

MINUTES UPPER DAUPHIN COG

Thursday, October 15, 2015
At Lykens Township

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

Wendy Wentzel	Halifax Township
Alan Loesch	Jefferson Township
Robyn Loesch	Jefferson Township
Albert Morgan	Lykens Township
Ray Deppen	Lykens Township
Jean Deppen	Lykens Township
Ronald Kolva	Mifflin Township
Rich Keeney	Mifflin Township
Chris Dietz	Millersburg Borough
Ron Hepner	Upper Paxton Township
Donna Sitlinger	Washington Township
Robb Wentzel	LifeTeam/Medic 6

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

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING Ron Hepner made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 17, 2015, as written. Seconded by Chris Dietz. All in favor.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Checking Account:

Balance September 17, 2016 2015	\$3045.21
Expenditures Sept.	199.00
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Balance Oct.15, 2015	\$2,845.21
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Bills to be paid at the October 15, 2015 meeting

Robyn Loesch – Oct. 199.00

Albert Morgan made a motion, seconded by Donna Sitlinger to pay the bills. All in favor.

CORRESPONDENCE -

- Pinnacle Health sent a letter saying that John Logan has resigned from Pinnacle.
- The municipal attorneys have sent the municipalities an update about the current UDITO litigation.

PUBLIC COMMENT - NONE

GUEST SPEAKERS - NONE

NEW BUSINESS -

Chris Dietz gave an update about the recent meeting about the Regional Police Force Study. Seven options were discussed; four of these options dealt with municipalities around the Harrisburg area, one was for Hershey and Derry, one was for the Upper Dauphin Area, and the last one was for all of the municipalities combined. Projected costs were presented. The Study Committee will be contacting municipalities to discuss these options. It was discussed that consolidation probably did not make sense in the Upper Dauphin Area.

Alan Loesch commented that some of Hammakers last season E&C work was disappointing, but Hammakers came back this year and fixed the problems at no cost.

Ron Hepner commented that UPT used Mid-State Asphalt for pipe work and they were pleased with their work.

OLD BUSINESS

- Prevailing wage – Ron Hepner would like COG to contact Senator Teplitz's office about this issue.
- COG needs to contact Comcast to find out which office is now considered the local office for our area, Harrisburg or State College.

PROJECTS

- Recycling – program update. Last month's collection at UPT was the smallest in the past two years. There was only one truck load. Ron Hepner asked if COG could send out cost sharing letters to the local municipalities.

PROBLEMS OF LOCAL MUNICIPALITIES – Wendy Wentzel asked about having the COG UCC Appeals Board documentation updated. Atty Laskowski will need to be contacted.

The 11-15 construction project and the impact on the River Relief Route traffic was discussed. Leah Eppinger will be contacted to see if HATS would look into the possibility of light rail service in our area.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The November 19th meeting will be hosted by Wayne Township.

ADJOURNMENT

Ron Hepner adjourned the meeting at 8:20 on a motion by Alan Loesch, seconded by Chris Dietz..