

DERRY TOWNSHIP MID-MONTH MEETING

The Derry Township Board of Supervisors held its Mid-Month Meeting, Monday, January 20, 2025 at 5:30 p.m., Municipal Building, 73 Reserve Lane, Lewistown.

Present:

Chairman	Ronald E. Napikoski, Jr.	Manager	Kelly J. Shutes
Vice-Chairman	Don Warntz, II		
Supervisor	John T. Sipe	Park Manager	Josh Garver

R. Napikoski called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Mr. Napikoski announced that a brief executive session was held at 5:00 p.m. to speak with the Township Solicitor about potential litigation on a zoning matter.

J. Sipe made a motion to approve the Minutes of the Monday, January 6, 2025 Re-organizational Meeting. D. Warntz seconded the motion. Motion carried 3 - 0.

SOLICITOR: No Report

ZONING OFFICER: Chris Dobson submitted a 2024 Year End Report. There were no comments.

VISITORS:

Carol High-Kearney, SEDA-COG CDBG representative, requested approval of the FFY 2022 CDBG Program Budget Revision as follows:

Yeagertown Area Road Reconstruction Phase I:

Current Budget:	\$106,824.00
Change:	<u>(38,494.00)</u>
Revised Budget:	\$68,330.00

Derry Township Senior Center Improvements:

Current Budget:	\$ 0.00
Change:	<u>38,494.00</u>
Revised Budget:	\$38,494.00

D. Warntz made a motion to approve the revision. J. Sipe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3 - 0.

Carol also reported that there will be a Pre-Construction meeting held at the Derry Township Senior Center for the Senior Center project on Feb. 5, 2025 at 1:00 p.m.

Angela Price, from the Juniata River Valley Chamber of Commerce Leadership Institute, presented a proposed project to be completed at Kish Park Dog Park. Angela proposes to construct a "Rainbow Bridge" just outside the Dog Park to honor pets that have passed away. Pet owners could hang collars or other small mementos on the bridge in memory of their pets. She explained that her group would make sure the bridge would be kept in good condition. The Park Manager suggested the bridge should be built out of Trex lumber for longevity. Ms. Price was asked to contact the Dog Park Committee and seek their approval as well. R. Napikoski made a motion to

support the project contingent on favorable approval from the Kish Dog Park Committee. J. Sipe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3 - 0.

#### PARK MANAGER REPORT:

Josh Garver, Park Manager, reported that the Playground and Restroom renovations continue, but that the extremely cold weather has held up construction. The concrete has been removed from the old Mini Golf course.

PUBLIC COMMENT: none

#### OLD BUSINESS:

The Township Engineer has approved L & O Storage's request to reduce the financial security, an Irrevocable Letter of Credit, held by the Township for the Orchard Hills Storage Land Development, currently in the amount of \$211,236.50, by 75% to a new total of \$52,809.08. J. Sipe made a motion to approve the reduction of the security. D. Warntz seconded the motion. Motion carried 3 - 0.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

J. Sipe made a motion to approve Change Order # 1 of the Kish Park Renovation Project Electrical Contract in the amount of \$80. D. Warntz seconded the motion. Motion carried 3 - 0.

J. Sipe made a motion to approve Change Order # 2 of the Kish Park Renovation Project Electrical Contract in the amount of \$250. D. Warntz seconded the motion. Motion carried 3 - 0.

J. Sipe made a motion to approve Payment App # 1 of the Kish Park Renovation Project Site Construction Contract in the amount of \$19,298.85. D. Warntz seconded the motion. Motion carried 3 - 0.

J. Sipe made a motion to approve the quote presented by The Wire Guys for installation of Access controls at the Kish Park Restroom in the amount of \$8,971.04. D. Warntz seconded the motion. Motion carried 3 - 0.

D. Warntz made a motion to allow Brian Baker to rollover 8 hours of vacation time to the new year. J. Sipe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3 - 0.

D. Warntz made a motion to adopt Resolution 2025-4, for the disposition of records according to the Municipal Records Manual. J. Sipe seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: D. Warntz, aye, R. Napikoski, Aye., J. Sipe, aye. Motion carried 3 - 0.

J. Sipe made a motion to adopt Resolution 2025-5, approving a revision of the Derry Township Sewage Facilities Plan for the Wawa-Burnham Goose, LLC Land Development. D. Warntz seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: D. Warntz, aye, R. Napikoski, Aye., J. Sipe, aye. Motion carried 3 - 0.

A letter was received from Peter Brummer, current Chairman of the Golden Mile Farmers' Market Association. He informed the Township with regret, that due to the poor health of his

mother-in-law and father-in-law, the Esh's, they would be unable to continue holding the Farm Market at Kish Park. He thanked the Township for allowing the Farm Market to continue for the last forty plus years.

D. Warntz made a motion to approve the Park Use Application for the MCRPD National Night Out event to be held August 8, 2025 and agreed to waive the Park Use fees. J. Sipe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3 - 0.

J. Sipe made a motion to donate \$100 to Keep PA Beautiful in 2025. D. Warntz seconded the motion. Motion carried 3 - 0.

D. Warntz made a motion to appoint Keith Cram as an alternate to serve on the Derry Township Zoning Hearing Board. J. Sipe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3 - 0.

J. Sipe made a motion to table a decision approving a rate increase for the Township Tax Collector in 2026 until the next meeting. D. Warntz seconded the motion. Motion carried 3 - 0.

J. Sipe made a motion to approve the bills for December 2024 as presented. D. Warntz seconded the motion. Motion carried 3 - 0.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m. on a motion by D. Warntz and seconded by J. Sipe.

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Kelly J. Shutes  
Township Manager