

MINUTES UPPER DAUPHIN COG

Thursday, May 16, 2019
Hosted by Mifflin Township

The regular monthly meeting of the Upper Dauphin Council of Governments was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Chris Blose. The following persons were in attendance:

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| Christopher Blose | Halifax Borough |
| Chris Dietz | Millersburg Borough |
| Trish Barder | Lykens Borough |
| Ron Koppenhaver | Rush Township |
| Alan Loesch | Jefferson Township |
| Robyn Loesch | Jefferson Township |
| Tom Billow | Mifflin Township |
| Wanda Hockenberry | Mifflin Township |
| Ronald Kolva | Mifflin Township |
| Debra Kish | Mifflin Township |
| John Orr | Upper Paxton Township |
| Greg Kline | Dauphin County 911 |
| Jerry Duke | TCRP |
| Sgt. Brian Wolfe | PSP - Lykens |

There were seven municipalities represented, seven are needed for a quorum.

MINUTES

Trish Barder made a motion to accept the Minutes and Treasurer's report of the March 21, 2019 meeting, Seconded by Tom Billow. All in favor. There was no quorum at the Lykens Borough April 18, 2019 meeting: there are no April minutes to approve. However, the Pennsylvania State Police sent two representatives to this meeting and a general discussion about State Police services was held.

TREASURERS REPORT

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| Balance March 2019 | \$3855.46 |
| March Bills | -199.00 |
| Dues | .00 |
| Interest | .10 |
| | <u>3656.56</u> |
| Bills to be paid at the May 2019 meeting | |
| Robyn Loesch April & May | 389.00 |

Chris Dietz made a motion to accept the treasurer's report for the May 16, 2019 meeting. Seconded by Ron Koppenhaver. All in favor.

CORRESPONDENCE – Chris Dietz asked that COG contact 911 for any contact numbers for the utilities. COG is also interested in a contact flowchart for utility issues.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – NONE

GUEST SPEAKERS

Jerry Duke, from TCRP, talked about their recent Water Quality Survey. TCRP is very interested in the municipalities' willingness to work together to achieve water quality goals. He gave an update on their transportation projects and had an updated project map. TCRP and HATS looks at the PennDOT TIP program, which is updated every two years. PennDOT is looking at a possible widening of 77 miles of Route 81. They are working to get one million, of the thirty-three million TIP money, earmarked for smaller scale local projects. The Dauphin County Comprehensive plan is in the implementation stage: please take a look at this plan on the TCRP website and let

them know about any local projects. TCRP will provide consistency letters for grant applications, as many grants require that projects are consistent with the County Plan. The 2020 Census is beginning; there will be six notices from the Census for address verification. Please let TCRP know if you have any population groups that are difficult to contact. TCRP recognizes local projects through their Premier Projects program.

Greg Kline, from Dauphin County 911, talked about 911 call processing and the plans for the "next generation" of improvements. Last November, they hosted a meeting with the local municipalities to discuss addressing. He reviewed the history and growth of the Dauphin County 911 system from its start in 1978. Under Act 12 of 2015, 911 is now under PEMA, which will plan and pay for the upgrade and system changes. The new system will be able to locate and use information from cell phones and other devices. Dauphin County is working on an eight county GIS and mapping upgrade. Correct addresses are important. The County handbook on addressing will be sent to the municipal offices. Dauphin County 911 has a goal of having any new address in the system within 5 days of notification.

Sgt. Brian Wolfe from PSP, talked about the upcoming National Night Out, August 6th. He is working with Bonnie Kent from the Northern Dauphin Human Services Center. There will be events for kids during the National Night Out event.

In April Lykens PSP had 530 incidents which included 125 criminal, 34 crashes, and 355 citations. PSP has a special incident reaction team of highly trained officers that deal with drug issues. There is an area-wide drug epidemic and overdoses. Two recent significant drug cases were from our local area. There are plans to build a new upgraded station house within six miles of their current location. As of yet, they have not finalized the site selection. Tom Billow asked questions about the age to drive farm equipment on public roads and the specific rules for what kind of farm equipment can be driven on the roads.

OLD BUSINESS -NONE

PROJECTS –Recycling. Chris Dietz asked if COG could check on the status of the planned upgrades to the County recycling bins and trucks. Also, Millersburg's cardboard bins are overflowing.

NEW BUSINESS

- The COG UCC Appeals Board could use additional members. There was a general discussion about potential members.
- Our website is undergoing an update through Cloud 5 Solutions. Chris Blose will be working with the webmaster to update the website.

PROBLEMS OF MUNICIPALITIES – Alan Loesch asked if any municipalities need flagger training.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next meeting will be at Jefferson Township on June 20th.

ADJOURNMENT Alan Loesch made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Chris Dietz. Meeting adjourned at 9:19.