

The Board's Minutes of the East Donegal Township Board of Supervisors
Held on October 7, 2021

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of East Donegal Township was held on Thursday, October 7, 2021, at 7:00 PM in the East Donegal Township Municipal Building, 190 Rock Point Road, Marietta, PA 17547.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jones.

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

Roll call of Supervisors: Present were Chairman Tom Jones, Vice-Chairman Allen D. Esbenshade, Supervisor John Murphy, and Jeffrey Butler, Township Manager. Also present was Matthew Creme, Township Solicitor.

Mr. Creme announced that the Board of Supervisors held an executive session with the Township Solicitor from 6:15 pm to 7:00 pm, prior to the beginning of the regular meeting of the Board. The topic of the executive session was a potential matter of litigation related to an item on the Board's agenda.

Mr. Jones indicated that the Board would consider the agenda item regarding 450 Pinkerton Road as the first matter of business to allow for Mr. Creme to leave the meeting.

Mr. Creme provided background information regarding the Notice and Violation issued for ordinance violations at 450 Pinkerton Road. Mr. Creme indicated that although the property owner applied for a Special Exception with the Township Zoning Hearing Board, there was no appeal filed to the Notice of Violation. The Board discussed potential actions to enforce the Notice of Violation.

A motion was made by Mr. Murphy, and seconded by Mr. Esbenshade, to authorize the Township Solicitor to file an enforcement action on the Notice of Violation issued for 450 Pinkerton Road on July 6, 2021 and authorize the Township Manager to sign the necessary documents on behalf of the Township.

Vote: Mr. Murphy; yes, Mr. Esbenshade; yes and Mr. Jones; yes. Motion carried.

Ms. Bridey Hannold, 9 North River Street stated that physical obstacles may limit the ability to place the multi-way stop signs to be considered at the intersection of Church Street and Taylor Street.

She also expressed an interest in receiving any policy that may be in place for the selective enforcement of no-parking signs.

Mr. Steve Stradford, 76 Ashley Drive, raised the concern of speeding on Ashley Drive in the area of Price Place. He also suggested the placement of a “No Outlet” sign be placed on Price Place. To address speeding, he asked if physical improvements, such as speed bumps be placed on Ashley Drive.

The Board approved the minutes for the September 2, 2021, regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors by a motion made by Mr. Esbenshade and seconded by Mr. Murphy. Discussion: None. Vote: Mr. Murphy; yes, Mr. Esbenshade; yes and Mr. Jones; yes. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Murphy and seconded by Mr. Esbenshade to approve the Treasurer’s Reports for the Township and approve the payment of Township bills. Discussion: none. Vote: Mr. Murphy; yes, Mr. Esbenshade; yes and Mr. Jones; yes. Motion carried.

FUND	AMOUNT	CHECK #'s
General Fund	\$416,240.35	52108-52142
Trash and Recycling Fund	\$ 55,089.29	1967-1974
Subdivision Escrow Fund	\$ 2,334.14	574
TOTAL	\$473,663.78	

Mr. Jones acknowledged the Board’s receipt of the Balance Sheets for the period ending August 31, 2021, for all Township Funds.

Old Business.

Release of Financial Security – Final Subdivision Plan for Etters/Kauffman Subdivision

A motion was made by Mr. Esbenshade, and seconded by Mr. Murphy, to approve the release of financial securities posted for the Final Subdivision Plan for Etters/Kauffman Subdivision in the amount of \$47,285.70, as recommended in the letter from David Miller/Associates, Inc., dated September 24, 2021.

Discussion: None. Vote: Mr. Murphy; yes, Mr. Esbenshade; yes and Mr. Jones; yes. Motion carried.

Maytown East Donegal Township Fire Department – Rescue 791 Replacement Project

Mr. Dan Houseal, Maytown East Donegal Township Fire Department Deputy Chief, was present to discuss the Department’s efforts to replace its current Rescue Unit. He presented a working drawing of the Rescue unit being designed by Seagrave Fire Apparatus. Although the design is still being refined, the estimated cost of the unit shown on the plan is \$1,199,394.00, including the outfitting the unit.

There was general discussion regarding the size of the unit and some of the design aspects. Deputy Chief Houseal indicated that the unit should have a 20-year life expectancy.

Fire Department President Adam Kosheba indicated that he estimates annual payments of \$70,000 to \$77, 000 per year if the purchase of the unit is financed.

There was general discussion regarding the need for the unit and alternatives explored by the Department.

Mr. Frank Splain, 125 Stirrup Lane, stated that he remembered a commitment from the Lancaster County Solid Waste Authority for a donation toward fire apparatus. Mr. Houseal indicated that Purdue has expressed an interest in donating toward the purchase of the unit.

Deputy Chief Houseal indicated that the Department will be back with additional details regarding the design as they are finalized, and information regarding pricing of the unit.

New Business.

Resolution 2021-5, Planning Module for New Land Development, 352 Oak Lane Subdivision
A motion was made by Mr. Murphy, and seconded by Mr. Esbenshade, to adopt Resolution 2021-5 approving the Sewage Facilities Planning Module for the 352 Oak Lane Subdivision, and its submittal to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection.

Discussion: None. Vote: Mr. Murphy; yes, Mr. Esbenshade; yes and Mr. Jones; yes.
Motion carried.

Consider Multiway Stop, Church Street and Taylor Street.

A motion was made by Mr. Esbenshade, and seconded by Mr. Murphy, to authorize the Township Manager to advertise an ordinance to permit the installation of multiway stop signs at the intersection of Church Street and Taylor Street.

Discussion: None. Vote: Mr. Murphy; yes, Mr. Esbenshade; yes and Mr. Jones; yes.
Motion carried.

2022 Budget Workshop – Special Meeting October 19, 2021.

A motion was made by Mr. Murphy, and seconded by Mr. Esbenshade, to authorize the Township Manager to advertise a special meeting of the Board of Supervisors for Tuesday, October 19, 2021, at 4:00 PM. The purpose of the special meeting is to discuss the preparation of the 2022 Township Budget and any other matters that may come before the Board.

Discussion: None. Vote: Mr. Murphy; yes, Mr. Esbenshade; yes and Mr. Jones; yes.
Motion carried.

Snow Season Contractor Agreement with Twin Lane LLC.

A motion was made by Mr. Esbensshade, and seconded by Mr. Murphy, to authorize entering into a Snow Season Contractor Agreement with Twin Lane LLC at an hourly rate of \$180.00 per hour for the term extending from November 1, 2021, to October 31, 2022.

Discussion: None. Vote: Mr. Murphy; yes, Mr. Esbensshade; yes and Mr. Jones; yes. Motion carried.

Placement of Signs In Right of Way – Maytown Historical Society Banner Project.

A motion was made by Mr. Murphy, and seconded by Mr. Esbensshade, to approve the placement of 24 banners as proposed by the Maytown Historical Society within the public right-of-way as requested, subject to the granting of a special exception by the Township Zoning Hearing Board allowing the banners as a use not specified in the zoning ordinance.

Mr. Butler explained that the banners proposed by the Maytown Historical Society are not specifically provided for within the Township zoning regulations. To address this, the Historical Society has filed an application with the Township Zoning Hearing Board for a special exception. The type of sign most like that being proposed by the Historical Society, and currently permitted by ordinance, requires the approval of the Township Board of Supervisors for placement in a street right-of-way. In anticipation of any such similar condition of approval of the Zoning Hearing Board, the Historical Society is seeking the approval from the Board of Supervisors prior to the Zoning Hearing Board meeting.

Vote: Mr. Murphy; yes, Mr. Esbensshade; yes and Mr. Jones; yes. Motion carried.

Award Lease of Farmland Within Riverfront Park

A motion was made by Mr. Esbensshade, and seconded by Mr. Murphy, to award the farm lease for Riverfront Park to Hess Dairy Farms, Inc., based on bids received and opened on Thursday, September 30, 2021, and listed below:

BIDDER	BID SUBMITTED
Hess Dairy Farm, Inc.	\$342.00 per acre
Jonathan Deiter	\$301.00 per acre

Discussion: None. Vote: Mr. Murphy; yes, Mr. Esbensshade; yes and Mr. Jones; yes. Motion carried.

Copies of the September 2021 Zoning/Building Report were provided to the Board. For the month, 7 Zoning Permits and 0 UCC permits were issued. The total value of construction authorized equaled \$43,094.00. Permit fees collected were \$591.00. There were 14 zoning inspections and 29 UCC inspections conducted during the month.

The Board received copies of the September 2021 Roadmaster Report.

The Board received copies of the August 2021 Milanof-Schock Library Report.

For August 2021, Northwest EMS responded to 34 calls in East Donegal Township. To date, Northwest EMS has responded to 404 calls in East Donegal Township.

For July 2021, Fire Department Mount Joy responded to 2 first due calls in East Donegal Township.

Maytown East Donegal Township Fire Department – No Report.

The Board received copies of the East Donegal Township Municipal Authority Meeting Minutes for August 17, 2021.

The Board received copies of the East Donegal Sewer Authority Meeting Minutes for May 18, 2021, June 15, 2021, July 22, 2021, and August 17, 2021.

The Board received copies of the Township Park Commission Meeting Minutes for August 28, 2021.

The Board received copies of the Susquehanna Regional Police Commission Meeting Minutes for August 3, 2021.

The Board received copies of the October 2021 PSATS NewsBulletin.

The Board received copies of the Township Zoning Hearing Board agenda for October 13, 2021

The Board was reminded of the Lancaster County Association of Township Supervisors Annual Convention scheduled for Monday, November 1, 2021.

The Board received copies of the Marietta-Donegal Joint Authority Audit Report and Annual Report to PA Department of Community & Economic Development for the year ended December 31, 2020.

Liaison Assignment Reports

Administration/Personnel – None.

Finance –None.

Parks and Recreation – None.

Planning and Development –None.

Public Safety – Mr. Murphy stated that the Susquehanna Regional Police Commission will be meeting to discuss the Department’s 2022 budget.
Public Works – None.

Adjournment

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

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey L. Butler
Township Manager/Secretary

The next regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors will be held on Thursday, November 4, 2021, at 7:00 PM at the East Donegal Township Municipal Building, 190 Rock Point Road, Marietta PA 17547.