

MINUTES UPPER DAUPHIN COG

Thursday, September 21, 2023
Hosted by Upper Paxton Township

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

Alan Bowman	Millersburg Borough
Alan Loesch	Jefferson Township
Robyn Loesch	Jefferson Township
Deb Everly	Jefferson Township, TCRP
Lynn Schadle	Gratz Borough
Ken Bechtel	Halifax Township
Carole Wertz	Lykens Borough
Jeanette Crabb	Lykens Borough
Rick Schadel	Lykens Township
Jordan Shetterly	Mifflin Township
John Shetterly	Mifflin Township
Bob Stoner	Upper Paxton Township
Bob Coleman	Upper Paxton Township
Rich Wiest	Upper Paxton Township
Luanna Zimmerman	Upper Paxton Township
Paul Szives	Upper Paxton Township
Karen Szives	Upper Paxton Township
Glen Stoneroad	Washington Township
Jane Lahr	Wayne Township
Brian Leiter	Williamstown EMS
Christine Miller	Williamstown EMS
Garrett Miller	Williamstown EMS
Steve Boyer	Medic 6
Joe Kerwin	State Representative 125 th District

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

At the start of the meeting, COG Vice President Alan Bowman read an EMS project update letter from President Chris Dietz. Chris reviewed the meetings of the EMS Committee and listed their goals.

MINUTES - There were two sets of previous Minutes to approve. Glen Stoneroad made a motion to accept the Minutes of the 3-16-23 meeting. Seconded by Jordan Shetterly. All in favor.
Bob Stoner made a motion to accept the Minutes of the 6-15-2023 meeting. Seconded by Carole Wertz. All in favor.

TREASURERS REPORT

Balance June 2023	\$4,247.38
Robyn Loesch (Sept)	-\$199.00
Caldwell & Kearns	-\$ 75.00
Interest	<u>.21</u>
Balance Sept 2023	\$3973.59

CORRESPONDENCE

- Comcast sent information about their local expansion.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - NONE

NEW BUSINESS

There was a general discussion about the EMS Committee. Upper Paxton Township is considering funding the EMS study and having the other the other COG municipalities sign MOUs to reimburse them in the event that the County does not approve the EMS study Gaming Grant application. This would allow us to go out for quotes for the study as soon as possible .Alan Bowman thanked UPT for their offer. The question was put to the assembled COG representatives, and it was decided to go to contact each COG municipality for their approval and commitment to participate in this reimbursement. UD COG is asking that each municipality put this issue on their October meeting Agenda and vote to commit to a population-based reimbursement of \$2 per person based on the 2020 census data. After individual municipal vote to commit, each individual municipality will sign a reimbursement Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Upper Paxton Township. Bob Stoner said the EMS Committee will meet one more time before the next COG meeting and Chris Dietz will be scheduling the committee meeting through Doodle. There was a discussion about what is the current financial support from some of the Municipalities to the local EMS providers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next meeting will be on January 18th and will be hosted by Williamstown EMS.

ADJOURNMENT. Carole Wertz made a motion to adjourn at 8:40. Seconded by Jordan Shetterly. All in favor