

Donegal Township Board of Supervisors
Regular Monthly Meeting
December 29, 2020 (Continued from December 21, 2020)
8:40 p.m.

The continued meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Donegal Township was called to order by Chairman Richard Fidler at 8:40 p.m. The meeting was held as a virtual meeting utilizing a Zoom Video Conferencing Application with residents attending by computer, cell phone or landline, and in-person due to the Coronavirus pandemic. Board Members in attendance by Roll Call: Richard Fidler, Tammi Iams, Richard Martin, Kathleen Croft, Edward Shingle. Also in attendance: Devlin Fisher, an associate of Lane Turturice—Solicitor, Judith Taylor—Secretary/Treasurer.

There was no initial public comment. As the agenda was unavailable to the public, the Board took public comment on all motions prior to a vote.

Motion to adopt the continued meeting agenda as presented

Motion by Tammi Iams, Second by Richard Fidler

Roll Call Vote: Fidler—yes, Iams—yes, Martin—yes, Croft—no, Shingle—no. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the minutes from the Board of Supervisors Regular Monthly meeting held on November 16, 2020, the Budget Workshop on November 23, 2020, the Special Meeting on December 5, 2020, Emergency Meeting on December 16, 2020

Motion by Tammi Iams, Second by Richard Fidler

Roll Call Vote: Fidler—yes, Iams—yes, Martin—yes, Croft—no, Shingle—no. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the Treasurer's report dated November 12, 2020 through December 29, 2020 for the General Fund only

Motion by Tammi Iams, Second by Richard Martin

Prior to the vote, Ms. Iams amended her motion with the agreement of Mr. Martin, to note that the heading on the statement of bank balances was incorrect and should have a date of December 29, 2020.

Roll Call Vote: Fidler—yes, Iams—yes, Martin—yes, Croft—no, Shingle—no. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the bills as listed on the unpaid bill list dated as of December 30, 2020

Motion by Richard Fidler, Second by Richard Martin

Prior to the vote, the motion was amended by Ms. Iams with the agreement of Mr. Martin to pull the Lee Rodgers and Peterbilt repair bill for further review

Roll Call Vote: Fidler—yes, Iams—yes, Martin—yes, Croft—no, Shingle—no. Motion carried.

The Code Enforcement report for October 2020 was read by Judy Taylor.

Eric Graham, Township Fire Marshal, presented the Fire Department report for November 2020. There was no Fire Marshal report.

Motion to approve the William F. McAdoo Subdivision of Parcel Id # 230-004-00-00-0010-00

Motion by Tammi Iams, Second by Richard Fidler

Roll Call Vote: Fidler—yes, Iams—yes, Martin—yes, Croft—yes, Shingle—yes. Motion carried.

Motion to set the 2021 Real Estate Tax Rate at 1.05 mills

Motion by Tammi Iams, Second by Richard Fidler

Roll Call Vote: Fidler—yes, Iams—yes, Martin—yes, Croft—yes, Shingle—yes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve to grant a waiver from the Campground Ordinance requirement for a Campground Permit for a new private family Campground on a property on Schoolhouse Road, Tax Id No. 230-019-00-00-0010-03, requested by Heather L. Umphrey

Motion by Edward Shingle, Second by Kathleen Croft

Mr. Shingle amended the motion, with the agreement of Ms. Croft, to add "and similar situations in the future

During discussion prior to the vote, a motion was made as follows:

Motion to amend the Campground Ordinance to only apply to commercial campgrounds

Motion by Edward Shingle, Second by Kathleen Croft

Roll Call Vote: Fidler—yes, Iams—abstain—she stated she owns a campground, Martin—yes, Croft—yes, Shingle—yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Shingle will amend the Campground Ordinance for Board review. Mr. Martin noted that there should be a definition of commercial campgrounds.

Kathleen Miller, 29 S. Liberty Street, commented that the amended motion was very broad and might be an issue in the future, that future waivers should be considered as requested.

Mr. Fidler stated that waivers should be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Roll Call Vote on the amended motion to grant a waiver to Heather L. Umphrey for a private family Campground and similar situations in the future: Fidler—no, Iams—abstain—she stated she owns a campground, Martin—no, Croft—yes, Shingle—yes. Motion failed.

Motion to approve a waiver to Heather L. Umphrey, Tax Id No. 230-019-00-00-0010-03, for her own personal camper on her own personal property

Motion by Kathleen Croft, Second by Richard Fidler

Roll Call Vote: Fidler—yes, Iams—abstain—she stated she owns a campground, Martin—yes, Croft—yes, Shingle—no. Motion carried.

Motion to advertise the Township 2021 Organization Meeting to be held on January 4, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. and the Board of Auditors Organization Meeting to be held on January 5, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Motion by Tammi Iams, Second by Richard Fidler

Roll Call Vote: Fidler—yes, Iams—yes, Martin—yes, Croft—yes, Shingle—yes. Motion carried.

Motion to accept the resignations from Parks & Recreation Board and appoint the new members effective immediately

Motion by Tammi Iams, Second by Richard Fidler

Roll Call Vote: Fidler—yes, Iams—yes, Martin—yes, Croft—yes, Shingle—yes. Motion carried.

Motion to transfer Community Center Rentals Administration to the Parks & Recreation Board
Motion by Richard Fidler, Second by Tammi Iams
Roll Call Vote: Fidler—yes, Iams—yes, Martin—yes, Croft—no, Shingle—no. Motion carried.

The Police Report was not presented as Chief Yancosek left the meeting on a call.

The Road Department report was presented by Richard Fidler.

Motion to authorize Chairman Richard Fidler to sign the West Penn Power Easement Agreement and Statement of Compliance for installation of power pole and equipment to establish electric service at the property located at 727 Old National Pike for the new maintenance garage for an approximate amount of \$4,062.71, to be paid out of the Act 13 Fund, to be reimbursed from LSA grant funds
Motion by Richard Fidler, Second by Richard Martin
Roll Call Vote: Fidler—yes, Iams—yes, Martin—yes, Croft—yes, Shingle—yes. Motion carried.

Motion to accept the bid for Type 1 Antiskid, state-approved, delivered, from Donald D. Growden in the amount of \$23.90 per ton, and to accept the bid for Type 2 Antiskid state-approved, delivered, from Donald D. Growden in the amount of \$23.90 per ton
Motion by Richard Fidler, Second by Tammi Iams
Roll Call Vote: Fidler—yes, Iams—yes, Martin—yes, Croft—no, Shingle—no. Motion carried.

Motion to accept and ratify the Tentative Agreement between the Township and Police Union for a period from January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2022, along with all referenced/related attachments, including the Memorandum of Understanding between the Chief of Police and the Township, the Chief's Duties and Responsibilities, 2020 Retroactive Police Pay Schedule, and 2019 Retroactive Police Schedule
Motion by Richard Fidler, Second by Tammi Iams
Roll Call Vote: Fidler—yes, Iams—yes, Martin—yes, Croft—yes, Shingle—no. Motion carried.

Motion to accept and approve the Water Developer's Agreement between the Township and Tunnel Ridge, LLC, which will extend water service to property owned by Tunnel Ridge, LLC, as well as extend water service to other parts of the Township that have never had public water service
Motion by Richard Fidler, Second by Tammi Iams
Roll Call Vote: Fidler—yes, Iams—yes, Martin—yes, Croft—yes, Shingle—no. Motion carried.

Motion to accept the Audit of the Vacancy in the Secretary/Treasurer Office as presented by the Donegal Township Board of Auditors, and to pay Linda Geric and Lee Rodgers \$500.00 each for fifty (50) hours at \$10.00 per hour, and Kathleen Gilmore \$130.00 for thirteen (13) hours at \$10.00 per hour

Prior to the vote, a motion to table was made as follows:

Motion to table to accept the Audit of the Vacancy in the Secretary/Treasurer Office as presented by the Donegal Township Board of Auditors, and to pay Linda Geric and Lee Rodgers \$500.00 each for 50 hours at \$10.00 per hour, and Kathleen Gilmore \$130.00 for thirteen (13) hours at \$10.00 per hour
Motion by Kathleen Croft, Second by Edward Shingle

Roll Call Vote: Fidler—no, Iams—no, Martin—no, Croft—yes, Shingle—no. Motion failed.

Roll Call Vote on motion to accept the Audit of the Vacancy in the Secretary/Treasurer Office:
Fidler—yes, Iams—yes, Martin—yes, Croft—abstain, Shingle—abstain—stated he was in a fight with the Auditors.

Motion to sign the recapitulation report form for the Real Estate Tax Collector

Motion by Tammi Iams, Second by Richard Martin

Roll Call Vote: Fidler—yes, Iams—yes, Martin—yes, Croft—yes, Shingle—no. Motion carried.

Motion to hire an independent auditor to perform the 2020 audit, to be paid out of the Act 13 Fund

Motion by Kathleen Croft, Second by Edward Shingle

Prior to the vote, public comment was taken as follows:

Betty Shingle, 385 Lake Road, commented should have an independent auditor, multiple people had access to the township books.


Kathleen Gilmore commented that no one visiting the Township Secretary/Treasurer's office had access to the township books.

Roll Call Vote on motion to hire an independent auditor: Fidler—no, Iams—no, Martin—no, Croft—yes, Shingle—yes. Motion failed.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:42 p.m.

Motion by Richard Martin, Second by Tammi Iams

Roll Call Vote: Fidler—yes, Iams—yes, Martin—yes, Croft—no, Shingle—no. Motion carried.



Judith L. Taylor, Secretary/Treasurer