Durham Township Board of Supervisors

Tuesday January 14th, 2025 7pm

Township Building Meeting Room

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Call to Order / Pledge to American Flag / Roll Call Attendance: Time: 7:04pm

**Present:** Supervisors: Kathleen Gentner, Chairman

Bartley Millett, Vice Chairman

Richard Johnson, Treasurer

Danielle Cox, Administrator/Secretary

Peter Cox, Roadmaster

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

**Moment** **of Silence** was held for Ed Xander

**Approval** of Minutes from December 10th , 2024. Motion by RJ, second by BM Vote 3-0-0

**Approval** of Minutes from January 6th 2025 Re Org Meeting. Motion by RJ second by BM Vote 3-0-0

**Approval** of Monthly Financial Report as of December 31st 2024, Motion by RJ second by BM

Vote: 3-0

**Approval** of Accounts Payable/Payroll as January 14th 2025. Motion by RJ, second by BM Vote 3-0-0

**Chairman** Gentner reported that the Board held an executive session following the Re Org meeting to discuss personnel. Chairman Gentner then informed the public that the board has received and accepted a letter of resignation effective January 23rd 2025 from Zoning Officer Ed Child. Supervisor Johnson thanked Mr. Child for his eleven and a half years of service to Durham Township.

**Motion** to approve **Resolution 2025-02** increasing the tax collectors pay for 2026-2029 to $6,000. **Motion** by RJ 2nd by BM Vote 3-0-0.

**Motion** to approve holding large item cleanup day on April 19th 2025 **Motion** by RJ 2nd by BM Vote 3-0-0.

**The Board has tabled** the DHS grant request until the February 11th meeting after discussing using the funds to fix the bulge in the mill wall, we will also get quotes on fixing the water issue that is causing the bulge. D. Oleska has a quote of $20,000 for the masonry work only. Vice Chairman Millett asked if the DHS has funds available since the grant is a matching grant. A. Mills suggested getting a price to fix the leak and including that in the grant request. Admin will reach out to the mason who performed the initial inspection and see if he will submit a quote. Roadmaster P cox informed the board he is unsure if public works could perform the work to fix the leak as he thinks it is a underground pipe that may have collapsed, he also informed the board fixing the issue may require tearing up the roadway and be expensive. Admin will also have Kate print the Mill fund balance sheet for the Feb. meeting.

**LTAP Traffic Study**: Study is being reconducted due to a reporting error.

**Met ed:** Admin reported tree trimming by Nelsons tree service started on 1/13/25 and will last approx. 3 weeks. Anyone interested in wood chips please call the office for contact information.

**Durham Springs:** No Update

**Act 167 update:** No Update

**Pete Cox, Road Master:**  Pete met with AMS to discuss road projects, that will be on the February agenda. Ordered and received 2 loads of salt from Morton and took delivery of 2 loads of Anti-Skid.

**Zoning/Building**: Report read by administrator. A.Mills spoke of code inspections and the number of rejected permits. Chairman Genter informed the public we can have up to 3 options for residents to choose from. Admin will look into more options.

**Environmental Advisory Committee**: Chairman Timochenko was absent, L. Oleska reported a nice article was done by the Hearld, clean up is April 5th Princeton Hydro did two site visits recently. May meeting may be held in the mill due to Primary election day.

**Durham Historical Society**: Dave Oleska reported There was no December meeting, they watched a preview of the George Taylor video presentation. They are working on several lecture series to present this year.

**Riegelsville Library**: David Winston was voted in as the 2nd rep for Durham Township.

**Planning Commission**: Chairman A. Mills reported he was reelected as chairman at their reorg meeting. Natt Crouse was elected Vice Chairman they continue Working on SALDO review. Tyler Freed will be at their March meeting to answer questions.

**PRFR Report**: Read by administrator 0 fire calls in Durham for November 2024. Will have year end report at the February meeting.

**UBREMS:** A. Mills was appointed UBREMS president. He apologized to the Board and residents for the lack of communication in prior years and he vowed to do better and will have a report available for each BOS meeting. He informed the Board that the Revere station has closed down temporarily from 6pm to 6am as a cost saving measure, however Durham residents are serviced by medic 141 located in Springtown. Response time should remain around 16 minutes. The board urged him to keep a consistent line of communication open with them and other municipalities. A.Mills informed the board UBREMS may request a millage tax increase in the near future.

**PSA**:

* Please return your UBREMS subscription and your PRFR fund drive donations.
* PRFR Breakfast at Station 40 (Springtown) on Sunday February 2nd 2025 8am to Noon.

**Public Comment**: L. Oleska asked if there will be a delay in permits since the Z.O has resigned. Chairman Gentner informed the public that we are not expecting any delays.

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

Time Closed: 8:31pm

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Chairman Vice Chairman Treasurer