

East Donegal Township
Board of Supervisors
Meeting Minutes
February 5, 2015

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of East Donegal Township was held on Thursday, February 5, 2015 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 J. Drager.

Supervisor Esbensshade led with a Prayer and Pledge to the Flag.

Mr. Michael Fritz, Long Lane, was again present to ask about truck traffic on Long Lane. He mentioned that truck traffic is still higher than it was prior to the posting of weight limits by PennDOT on various bridges. Mr. Fritz mentioned a few firms that had trucks past his residence on Long Lane. Mr. Esbensshade indicated that he knew someone at one of the firms that he could contact and to determine, if, and why, trucks are specifically routed using Long Lane.

Mr. David Eichler was present to discuss the item on the Board's agenda regarding the request for placement of dock boxes within Riverfront Park. Mr. Eichler, representing the Donegal School District's Donegal Experimental Education Program (DEEP), briefly described the program of placing nesting boxes in the area of the restored wetlands in Riverfront Park. In response to questions from the Board, Mr. Eichler indicated that the placement and maintenance of the boxes will be done by the staff and students of DEEP. They will coordinate access to the area of the park with Township staff. A motion was made by Mr. Murphy and seconded by Mr. Esbensshade to approve the request to place bird nesting boxes for ducks within Riverfront Park in the area of the wetland restoration project. Discussion: None. Vote: Mr. Murphy; yes, Mr. Esbensshade; yes, Mr. Drager; yes. Motion carried.

Ms. Ashley Jensen was present to discuss the request before the Board regarding the use of the Riverfront Park Pavilion and the Township's portion of the Northwest Lancaster County River Trail for the first Fun Run/Walk to benefit the Bainbridge volunteer fire company. The fundraising event will take place on Saturday, May 16, 2015. The event will occur between 9:00 AM and noon. Ms. Jensen indicated that registration will occur at the park, the runners/walks will then head north to the finish at Bainbridge and will be shuttled back to the park following the event. A motion was made by Mr. Esbensshade and seconded by Mr. Murphy to approve the use of the Riverfront park pavilion and Township's segment of the Northwest Lancaster County River Trail for the Saturday, May 16, 2015, Bainbridge Fire Company's Fun Run/Walk. Discussion: None. Vote: Mr. Murphy; yes, Mr. Esbensshade; yes, Mr. Drager; yes. Motion carried.

The Board approved the minutes for January 5, 2015, by a motion made by Mr. Esbensshade and seconded by Mr. Murphy. Discussion: None. Vote: Mr. Murphy; yes, Mr. Esbensshade; yes, Mr. Drager; yes. Motion carried. Mr. Drager announced that an executive session was held by the

Board on Wednesday, February 21, 2015, for the purpose of interviewing candidates for the appointment of Township Engineer.

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.

Mr. Drager acknowledged the receipt of the Balance Sheets for all Township Funds which were mailed to each Supervisor dated January 27, 2015.

A motion was made by Mr. Murphy and seconded by Mr. Esbenshade to reappointment the firm of David Miller/Associates, Inc. as the Township Engineer. Discussion none. Vote: Mr. Murphy, yes; Mr. Esbenshade, yes; and Mr. Drager; yes.

A motion was made by Mr. Murphy and seconded by Mr. Esbenshade to appoint the firm of Becker Engineering as the Alternate Township Engineer. Discussion none. Vote: Mr. Murphy, yes; Mr. Esbenshade, yes; and Mr. Drager; yes.

A motion was made by Mr. Esbenshade and seconded by Mr. Murphy to approve the request of The Susquehanna Valley Chamber of Commerce for use of Riverfront Park and the East Donegal Township portion of the Northwest Lancaster County River Trail for the 5th Chiques Challenge (a running and kayaking event) to take place on Saturday, August 8, 2015. The time of the event is 7:00 AM to 11:00 AM. The actual time spent using the trail is approximately 8:30 AM to 9:45 AM. Vote: Mr. Murphy, yes; Mr. Esbenshade, yes; and Mr. Drager; yes.

A motion was made by Mr. Esbenshade and seconded by Mr. Murphy to approve the Township Manager's attendance of the Annual Managers Conference of the Association for Pennsylvania Municipal Management to be held May 19-21, 2015. Mr. Butler indicated that this year's conference will be held jointly with the New Jersey Municipal Managers Association. The conference will be held in Long Branch, New Jersey. Vote: Mr. Murphy, yes; Mr. Esbenshade, yes; and Mr. Drager; yes.

A motion was made by Mr. Esbenshade and seconded by Mr. Murphy to approve the Stormwater Management Plan for Kenton L. Sweigart Dairy Operation, prepared by Red Barn Consulting, Inc., dated September 2, 2014, last revised January 2, 2015 and grant the following modifications to Township requirements:

Modification to Chapter 28, Part 4, Section 402.D. – Plan Scale – To waive the plan to be prepared at a scale of 1"=200' and 1"=80' in lieu of a scale of 1"=50'.

The approval of the Stormwater Management Plan and the granting of ordinance modifications are subject to the following conditions:

Compliance with the review comments outline by David Miller/Associates, Inc. in a review letter dated January 6, 2015.

All plan certificates shall be completed and appropriate seals affixed prior to submission of plan for Township signature.

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.

Discussion none. Vote: Mr. Murphy, yes; Mr. Esbensshade, yes; and Mr. Drager; yes.

A motion was made by Mr. Murphy and seconded by Mr. Esbensshade to approve the request of Glenn Orr for use of Riverfront Park after hours to hold a catfish fishing tournament on July 18, 2015. It was indicated that this is the second year for the event. Vote: Mr. Murphy, yes; Mr. Esbensshade, yes; and Mr. Drager; yes.

A motion was made by Mr. Esbensshade and seconded by Mr. Murphy to approve adoption of Ordinance 2015-3, an Ordinance to amend the Code of Ordinance of the Township of East Donegal, Chapter 13 (Licenses, Permits and General Business Regulations), Part 4 (Comcast of Colorado/Florida/Michigan/New Mexico/Pennsylvania/Washington, LLC, Cable Television Franchise), to provide for the renewal of the Cable Television Franchise. It was discussed that the term of the renewal is ten years. Vote: Mr. Murphy, yes; Mr. Esbensshade, yes; and Mr. Drager; yes.

A motion was made by Mr. Esbensshade and seconded by Mr. Murphy to authorize the Township Manager to prepare the necessary ordinance to prohibit parking along northbound Route 441 in the area extending from the Township boundary with West Hempfield Township to Mt. Pleasant Road. The prohibition of parking in this area was suggested during a meeting to discuss traffic issues associated with the increased use of the Northwest Lancaster County River Trail following the completion of the pedestrian bridge over Chickies Creek. There were a number of suggested actions that were conveyed to PennDOT, including the reduction in the posted speed limit. PennDOT responded that the reduction in speed is not warranted, however, the municipalities involved could take the initiative to post the area "No Parking", provided the municipalities purchase, install and assume maintenance of the signs. West Hempfield Township is also considering the posting of the "No Parking" signs for its portion of the roadway. Vote: Mr. Murphy, yes; Mr. Esbensshade, yes; and Mr. Drager; yes.

A motion was made by Mr. Esbensshade and seconded by Mr. Murphy approve the Improvement Guarantee release for R. Gordon Ziegler Stormwater Management Plan. Current

Account Balance is \$10,000.00. The release is subject to compliance with the review letter from David Miller/Associates, Inc., and dated January 9, 2015, requiring easement to be shown on approved stormwater management plan. Discussion none. Vote: Mr. Murphy, yes; Mr. Esbenshade, yes; and Mr. Drager; yes.

1. Liaison Assignment Reports –

- A. Administration/Personnel - Supervisor Esbenshade – None.
- B. Finance - Supervisor Murphy – None.
- C. Parks and Recreation - Supervisor Esbenshade noted that the minutes of the January Park Commission meeting have been provided to the Board of Supervisors.
- D. Planning and Development - Supervisor Drager – None.
- E. Public Safety - Supervisor Murphy informed the Board that the Susquehanna Regional Police Department has extended an offer of employment to a new full-time officer.
- F. Public Works - Supervisor Drager noted that the winter wheater has kept the road crew busy. As an indication, the Township took delivery of almost 250 tons of salt in the month of January.

Announcements

Work is being done to complete the transfer of ownership of the Chickies Creek Day Use Area from Lancaster County to the Township. The transfer should be completed by the end of February.

Mr. Esbenshade stated that someone had contacted him regarding the property located along Anderson Ferry Road, opposite the Donegal Junior High School.

Zoning Officer's report: For the month of January 2015, Permit #Z-015001 through Permit #Z-015003 was issued for a total value of \$1,152,650.00. Total Zoning Fees collected equaled \$7,417.00.

Roadmaster's Report: The January 2015 Report was received.

Northwest Emergency Medical Services Report: For January 2015 Northwest EMS responded to 51 calls in East Donegal Township.

Fire Department Mount Joy Report: For the month of January 2015, the Fire Department Mount Joy responded to 0 first due 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.

A motion was made by Mr. Esbenshade and seconded by Mr. Murphy to adjourn at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jeffrey L. Butler, Township Secretary

The organizational meeting of the Board of Supervisors will be held on **Thursday, March 5, 2015 at 7:30 PM**