

DERRY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Minutes, August 5, 2014 Regular Meeting

7:00 p.m.

Vincent DeCario, Chairman, called the regular meeting of the Derry Township Board of Supervisors to order held in the Municipal Building at 5321 Route 982, Derry, PA at 7:00 p.m. and lead the group with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion was made by David Slifka and seconded by James Prohaska to adjourn the previous meeting.

Voting: David Slifka-yes, James Prohaska-yes, and Vincent DeCario-yes

Motion carried.

Members present were: David Slifka, James Prohaska, and Vincent DeCario-Supervisors;
and John Rushford, Solicitor

Announcements: Household Hazardous Waste Collection-Saturday, October 4th
WCCC-Youngwood Campus, 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Janet Bollinger presented a petition to open the Eastern Derry Township Volunteer Fire Department and questioned the firemen's audit that the Township did not accept. Solicitor John Rushford explained that the audit did not meet the General Accounting Principles. It was stated that the Fire Department was shut down due to the insurance issue. They have to have insurance to operate A lengthy discussion was held.

Judy Knopsnider questioned why the fire department did not get their donation. Vincent DeCario, Chairman, explained that Mrs. Knopsnider was referring to the Foreign Fire Insurance money which is different from their annual donation.

A discussion was held regarding an overdue payment and default on a loan for a truck which is in the process of being repossessed. Scott Schweizer explained the vendor blind-sided the firemen. A discussion was held. Mr. Schweizer asked for help to pay the insurance so they can serve the community.

Solicitor John Rushford stated to move forward a meeting will be setup with Don Snyder, the solicitor of Eastern Derry Township Volunteer Fire Department when he is available, with the Supervisors and Officers of Eastern Derry Township Volunteer Fire Department being involved.

Scott Schweizer questioned how the fundraising can be held when the bank accounts are on hold. A meeting needs to be held between the solicitors.

At the request of the Supervisors, a meeting was held on Sunday, August 3rd with the local fire departments (Derry Township-Bradenville, Derry Borough, Blairsville, and New Alexandria) whereas the 9-1-1 readouts were changed. Eastern Derry Township Volunteer Fire Department was taken off the readouts. And the next fire department was moved up the list.

A question was raised regarding Torrance State Hospital giving most of their donation to the Blairsville Volunteer Fire Department when they are located in Derry Township. The question will be researched for future discussion.

The Supervisors advised the group representing the Eastern Derry Township Volunteer Fire Department to contact the fire department's attorney regarding questions about fundraising and fire department bank accounts.

Kelly Tua Hammer who was at the last meeting regarding the water run off problem in Loyalhanna questioned how to get a meeting with DEP to get the problem solved. A discussion was held. David Slifka stated he would talk with the Township Engineer and contact DEP.

Motion was made by James Prohaska and seconded by David Slifka to approve Minutes of July 1, 2014.

Voting: David Slifka-yes, James Prohaska-yes, and Vincent DeCario-yes

Motion carried.

Motion was made by David Slifka and seconded by James Prohaska to approve the Payroll of July 3, 17, and 31, 2014 for payment.

Voting: David Slifka-yes, James Prohaska-yes, and Vincent DeCario-yes

Motion carried.

Motion was made by James Prohaska and seconded by David Slifka to approve the Bills of July 2, 16, and 30, 2014 for payment.

Voting: David Slifka-yes, James Prohaska-yes, and Vincent DeCario-yes

Motion carried.

Motion was made by David Slifka and seconded by James Prohaska to approve the Treasurer's Report for July of 2014.

Voting: David Slifka-yes, James Prohaska-yes, and Vincent DeCario-yes

Motion carried.

Motion was made James Prohaska and seconded by David Slifka to adopt Resolution No. 550-2014 requesting a Greenways, Trails, and Recreation Program Grant from the Commonwealth Financing Authority.

Voting: David Slifka-yes, James Prohaska-yes, and Vincent DeCario-yes

Motion carried.

Motion was made by David Slifka and seconded by James Prohaska to approve a memorandum of understanding between the Uschak Road/Fairview Lane Water Line Project Association, Inc. and the Township of Derry.

Voting: David Slifka-yes, James Prohaska-yes, and Vincent DeCario-yes

Motion carried.

Motion was made James Prohaska and seconded by David Slifka to review the Gray Subdivision located along St. Clair Street contingent upon the review of the SEO:

Approval of this plan does not constitute acceptance of the streets as dedicated and laid out on said plan until they are developed to the Township's specifications at which time formal written notice of acceptance of dedication will be delivered by the Derry Township Board of Supervisors to the developer.

Voting: David Slifka-yes, James Prohaska-yes, and Vincent DeCario-yes

Motion carried.

Motion was made by David Slifka and seconded by James Prohaska to approve Ordinance No. 155-2014 accepting Victoria Way in the Township of Derry as a public street.

Voting: David Slifka-yes, James Prohaska-yes, and Vincent DeCario-yes

Motion carried.

Motion was made by James Prohaska and seconded by David Slifka to recess until Tuesday, September 2, 2014 at 7 p.m.

Voting: David Slifka-yes, James Prohaska-yes, and Vincent DeCario-yes

Motion carried.