

DERRY TOWNSHIP REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

The Derry Township Board of Supervisors held its Regular Monthly Meeting, Monday, August 5, 2024 at 5:30 p.m., Township Municipal Building, 73 Reserve Lane, Lewistown.

Present:	Vice-Chairman	Donald R. Warntz, II
	Supervisor	John T. Sipe
	Solicitor	Timothy Searer, Esq.
	Manager	Kelly J. Shutes
	Roadmaster	Justin Allen

D. Warntz called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and noted that R. Napikoski was not present.

J. Sipe made a motion to approve the Minutes of the Monday, July 15, 2024 meeting. D. Warntz stepped from the chair and seconded the motion. Motion carried 2 - 0.

SOLICITOR: No comments.

VISITORS:

Jeffrey Copenhaver was present to request help from the Township to correct stormwater problems at his property on Circle Lane. After discussion on the condition of the piping and ditches, it was decided to have the Roadmaster consult with the Township Engineer and possibly put another pipe under Mr. Copenhaver's driveway and add an inlet box at the top of the hill.

Trey Peters was present to request a driveway permit for his property on Jack's Creek Road. He said that he had a drawing prepared by his engineer and submitted it to the Zoning Officer on July 17th. It shows there is 75' of sight distance for the driveway. The Township Manager had conferred with the Zoning Officer regarding the drawing. They agreed that the drawing should be reviewed by the Roadmaster and the Township Engineer. The driveway is at a grade greater than 8% and it is important that there is proper sight distance to ensure safety pulling out of the driveway. There is also a question as to the use of the property. If it is not a single-family residential property, the site distance should be 100 ft. Mr. Peters explained that he did not want to wait long for the permit. The Engineer will be asked to review as soon as possible.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ROAD REPORT:

The Roadmaster reported that the alleys in Highland Park and the Woodland Ave areas have been paved. He will be completing some paving at the Park tomorrow. The Township Manager reported that a grant application will be submitted to the Mifflin Co. Conservation District for a DGR-LVR Grant for work on Paradise Drive off Jack's Creek Road. The grant will ask for \$76,750.00. The Township Road Dept. will do the work.

OLD BUSINESS:

J. Sipe made a motion to adopt Resolution 2024-11, accepting the Dedication of Geisinger Lane and associated stormwater facilities to Derry Township. D. Warntz seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: D. Warntz, aye, R. Napikoski, not present, J. Sipe, aye. Motion carried 2 - 0.

NEW BUSINESS:

Angie Hunselman, SEDA-COG Program Analyst, presented a breakdown of CDBG funds available for projects in Derry Township. The Board of Supervisors was asked to consider a Roof Replacement Housing Rehabilitation project by the Mifflin County Housing District. The properties are located in Derry Township. The total project cost is estimated at \$31,570. Ms. Hunselman noted that we should touch base with Karl Shellenberger to get a firm number on the costs. These projects must be completed by 2027. Her analysis of the remaining funds shows that the Township should have enough funds to finance the Yeagertown Alley Paving Project and still have enough funds to contribute to the Housing rehab project. J. Sipe made a motion to approve funding the Roof Replacement Project with the FFY 2024 funds. D. Warntz seconded the motion. Motion carried 2 - 0.

J. Sipe made a motion to adopt Resolution 2024-12, appointing Lynn P. Mitchell to the Derry Township Zoning Hearing Board. D. Warntz seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: D. Warntz, aye, R. Napikoski, not present, J. Sipe, aye. Motion carried 2 - 0.

J. Sipe made a motion to adopt Resolution 2024-13, amending the Derry Township Right-to-Know policy reflecting changes made to the PA RTKL law. D. Warntz seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: D. Warntz, aye, R. Napikoski, not present, J. Sipe, aye. Motion carried 2 - 0. The Township Manager noted changes in the RTK Law say the Township is not obligated to respond to oral or anonymous requests if the Requester does not provide his/her full legal name or if the Requestor uses the services of a "third-party requesting website that does not provide the Requestor's full legal name.

J. Sipe made a motion to adopt Resolution 2024-14 adopting a plan revision for New Land Development for a DEP Sewage Planning Module for the Donald & Michelle Logan Subdivision Plan. D. Warntz seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: D. Warntz, aye, R. Napikoski, not present, J. Sipe, aye. Motion carried 2 - 0.

J. Sipe made a motion to purchase up to \$2,500 of infield material for the M. C. Travel Team Baseball field in Yeagertown. D. Warntz seconded the motion. Motion carried 2 - 0.

J. Sipe made a motion to execute the Signal Service, Inc. Traffic Signal Maintenance Agreement effective September 1, 2024 through August 31, 2026. D. Warntz seconded the motion. Motion carried 2 - 0.

FYI

The Lincoln Dental Insurance quote for Township employees for 2024-2025 will not increase.

An insurance claim for a highway luminaire on the Hwy 522 exit ramp that was knocked down due to a traffic accident was approved for \$6,425 and Lepley Electrical will do the repairs.

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Kelky J. Shutes,
Township Manager