

March 10,2026

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Derry Township, Montour County was held at 6:00pm in the Municipal Building at 21 Shed Road, Danville, PA 17821. Present were John Martz Sr., Shawn Betz, Greg Molter, Laurinda Voelcker, Joanne Betz, Kelly Miller, Bruce Miller, George Ritter, Bruce Earlston, Kate Seil-Earlston. Kelly Smith Wells, Rob Wells. Beth Burleigh, Sam Burleigh, Ken Mertz, Zak Hoffer and Vicki Koser.

The minutes were reviewed and approved by motion of Shawn and seconded by John. The call vote was 3 yes.

Joanne Betz informed the Board of a problem with the online pay option for taxes. She let us know that it is being corrected. George Ritter declined the option to be the Emergency Manager Coordinator. Kate and Bruce Earlston questioned the Board about the letter that was sent by our Solicitor regarding the pond on their property. They feel strongly that the Board should of reached out to them personally for an explanation before an official letter was sent. They responded with a return letter to our Solicitor stating that the appearance of a leak was from the pond's overflow pipe outlet that had broken off, which likely created the appearance of a leak. The pipe has since been replaced with a longer section that makes the outlet clearly visible. No repair to the dam structure was necessary. Supervisor Greg Molter apologized for the lack of communication. The Earlston's also asked about the barriers on Rhoades Hill Rd. Supervisors responded they are there on a temporary basis while we wait on grant approval to proceed with needed repairs.

Discussions followed on data center moratoriums and the meeting date for the County Commissioners. Kelly Smith- Wells asked if any more contacts were made by AI companies. Greg says no. Ken Mertz asked about the NMRPC and a moratorium is also now in place until the Ordinance can be updated to include data centers. Ken also asked if the Amish are being approached about their land and the answer was yes.

Zak Hoffer is concerned about the noise emanating from USG. He had talked with the plant supervisor and some sound deafening efforts were made but did not work. Greg Molter had asked Chris Bower to get involved. USG has to meet federal regulations so this could be an OSHA issue too.

Beth Burleigh asked about the Talen blasting and only sending homeowner notification with 1 mile of the blast site. Greg and John Had attended a meeting about this and reassured that the 1 mile radius is sufficient due to small charges being used.

The Treasurer report was approved by motion of Shawn and seconded by John. The call vote was 3 yes. The bills were accepted for payment by motion of Shawn and seconded by John. The call vote was 3 yes.

John Martz reported that the roof has been repaired. He also states there are numerous tires on Fossil Run and Indian Run Road. Greg suggests we check with the county recycling coordinator and maybe have the Scouts come out to do a community project.

John also thinks the pipes on Rhoades Hill Rd should be replaced. Greg suggests they have a look at the situation when they do their annual spring road inspection.

Kelly Smith-Wells informed the Board that the California Grange will be having a program about farmland preservation. She will let us know when.

With no further business the motion to adjourn was made by Greg.

Vicki Koser, Sec. Treas.