

AUGUST 11, 2026

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Derry Township was held on Tuesday, August 11, 2026 at 6:00pm in the Municipal Building. Present were Gary Roberts, Wade Barnhart, Kelly Smith- Wells, Robert Wells, Bruce Miller, Kelly Miller, John Martz Sr., Greg Molter, Joanne Betz, Shawn Betz and Vicki Koser.

The Minutes ere reviewed from the July 14,16 and Aug 3, 2026 meetings. All were accepted as written by motion of Shawn and seconded by John. The call vote was 3 yes.

Gary Roberts was present to speak on behalf of the Washingtonville Fire Co concerning the grant they were awarded. Township Supervisors were asked to sign the contract agreement with the Fire Company. Our Solicitor was not present but will be advised we will need to get the signed document to the Fire Company. The Fire company can then proceed with engineering and the bidding process.

Wade Barnhart was asking for information on Zoning laws. He was provided with the information for the NMRPC to seek answers.

Kelly Smith-Wells questioned if the Board responded to the letter from Trevor Finn concerning county vs local zoning. Derry Township has not replied because we are not sure what we are going to do. Kelly Smith-Wells informed the Board of a meeting scheduled for August 20, 2026 at the DeLong Memorial Center from 6-8pm. It will be with the DEP and their Department of Environmental Justice focusing on protection for citizens.

It was noted that the Solicitor had sent a letter to Medico Industries concerning the ongoing dispute of the cost and need for the cooler for the mower. The bill for the cooler is being held up for payment until we hear from Solicitor.

Secretary reported that the State Audit was completed with no exceptions.

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 John and seconded by Shawn. The call vote was 3 yes.

John Martz presented an estimate for a tree trimming attachment. Greg asked for a second estimate from a tree trimming company to do the job to compare the costs before a decision is made.

Greg reported on his attendance at the PSATS conference for dealing with difficult situations that arise at a meeting. He detailed to the public what he learned about steps to take to deescalate a situation.

Kelly Smith-Wells asked the Board about having a facebook page for the Township. Kelly was given the go ahead to work on this with final approval of the Board. The request for a Township flag was discussed again and Kelly said it would be readdressed when school reconvenes.

John Martz reported that fiber optic lines are being laid underground at Brittain and Delong Roads. Potential concern with how close to the Township line they are being installed.

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

Vicki E. Koser, Sec/Treas