MINUTES of MEETING

Durham Township Board of Supervisors

Tuesday May 14, 2024, 7pm

Township Building Meeting Room

Resident Participation in person and via GoToMeeting

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Call to Order / Pledge to American Flag / Roll Call Attendance: Time: 7:05pm

**Present:** Supervisors: Bartley Millett, Chairman

Kathleen Gentner, Vice Chair

Richard Johnson, Treasurer

Peter Cox, Roadmaster

Danielle Cox, Administrator/Secretary

**Absent**: Ed Child, Zoning Officer

**Approval** of Minutes from April 9th. Motion by KG, second by RJ Vote 3-0-0

**Approval** of Monthly Financial Report as of April 30th, 2024, Motion by RJ second by KG Vote: 3-0

**Approval** of Accounts Payable/Payroll as of May 14th, 2024. Motion by RJ, second by KG Vote 3-0-0

**Approval** Escrow Accounts as of May 14, 2024. Motion by RJ 2nd by KG. Vote 3-0-0

**Motion** to approve the Palisades Area Girls Softball League to use the Durham Ball Field for their T ball teams. Admin provided the board with PAGLS proof of insurance, moving forward admin and resident B. Timochenko will be looking into reenacting the Park and Rec board to take on the ball field maintenance and usage. The field will only be used by T ball or B team participants due to size. Admin spoke with C. Macik to make sure there have been no issues with the crops. B. Timochenko may be interested in taking on lead position for Park and Rec for 1 year to start the process. PAGLS will be making a donation for the field use, they are also paying for portable toilets. The lock has been removed from the building and will be replaced with a new lock; a spare key given to coaches. The board gave B. Timochenko permission to use round up following precautions and leave plenty of time between application and field use. **Motion** by KG 2nd by RG Vote 3-0-0

**Motion to** appoint Mease Engineering as our repetitive for the counties Act 167 Stormwater Management Plan update. Supervisors Genter and Johnson voiced concerns over 1 size fits all county wide plan as well as questioning if this is leading to more intense development, including high rises. The board is not interested in any more unfunded mandates and questioned if we would need to participate in the counties plan. PC. Chairman A. Mills and EAC Chairman B. Timochenko would also like to participate. **A Motion** was made by K.G to appoint Mease Engineering, A. Mill and B. Timochenko as our representative. 2nd by RJ Vote 3-0-0. Admin will pass on all the boards concerns to Mease Engineering and request an update after each meeting.

**Met ed:** Senator Colemans office continues to reach out to Met ed concerning the frequent outages. Tree trimming has been taking place on area roads by met ed.

**Bridge 226:** Inspection complete, bridge is now open.

**Durham Springs:** Chairman Millett informed the public no permits for any work have been submitted by Durham Springs at this time. The Meeting on May 14th covered procedures once plans are submitted.

**P.O. Lease:** Solicitor Nelson has completed the review, and it will be discussed at the June Meeting

**Durham Community Day**: 10/12/2024 1-4pm 20 vendors currently.

**Pete Cox, Road Master:**  Springhill Pipe replacement compete just need to work on head and tail walls. Weed whacking along the roads has started, roadside mowing will begin soon. Working on cleaning up the area around the retention pond fence and getting estimates for replacement.

**Zoning/Building**: Report given by Administrator.

**Environmental Advisory Committee**: Their chairman reported they would like to investigate a cleanup day budget; they are interested in researching the flooding on 611 in Kintnersville. Signposts for outdoor sign will be installed this week. Chairman Timochenko asked if the Board would sign a letter asking for the support of the Springfield township supervisors in joining the Conservation plan update. There is an EAC meet and greet with other EACS on 5/16.

**Durham Historical Society**: Dave Oleska reported they had a work session to inspect the buckets on the wheel. Fred Gallager reported there is a major buckle in the wall in the pit area. He is very concerned about the integrity of the mill; he stated improper drainage and the use of the roadway next to the mill as leading factors. Mr. Gallager believes the road needs to be closed asap. Admin will contact Engineer 1st think Wednesday morning.

**Riegelsville Library**: Dave Oleska reported the book sale starts this weekend; they have a wonderful assortment of books. The library will be hosting a story time at the Mill on June 19th July 10th and August 14th at 10:30am.

**Planning Commission**: A. Mills reported the PC has finalized the Zoning book updates and sent them to the county, 3 chapters of the Durham SALDO update were completed at the last meeting.

**PRFR Report**: call report was provided by Jeff Mease and read by admin.

**PSA**:

* Household Hazardous waste May 18th at Upper Bucks Vo Tech 8:30am to 2pm
* Riegelsville Library Book Sale May 18th and 25th 9am – 4pm
* Closed Monday May 27th
* EAC Walk June 8th 8am at the Fuller Preserve
* Riegelsville Public Library Event: Juggling program on June 15th time TBA
* Riverfest July 13th at S.C.A.A
* Riegelsville Public Library Event: American Swedish Society presents the Viking Experience on August 7th time TBA.
* Riegelsville Library Story Time at Durham Mill 10:30 am June 19th, July 10th, August 14th
* Please return your UBREMS subscription and your PRFR fund drive donations.

**Public Comment**: D. Juall corrected the name of the Creek and River Festival and added it free admissions for all ages. Nonresident F. Gallager urged the supervisors to act immediately on the mill issues. Resident Ike ?? asked the board to do what they could to minimize further damage to the mill. Ike also brought up speeding again on Kinter Road, and wanted to let the fire company know that his property is always available for helicopter landings and is state approved.

Chairman Millett thanked everyone for attending.

**Motion to Close**: Motion by BM 2nd by RG Vote 3-0-0

Time Closed: 8:18pm

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