nolt Road. Mr. Mohr was at the Hostetter Hardware and thought he would come over to the scene. Nothing from Maytown was due on it. Mr. Mohr said he sat there and sat there and no response from Rheems Fire Department. EMS comes on the scene there was a class one trauma patient in the car, that is trapped, and the EMS is screaming at Mr. Mohr asking where is Maytown's rescue. Mr. Mohr said sorry it is not due out here. Rheems has failed their whole department. Rheems Department covers that area with E-town which is not closer than Maytown. Mount Joy has already gone two and three tones so a very, very large delay from that fire department happens. Mr. Murphy asked how many minutes between tones? Mr. Trostle answered four minutes between first dispatch and second dispatch then they dispatch

you a third time before they even think about replacing you. Supervisor Murphy asked, is the department that is dispatched, if they can't respond are they supposed to call in and say we cannot respond to this? Mr. Mohr said no they just don't do anything, they play the time game and it goes on and on. Then County dispatches and covers their units with another agency, then they need to wait for volunteers to come and they get the same amount of time. Mr. Mohr said it just baffles him to think of what Mr. Hess is up to here, Maytown did all this training with Mount Joy over the course of several months and all of a sudden they are changing Borough boxes again and they want to change Township boxes they want to go after more funding. Mr. Mohr said he is not sure what they are after. Other discussion was held.

The Board of Supervisors would like the Township Manager to ask the Lancaster County Control for some documentation and/or data on response of Emergency Vehicles of previous calls to the particular area of Carmana Estates.

Item f was tabled for further discussion at the July 2, 2009 Supervisors meeting and Mr. Hess; Chief of Fire Department Mount Joy will be contacted to be present at this meeting.

A motion was made by John Murphy and seconded by Dennis Drager to approve items a, b, c, d, e, g, and h and to table f.

Discussion was held on each of these items. Vote: Mr. Murphy; yes, Mr. Esbenshade; yes, and Mr. Drager; yes. Motion carried.

- a. Approved the season's road materials for 2009 as bid on June 2, 2009, as attached.
- b. Approved the Agricultural Security Area Application of KLE Partners (Keith Cramer, Erin E Cramer and C. Lynn Cramer), to have their farm of 95 acres added to the Township's Agricultural Security Area. Address of the property is 690 Kraybill Church Road.

This request was considered and approved by the East Donegal Township Planning Commission on Thursday, June 4, 2009 at 6:30 PM. The Township's Ag Security Board on Tuesday, May 26, 2009 at 7:30 AM also voted in favor of placing this parcel into the Township Ag Security Area.

- c. Approved Resolution # 2009-11. This Resolution will authorize the Township Manager to enter into a Service Contract for electric procurement thru the Lancaster County Purchasing Co-op Purchasing Board. The Board will utilize American Power Net Services, LP to go out for bids for electric service.
- d. Approved Reduction #1 in the Improvement Guarantee for Edie Waste Building "A". The current account balance is \$339,381.13. The reduction for consideration today is \$183,834.40. This will leave a remaining balance of \$154,546.73.
- e. Approved the reduction in the Improvement Guarantee of Donegal Mutual Insurance Company West Wing II Addition. Current account balance is \$173,719.70. The reduction for consideration is \$173,719.70 this will leave a balance of zero.

f. **TABLED** the following request by the Fire Department Mount Joy to change the rescue response for vehicle accident incidents in the following box alarm area:

Box 75-17/3417

From:

E75-2 (Rescue) FDMJ R79 Maytown E711-2 (Rescue) Rheems

E74-1 (Rescue) Elizabethtown

All remaining resources to stay unchanged.

To:

E75-2 (Rescue) FDMJ
E711-2 (Rescue) Rheems
R79 Maytown
E74-1 (Rescue) Elizabethtown

All remaining resources to stay unchanged.

This change is to ensure the closest and next closest Rescue Units will be dispatched. Changes submitted by Elmer E. Hess II Fire Chief FDMJ. This change request has been sent to Maytown-East Donegal Fire Chief Adam Kosheba for his review.

g. Approved waiving the subdivision and land development process for West Donegal Township concerning the Sweigart farm as requested by Nick Viscome; Township Manager of West Donegal. West Donegal Township removed the dogleg(s) on Bossler Road which bisected the Sweigart farm. In exchange for the land to relocate Bossler Road, a lot was created for the Sweigart's use. Part of the Sweigart farm is located in East Donegal Township. The creation of the new lot is completely within West Donegal Township. With this consideration by the Board of Supervisors of East Donegal Township, this will leave the required review to West Donegal Township.

h. Approved appointing David Houseal to the East Donegal Township Park Commission to fill an unexpired term. Mr. Houseal's term will expire on January 2011.

A motion was made by Dennis Drager and seconded by John Murphy to approve a yearly payment of \$200.00 to Municibid which is an online bidding option to sell municipal equipment. A legal ad still needs to be published in the newspaper. The municipality has complete control over the process and they also have the right to reject any or all bids. This is a process used by many municipalities and was presented at the PSATS annual convention.

Mr. Butler gave the Board of Supervisors correspondence from the first meeting of the Regional Fire Study. Mr. Stokes asked what the pros and con's are? Mr. Butler stated they just held the first meeting so it is very premature to have these answers, but this is part of the fact finding of the study. Interviews will be held of all involved.

**Police Report:** For the month of April 2009 there were 309 Incidents for Susquehanna Regional Police Department. Conoy 54, East Donegal 170 and Marietta 85.

**Zoning Officers Report:** For the month of May 2009 Permit #Z-009050 thru Permit #Z-009063 were issued. The amount submitted by Nancy Lengle, Zoning Officer for this month was \$1,195.00.

**Northwest Emergency Medical Services, Inc.:** For the month of May; 32 calls were answered in this Township. Total coverage of our area has been 175 calls to date for this year.

Rheems Fire Department: None received.

**Fire Department Mount Joy:** For the month of April there were 8 First Due calls and 1 Mutual Aid call was answered.

**East Donegal Township Park Commission:** Minutes for the month of May were received and distributed to the Board of Supervisors.

**Adjourn:** A motion was made by Dennis Drager and seconded by John Murphy to adjourn at 8:55 PM.

Respectfully Submitted

Barbara A. Stoner Secretary

## **ANNOUNCEMENT:**

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Supervisors will be on Thursday, July 2, 2009 at 8:00 PM. in the Township Municipal Building.