

The Board's Minutes of the East Donegal Township Board of Supervisors  
Held on November 7, 2013

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of East Donegal Township was held on Thursday, November 7, 2013 at 7:30 PM in the East Donegal Township Municipal Building, 190 Rock Point Road, Marietta, PA 17547.

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Dennis Drager.

Roll call of Supervisors: Present were Dennis J Drager, Chairman; Allen D. Esbenshade, Vice Chairman; John Murphy, Member.

Public attendance is attached.

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

An opportunity was given for the public to make comments on items included or not included on the agenda. Mike Ridgeway, Executive Director, of Dream Ride Projects was present to thank the Board of Supervisors for its continuing support of Dream Ride Lancaster. Mr. Ridgeway, Tom Barron, Kathy Lowell, and Kurt Malick each provided insight to the charities that benefit from the fundraising event. To date, the 2013 Dream Ride Lancaster event raised a total of \$76,581.88 for 22 participating charity organizations.

A resident of Castleton brought a number of issues to the Board's attention. First, he indicated that a number of parents picking-up their children at the bus stop located at Honeysuckle Drive and Ore Mine Road park in a "no-parking" area of the street. Due to the narrowness of the street in that location, it poses a safety hazard for vehicles and children exiting the bus. He mentioned that police officers have driven by without taking any action.

Second, he asked for some clarification on the assessment of the Township hydrant tax. It was indicated that the amount of the tax is based on property assessment and therefore varies from property to property. The method of assessment for special taxes, such as the hydrant tax, is set by the PA Second Class Township Code.

Third, he mentioned that the stop sign leaving Rivermoor onto Honeysuckle Drive is obscured by a tree branch. This makes seeing the sign difficult at times.

Finally, he inquired about Township ordinances that may address the need for dog owners to clean-up after their pets. The Board indicated there is an ordinance in place and that it's enforced by the Susquehanna Regional Police Department.

Mr. Butler indicated he will speak with the Police Chief regarding the parking and dog issues.

The Board approved the minutes for October 3, 2013 by a motion made by Mr. Esbenshade and seconded by Mr. Murphy. Discussion: None. Vote: Mr. Murphy; yes, Mr. Esbenshade; yes, Mr. Drager; yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Esbenshade and seconded by Mr. Murphy to approve the Treasurer's Reports for the Township and Maytown East Donegal Township Fire Department and approve the payment of all bills. Discussion none. Vote: Mr. Murphy; yes, Mr. Esbenshade; yes, and Mr. Drager; yes.

Chairman Drager acknowledged the receipt of the Balance Sheets with a printed date of October 21, 2013 for all Township Funds which were provided to each Supervisor.

Consent Calendar:

Chairman Drager called for comments on items on the Consent Calendar.

A motion was made by Mr. Murphy, and seconded by Mr. Esbenshade, to approve the following Consent Calendar items, "A" through "G". Vote: Mr. Murphy; yes, Mr. Esbenshade; yes and Mr. Drager; yes. Motion carried.

- A. Approved the request for waiver of the isolation distance between an existing well and proposed on-lot sewage disposal replacement system on property owned by Chris martin, located at 1424 Donegal Springs Road, as recommended by David Lockard, Sewage Enforcement Officer. The proposed isolation distance of 52 feet (instead of the required 100 feet) is the same distance between the existing well and the currently malfunctioning system.
- B. Approved the Improvement Guarantee reduction for Joseph Hess Stormwater Management Plan. Current Account Balance is \$16,156.00. The amount of the reduction recommended by the Township Engineer is \$0.00. The remaining balance of \$16,156.00 secures the completion of items indicated in the November 1, 2013, letter from David Miller/Associates, Inc.
- C. Approved the Improvement Guarantee reduction for R. Gordon Ziegler Stormwater Management Plan. Current Account Balance is \$51,692.30. The amount of the reduction recommended by the Township Engineer is \$41,692.30. The remaining balance of \$10,000.00 secures the completion of items indicated in the November 1, 2013, letter from David Miller/Associates, Inc.
- D. Approved entering into the Snow Season Contractor Agreement with Robert D. Shearer for a term ending October 31, 2014.

- E. Approved the Preliminary/Final Land Development & Lot Add-on Plan for Mount Joy Borough Authority, prepared by Arro, dated July, 2013, last revised October 3, 2013, , and granted the following modifications to Township requirements:

Modification to Chapter 22, Part 3, Section 302. - Preliminary Plan Processing – To waive the required filing of a preliminary plan application.

Modification to Chapter 22, Part 4, Section 403.1. – Plan Scale – To waive the required plan scale and permit a scale of 1"=10'.

Modification to Chapter 26, Part 1, Section 104.4. – Stormwater Management Plan Improvements.

The approval of the Preliminary/Final Land Development & Lot Add-on Plan and the granting of ordinance modifications are subject to the following conditions (all references are to the Code of Ordinances of East Donegal Township, unless noted otherwise):

Compliance with the review comments outline by David Miller/Associates, Inc. in a review letter dated November 5, 2013.

All plan certificates shall be completed and appropriate seals affixed prior to submission of mylars for Township signature. (Chapter 22, Part 4, Section 403.3.F.)

Payment of outstanding balance of plan review fees prior to submission of mylars for Township signature. (Chapter 22, Part 4, Section 403.4.)

The Applicant shall post Financial Security in the amount of 110% of the cost of completion estimated, reviewed and recommended by the Township Engineer, in a form acceptable to the Township prior to submission of mylars for signature. (Chapter 22, Part 3, Section 303.8.)

The Applicant's written acceptance of the conditions within thirty (30) days from receipt of written notice of plan approval by the Township Board of Supervisors, on a form provided by the Township. If the conditions are not accepted, the approval by the Board of Supervisors will be revoked, and the application will be denied for the reasons listed as conditions of approval of the Plan and ordinance modifications.

- F. Approved the Improvement Guarantee release for Harold Martin (Eli Fisher) Final Subdivision Plan. Current Account Balance is \$2000.00. The amount of the reduction

recommended by the Township Engineer is \$2000.00. The new account balance would be \$0.00.

- G. Approved executing contract with White, Rudy & Company LLP for the preparation of the audit for the year ending December 31, 2013, as outlined in the November 4, 2013 letter from White, Rudy & Company LLP. The estimated fee for the services provided is \$8,800.00

#### Liaison Assignment Reports

- A. Administration/Personnel - Supervisor Esbenshade - None
- B. Finance - Supervisor Murphy indicated that the Township received a rebate of \$1,835.24 through the use of the PLIGIT Procurement Card for purchases.
- C. Parks and Recreation - Supervisor Esbenshade indicated that the Park Commission will not meeting in November 2013 or December 2013.
- D. Planning and Development - Supervisor Drager - None
- E. Public Safety - Supervisor Murphy - None
- F. Public Works - Supervisor Drager - None

#### Announcements

Donegal Intermediate School open house is scheduled for Sunday, November 10, 2013, 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM

Registration is open for enrollment in the PSATS Municipal Government Academy

Maytown Winter Festival (Maytown Historical Society), Saturday, December 14, 2013, 10:00 AM- 4:00 PM.

2013 Agricultural Summit: Preserving the Farmer and the Farm, Thursday, November 21, 2013 from 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM at the Farm and Home Center.

The Milanof-Schock Library will hold its benefit auction Friday, November 8, 2013 starting at 5:30 PM at The Gather Place in Mount Joy.

#### Reports

Zoning Officer's report: For the month of October 2013, Permit #Z-013119 through Permit #Z-013134 was issued for a total value of \$981,280.00. Total Zoning Fees collected equaled \$11,242.00.

Roadmaster's Report: The October 2013 Report was received.

Northwest Emergency Medical Services Report: For October 2013 Northwest EMS responded to 53 calls in East Donegal Township. Through the end of October, Northwest EMS has responded to 501 calls in East Donegal Township in 2013.

Fire Department Mount Joy Report: For the month of October 2013, the Fire Department responded to 5 calls in East Donegal Township.

Maytown East Donegal Township Fire Department: No report was given at this time.

Rheems Fire Department: No report was given at this time.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors will be held on Thursday, December 5, 2013 at 7:30 PM.

Adjourn: A motion was made by Mr. Esbenshade and seconded by Mr. Murphy to adjourn at 8:25 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jeffrey L. Butler, Township Secretary