

The Board's Minutes of the East Donegal Township Board of Supervisors
Held on August 1, 2024

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of East Donegal Township was held on Thursday, August 1, 2024 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 Supervisor Allen Esbenshade.

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

Roll call of Supervisors: Present were Supervisors Allen Esbenshade, Michael Brubaker and Kenton Sweigart. Also present was Jeffrey Butler, Township Manager.

Mr. Esbenshade opened the meeting for public comment on items not on the agenda.

Mr. Steve Hoover, 35 Farmington Lane, inquired about the selection process of the Board for the appointment of Township Supervisor. He also thanked the Board for the second portable toilet in Fuhrman Park at the terminus of Saddleback Drive.

Ms. Tina Filizzi, 1160 Long Lane, expressed concern regarding the speeding on Long Lane and asked if a committee has been formed.

Ms. Bridey Hannold, 9 North River Street, stated she believed it was odd that the vacancy on the Board of Supervisors was not advertised.

Mr. Ed Strickler, 1172 Long Lane, stated that speeding has increased on Long Lane during the closure of the Iron Bridge Road bridge.

Ms. Barbara VanAulen, 1804 Mansion Lane, informed the Board about issues she's experiencing with burning being done by her neighbor. She suggested that changes be made to the Township burning regulations. Her concerns were repeated by others that had visited her property.

Ms. Bridey Hannold, 9 North River Street, stated Marietta Borough adopted a ordinance to address burning while she was a Borough Council member.

The Board approved the minutes for the July 3, 2024 regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors, and the July 16, 2024 work session of the Board of Supervisors, by a motion made by Mr. Brubaker and seconded by Mr. Sweigart. Discussion: None. Vote: Mr. Sweigart: yes, Mr. Brubaker: yes, and Mr. Esbenshade; yes. Motion passed.

Old Business.

None.

New Business.

Revised Stormwater Management Plan for Donegal Poultry Expansion

A motion was made by Mr. Brubaker, and seconded by Mr. Sweigart, to approve the Revised Stormwater Management Plan for Donegal Poultry Expansion, prepared by TeamAg, Inc., dated February 7, 2012, last revised June 20, 2024.

The approval of the stormwater management plan is subject to the following conditions:

Compliance with the review comments outline by David Miller/Associates, Inc. in a review letter dated July 3, 2024.

Applicant providing financial security in the amount of \$15,521.00 to guarantee completion of stormwater management improvements.

The Applicant's written acceptance of any 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.

Discussion: None. Vote: Mr. Sweigart; yes, Mr. Brubaker; yes, and Mr. Esbenshade, yes. Motion passed.

Preliminary/Final Land Development Plan for GSK Marietta – Extension of Time

A motion was made by Mr. Esbenshade, and seconded by Mr. Brubaker, to accept the extension of time for consideration of the Preliminary/Final Land Development Plan for GSK Marietta until November 7, 2024, as granted by the applicant.

Discussion: None. Vote: Mr. Sweigart; yes, Mr. Brubaker; yes, and Mr. Esbenshade, yes. Motion passed.

Resolution 2024-5, Resolution for Plan Revision for New Land Development – Wolgemuth Residential Conversion

A motion was made by Mr. Brubaker, and seconded by Mr. Esbenshade, to adopt Resolution 2024-5 approving the Sewage Facilities Planning Module for the Wolgemuth Residential Conversion and its submittal to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection.

Discussion: Mr. Butler explained that the Planning Module is related to the conversion of the existing pool house into living quarters. Vote: Mr. Sweigart; yes, Mr. Brubaker; yes, and Mr. Esbenshade, yes. Motion passed.

Resolution 2024-6 Approving Contract Change Order for Donegal Springs Road Improvements Project

A motion was made by Mr. Brubaker, and seconded by Mr. Sweigart, to adopt Resolution 2024-6 approving contract Change Order 1 for an increase in the amount of \$2,820.00 for the Donegal Springs Road Improvements Project.

Discussion: None. Vote: Mr. Sweigart; yes, Mr. Brubaker; yes, and Mr. Esbenshade, yes. Motion passed.

Appointment of Supervisor to Serve as Alternate Representative on the Susquehanna Regional Police Commission

A motion was made by Mr. Brubaker, and seconded by Mr. Esbenshade, to approve the appointment of Supervisor Kenton Sweigart as the East Donegal Township Alternate Representative to the Susquehanna Regional Police Commission replacing Supervisor Michael Brubaker.

Discussion: None. Vote: Mr. Sweigart; yes, Mr. Brubaker; yes, and Mr. Esbenshade, yes. Motion passed.

Purchase Of Pavilion and Authorize Assembly/Installation Services for Chickies Creek Day Use Area

A motion was made by Mr. Sweigart, and seconded by Mr. Brubaker, to table any action approving purchase of a new pavilion at Chickies Creek Day Use Area until other options are explored to reduce the total cost of the project.

Vote: Mr. Sweigart; yes, Mr. Brubaker; yes, and Mr. Esbenshade, yes. Motion passed.

Sale of Items Listed on MuniBid

A motion was made by Mr. Brubaker, and seconded by Mr. Sweigart, to approve the sale of the following items listed on the MuniBid website for high bids received on Tuesday, July 23, 2024:

1972 Caterpillar 14E Road Grader with Plow - \$7,100.00

Pull-behind Street Sweeper - \$250.00

2009 Belmont Trailer – 6' X 12' - \$1,550.00

Discussion: None. Vote: Mr. Sweigart; yes, Mr. Brubaker; yes, and Mr. Esbenshade, yes. Motion passed.

Receipt of Intergovernmental Insurance Cooperative Surplus Funds.

A motion was made by Mr. Esbenshade, and seconded by Mr. Sweigart, to approve utilizing funds received from the Intergovernmental Insurance Cooperative totaling \$97,562.71 for payment of health insurance premiums.

Discussion: None. Vote: Mr. Sweigart; yes, Mr. Brubaker; yes, and Mr. Esbenshade, yes. Motion passed.

PennDOT Notice of Speed Limit Change – PA Route 772.

Mr. Brubaker acknowledged the receipt of a letter from the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation indicating that the Department has completed the speed study requested by the Township for Route 772 and as a result, will be lowering the posted speed limit to 50 miles per hour.

A motion was made by Mr. Sweigart and seconded by Mr. Brubaker to approve the Treasurer’s Reports for the Township and approve the payment of Township bills.

Discussion: None. Vote: Mr. Sweigart; yes, Mr. Brubaker; yes, and Mr. Esbenshade; yes. Motion passed.

FUND	AMOUNT	CHECK #'s
General Fund	\$248,673.33	53210-53242
Trash and Recycling Fund	\$ 59,838.80	2216-2222
Subdivision Escrow Fund	\$ 19,324.07	633-637
TOTAL	\$327,836.20	

Mr. Esbenshade acknowledged the Board’s receipt of the Balance Sheets for the period ending June 30, 2024, for all Township Funds.

Copies of the July 2024 Zoning/Building Report were provided to the Board. For the month, a total of 12 permits were issued (8 Zoning Permits, 2 UCC Permits, and 2 combination Zoning/UCC Permits). The total value of construction authorized equaled \$400,768.00. Permit fees collected totaled \$2,682.00. There were 18 zoning inspections and 49 UCC inspections conducted in the month.

The Board received copies of the July 2024 Township Roadmaster Report.

The Board received copies of the East Donegal Township Planning Commission’s June 13, 2024 meeting minutes.

The Board received copies of the East Donegal Sewer Authority June 18, 2024 meeting minutes.

The Board received copies of the Marietta Donegal Joint Authority June 25, 2024 meeting minutes.

The Board received copies of the Municipal Emergency Services Authority of Lancaster County June 26, 2024 meeting minutes.

The Board received copies of the GEARS Board of Directors June 18, 2024 meeting minutes.

The Board received copies of the East Donegal Township Park Commission May 23, 2024 meeting minutes.

Liaison Assignment Reports

Administration/Personnel - None.

Finance – None.

Parks and Recreation-Mr. Butler announced that a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new Fitness Court will be held August 6, 2024 at 3:00 PM. National Night Out activities sponsored by the Susquehanna Regional Police Department will also be held August 6, 2024, starting at 6:00 PM. The final Music In The Park evening is Sunday, August 18, 2024 and will feature free ice cream.

Planning and Development – None.

Public Safety –Deputy Chief Houseal gave an update on the progress of the new rescue apparatus. It's anticipated that the new unit will be in-service by the end of January 2025.

Public Works – None.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Brubaker and seconded by Mr. Sweigart to adjourn at 8:20 PM. Vote: Mr. Sweigart; yes, Mr. Brubaker, yes; and Mr. Esbenshade, yes. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeffrey L. Butler, Township Secretary