DRAFT MINUTES of MEETING

Durham Township Board of Supervisors

Tuesday November 12th, 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: 7:03pm

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

Kathleen Gentner, Vice Chair

Richard Johnson, Treasurer

Danielle Cox, Administrator/Secretary

Peter Cox, Roadmaster

**Absent**: Ed Child, Zoning Officer.

**Approval** of Minutes from October 8th, 2024. Motion by KG, second by RJ Vote 3-0-0

**Approval** of Monthly Financial Report as of October 31st 2024, Motion by RJ second by KG Vote: 3-0

**Approval** of Accounts Payable/Payroll as of November 12th , 2024. Motion by KG, second by RJ Vote 3-0-0

**Approval** Escrow Accounts as of November 12th, 2024. Motion by KG 2nd by RJ. Vote 3-0-0

**Approval** of State Fund Bill Pay as of November 12th, 2024. Motion by RJ 2nd by KG Vote 3-0-0

**Motion** to advertise the 2025 Draft Budget to be adopted at the December 10th 2024 Meeting. The administrator gave a brief rundown of the 2025 draft budget. Chairman Millett reported there will be no tax increase for 2025 however there may be an increase in 2026, and it could be specific to roads or equipment. A.Mills thanked the board for being fiscally responsible with taxpayer money. Vice Chairman Genter informed the public that we could impose a tax of 15 mills for emergency services. 10 for fire 5 for ambulance. **Motion** by RJ 2nd by KG Vote 3-0-0. Admin will post Draft budget on website, and it will be available to view in the main office.

**Motion** to have LTAP perform speed study on Old Furnace and Red Bridge Roads **Motion** by RJ 2nd by KG Vote 3-0-0. B. Timochenko asked if weekends and holidays were included and if not, what was the reasoning. Admin will check. Roadmaster will meet with LTAP November 18th

**Chairman Millett** informed the public there is a vacancy on the Planning Commission board, interested parties please contact the administrator.

**Motion** to approve replacing the generator for the township complex.in the amount of $8,130.00 by Campbell electric**. Motion** by RJ end by KG Vote 3-0-0. B. Timochenko was given permission to look at the motor in the old generator. Current generator is not functioning correctly, and you can no longer get parts for it.

**Motion** to purchase a 2024 F 250 4x4 crew cab with plow and emergency lights using state funds in the amount of $65,035.00. Payments will be made once a year for 5 years using the allowed allocated amount of liquid fuels money. The Board has agreed Member and Treasure R. Johnson will be signing the paperwork **Motion** by RJ 2nd by KG Vote 3-0. B. Timochenko asked about installing a radio in the new vehicle. We will use a portable for now.

**Met ed:** Tree Trimming is taking place on Gallows Hill.

**Durham Springs:** No Update

**P.O. Lease:** Peter Nelson will have an update at the December 10th meeting.

**Act 167 update:** B. Timochenko reported that phase one of four is complete

**Pete Cox, Road Master:**  Working on winter preparations, cleaning ditches of tree debris. Worked on budget with admin and bookkeeper. Large tree damaged guardrail at 212 and old furnace, Collins Inc. will be out to give an estimate. 2025 road projects are County Line Rd from Durham rd. to the township line and the lower section of Spring Hill Stouts Valley to the top of the hill

**Zoning/Building**: No report for November.

**Environmental Advisory Committee**: Chairman Timochenko reported Durham Day went well; no more hikes planned for 2024. Working on their plans for 2025. Worked with STEM students at Palisades, road cleanup was performed this past weekend. There is a meeting on 11/13 for the water shed conservation plan. D. Juall commented that the EAC has been doing the road cleanup on Rte 611 from rte.32 to 212 for 30 years.

**Durham Historical Society**: Dave Oleska reported DHS was out this weekend doing roadside clean up on Durham Rd form Couty Line to Rte 212. There was work done on the sleuth gate and a new gate put at the tail race. Planning Founders Day for June 7th 2025 250 anniversary of Durham.

**Riegelsville Library**: Working on 2025 budget and they may have found a volunteer to sit on the board for Durham Township.

**Planning Commission**: Working on SALDO. Next meeting December 3rd 2024

**PRFR Report**: Call report given by administrator 1 call in Durham for September.

**PSA**:

* Riegelsville Public Library will be hosting the following events, fall book sale will be on November 22nd and 23rd from 6pm to 8pm and November 30th 9am to 4pm.
* Please return your UBREMS subscription and your PRFR fund drive donations.

The Riegelsville Library is seeking Durham Residents interested in a board seat

* Offices will be closed on Thursday 11/28 and Fri 11/29 for Thanksgiving.
* Breakfast with Santa December 1st, 2024, 8am to Noon at PRFR station 40
* Join us after the December 10th meeting for some Cookies & Cheer.
* Monday January 6th  BOS Re Org meeting 7pm

**Public Comment**: D. Oleska asked about the No truck signs knocked over at 212 and Durham Road, Roadmaster will ask Penndot about them again .UBREMS treasure Jim Neilson and Chief Barbra Stebulis asked for a letter of support for a LSA grant that Nockamixon township will be submitting on their behalf. The board agreed on submitting a letter of support. J. Neilson also noted there may be some changes coming in reference to Ag Preservation.

Chairman Millett thanked everyone for attending.

**Motion to Close**: Motion by RJ 2nd by KG Vote 3-0-0

Time Closed: 9:11pm

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Chairman Vice Chairman Treasurer