

MINUTES of MEETING
Durham Township Board of Supervisors
Tuesday, May 9, 2017
Township Building Meeting Room

Present: **Supervisors:** Bartley E. Millett, Chairman
Richard M. Johnson, Vice Chairman
Kathy Gentner, Member

Secretary: Dani McClanahan

Solicitor: Peter Nelson, Esquire

Zoning Officer: *Not in Attendance*

Road Master: Andy Volak

Absent: None

Meeting called to order by Chairman Bartley E. Millett at 7:37 PM. Most stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Community Award:

Ryan Pankoe, EMT-P, Executive Director/Chief Upper Bucks Regional EMS, Inc. was onsite to recognize the lifesaving actions from some of our Community Hero's and commend them for it.

On September 8, 2016, Mr. Kevin Brown was at his home with contractor Dan Apgar. Mr. Brown collapsed; one of Mr. Brown's family members activated 911 and Dan Apgar and began CPR. It took approximately 10 minutes from the time the 911 call was placed for two ambulances and Paramedics to arrive on the scene. When Paramedics arrived, Mr. Brown was not breathing and his heart was not beating; Paramedics applied EKG monitor, employed the defibrillator and placed a breathing tube. Chief Pankoe stated that brain death can occur, without intervention, within 4 minutes; even with expensive equipment, all of the experience and training, if Dan Apgar did not initiate immediate CPR as he did while the ambulances were responding, Mr. Brown would not be sitting here today. Mr. Brown was clinically dead without the actions of Dan Apgar, Bucks EMS dispatch, the paramedics and the EMT's you see before you.

In recognition of these heroic actions, Chief Pankoe presented the American Heart Association Heart Saver Hero Award in recognition of advancing the mission of the American Heart Association and Emergency Cardio Vascular Care through a courageous act in an effort to save a life. Recipients: Dan Apgar; EMTs: Daniel Albee, Vera Deacon and Brett Wimmer. Paramedic Barbara Stebulis and former employee Paramedic David Katz were involved in the incident, but unable to attend that night.

Approval of Minutes from April 11, 2017 Regular Meeting

The Vice Chairman made a motion to approve the Minutes as presented, the Chairman seconded the motion. All in favor.

Approval of Financial Report Ending April 30, 2017

The Vice Chairman made a motion to approve the Financial Report as presented, the Chairman seconded the motion. All in favor.

Review & Approval of Accounts Payable / Payroll for May 2017

The Vice Chairman made a motion to approve the Accounts Payable / Payroll as presented, the Chairman seconded the motion. All in favor.

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- Supervisor Gentner has elected to receive compensation as permitted by the Second Class Township Code. Supervisor salaries are paid out quarterly; Ms. Gentner' first allocation is included with the May Accounts Payable.

Updates:

- Chairman Millett authorized bid specifications to be advertised for both the CP-2 and FB Modified pavement applications for Kintner Road. Bids will be opened at the BOS June meeting.
- Draft Code of Conduct was provided for the Supervisors to review and will be discussed at the June BOS meeting.
- Resignation received from Andrew Volak, Jr., last day is May 12, 2017. Chairman Millett made a motion to accept Andrew Volak Jr. resignation; Vice Chairman Johnson seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0

New Business:

- Review Bereavement Policy. Discussion regarding the addition of 'Mother In-law and Father In-law' as qualifying family members for employees to receive bereavement pay. Chairman Millett made a motion to amend the current DT Bereavement Policy to include Mother In-law and Father In-law and to grant 2 days back pay of bereavement benefits to Road Master Andy Volak for time lost. Vice Chairman Johnson seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0.

Old Business:

- First Draft Compressor Station Ordinance – Chairman Millett made a motion to send the draft ordinance to Bucks County Planning Commission for review and comments. Vice Chairman Johnson seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0.

Zoning & Building Report:

Zoning Officer Ed Child was not present, Township Administrator Dani McClanahan read the provided report aloud;

Permits Issued:

- Building permit issued to Upper Bucks LLC, Sunday Road – installation of central air.
- Building and Zoning permits issued to Rich Hutchinson, 4320 Rt. 212 (Old Gerenser property) – complete interior renovation of existing farmhouse w/small addition to include mud room, bathroom, laundry room.
- Building and Zoning permits issued to Dennis Curry, Sheerer's Hill Road – for a detached garage, conversion of attached garage to living space, small front porch.

Other:

- Restart work on incorporating amendments to the zoning ordinance that were discussed and agreed to by the previous Planning Commission. I hope to be able to present the zoning ordinance with the suggested amendments to the Planning Commission at their next meeting. As there are 6 new members since these amendments were last discussed Mr. Child is anticipating a bit of 'starting over'.
- Prepare/submit update to the Bucks County Board of Assessment for permits issued.

Public Works Report:

- Continue to work on patching potholes, clearing ditches, roadside mowing and ball field maintenance.

Environmental Advisory Council Report (EAC):

- Rt. 611 has been cleaned.
- The EAC will be losing a member; will let the BOS know when so that a replacement can be appointed.

Planning Commission Report:

No meeting in May.

Community Announcements: The Chairman announced:

- **Regional Monthly Recycling Day** will be held on Saturday, June 3, 2017, 9:00AM to 12 Noon.
- **Community Fire Company #1 Monthly Breakfast:** Breakfast will be held May 21, 2017.
- **Township Office will be CLOSED:** Tuesday, May 16, 2017 for Primary Elections and Monday, May 29, 2017 in observance of Memorial Day.

Public Comments:

- David Oleksa:
 - DT Historical Society is requesting that the large wreath that is hanging on the side of the Mill be removed.
 - Library Board meeting, there are passes for Allentown and Bethlehem museums available.
 - 180 children attended the Easter Egg Hunt
 - Summer Science program is almost full
- Chairman Millett reminded all that next Tuesday is the Primary election and urged everyone to get out and vote; express your opinions, every vote matters.

Close Meeting:

The Chairman made a motion to close the meeting and the Vice Chairman seconded the motion. All agreed. Meeting adjourned at 8:30PM.

APPROVED:


CHAIRMAN


VICE CHAIRMAN


MEMBER

Minutes Submitted by: Dani McClanahan, Township Administrator/Secretary