MINUTES of MEETING

Durham Township Board of Supervisors Tuesday February 13th, 2024, 7pm Township Building Meeting Room

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Call to Order / Pledge to American Flag / Roll Call Attendance:

Time: 7:08pm

Present:

Supervisors:

Bartley Millett, Chairman Kathleen Gentner, Vice Chair

Danielle Cox, Administrator/Secretary

Absent: Richard Johnson, Treasurer, Ed Child, Zoning Officer, Peter Cox, Roadmaster

Moment of Silence, reading of obituary by Chairman Millett in honor of Ron Fox.

Approval of Minutes from January 9th, 2024. Motion by KG, second by BM Vote 2-0-0 **Approval** of Monthly Financial Report as of January 31st, 2024, Motion by KG second by BM Vote: 2-0 **Approval** of Accounts Payable/Payroll as of February 13th, 2024. Motion by KG, second by BM Vote 2-0-0.

Approval Escrow Accounts as of February 13th, 2024. Motion by KG 2nd by BM. Vote 2-0-0

Motion_to approve advertising for the 2024 road projects. Work to be performed on Funks Mill, Sheers Hill Kinter, Countryside Drive and Dogwood Lane. L. Oleska asked about Sherers Hill, admin explained this is the seal coat. Motion by KG 2nd by BM Vote 2-0-0

Motion to approve letter of support for Riegelsville library T Mobile hometown grant application. Admin read letter of support. D. Oleska explained Riegelsville Borough is using a grant writer to apply for various grants. Motion by KG 2nd by BM. Vote 2-0-0

Motion to approve replacement of Amin computer that failed in September for \$ 780.00. Motion by KG 2nd by BM Vote 2-0-0. Admin has been sharing roadmasters laptop.

Motion to accept DVC roofings quote of \$350.00 to clean Mill gutters. Motion by KG 2nd by BM. Vote 2-0-0

Motion to partner with DHS to apply for a grant to repair Durham Mill Cupola. Mark Southard of Artisanal Structures supplied an estimate of \$20,640.00. D. Oleska gave details of a grant available through The Pa. Historical and Museum Commission. Grant would require a 50% match from township. DHS will do all the leg work for applying, Admin will write 1 of the 2 letters needed in support of the grant. Grant is due March 1st, 2024. Grant minimum is \$5,000. Breakdown may be grant monies awarded \$10,320.00, Durham Township match of \$10,320.00 = \$20,640.00. Mill fund balance is currently \$47,574.00. Motion by KG 2nd by BM Vote 2-0-0.

Met ed: No update at this time.

Bridge 226: Waiting on Final Inspection to officially announce its opening, however contractor removed signs located at the bridge and it is passable.

Durham Springs: Chairman Millett informed the public no permits for any work have been submitted by Durham Springs at this time.

P.O. Lease: In review by solicitor Nelson.

Pete Cox, Road Master: No Report.

Zoning/Building: Report given by Administrator.

Environmental Advisory Committee: Cooks Creek Watershed was awarded Grant for creek study EAC next meeting to be held 2/20/24.

<u>Durham Historical Society:</u> Dave Oleska reported they will be busy this month working on the grant application.

Riegelsville Library: 150 boxes of books leftover from sale, researching companies that will take them. Two new programs will be offered. American Swedish Society presents the Viking Experience on August 7th time TBA and a Juggling program on June 15th time TBA.

Planning Commission: Angelo Quisto will be the BOS meeting rep. Their next meeting is March 5th. **PRFR Report**: Vice Chairman Genter reported a very productive meeting. Topics discussed were needing more funds then the 3 mills allowed by law, asking townships to support adding Fire 101 to the tech school courses offered to high school student, this program was denied previously, if townships show support, they hope to change that. Allow municipal workers who volunteer to respond during working hours without repercussions. Stipends and tax incentives. Vice Chairman Genter was extremely impressed with the amount of work it took to re organize and is happy to report the committee will be meeting again on March 7th D. Oleska asked about insurance coverage if employees respond to fire call.

PSA:

- Offices closed February 19th, 2024, for Presidents Day.
- Cooks Creek Roadside Clean up April 6th 9am to 4pm at PRFR Springtown station.
- Lg. Item Clean-up Day: Saturday April 20th 8am to 12pm
- Please return your UBREMS subscription and your PRFR fund drive donations.

<u>Public Comment</u>: D. Oleska reported that Hunter Research group from Princton will be supplying a report on the "cold cellar". On February 20th there will be social study teachers coming from Palisades to tour the mill, they would like to incorporate the Mills history into their lesson plans.

Chairman Millett thanked everyone for attending.

Motion to Close: Motion by BM 2nd by KG Vote 2-0-0

Time Closed: 8:02pm

Vice Chairman

Freasurer