July 14, 2026

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Derry Township was held Tuesday, July 14, 2026 at 6:00pm in the Municipal Building. Present were Kyle Gerber, Terry Gerber, Kelly Smith-Wells, Rob Wells, Paul StClair, Sam Burleigh, Kit Kelley, Cathy Kelley, Bruce Miller, Kelly Miller, Gus Jones, Joanne Betz, Laurinda Voelcker, John Martz, Shawn Betz, Greg Molter and Vick Koser.

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

Kit Kelley reminded the Board of the public hearing on data centers is July 16, 2026 at 7:00pm at the Limestone Township Building. Kit has concerns about no acreage limitations and no limit on the number of diesel backups.

Sam Burleigh invited the public to a national day of protest against data centers at Memorial Park in Danville this Saturday from 12:00 noon to 3:00pm.

Gus Jones spoke to the Board about gaining access to the farm fields on Steffens Road. He states he was told he would need to install a pipe. Greg suggested they get together to inspect the site and see what can be done. Gus will reach out with a date and time to make this happen.

Paul St Clair reported that a good job was done with trees that needed trimming. He also stated that there is car in the ditch on Hillside road that will need to be removed. Greg responded that the owner will be notified that it has to be moved.

Kelly Smith-Wells asked the Board when the term is up for Rob Davidson who is the lawyer for the NMRPC. His term is up for approval at each yearly reorganizational meeting in January.

Kyle Gerber was present to address the road condition at the entrance and exit to his driveway on Shed Road. With the extreme heat he will try to limit access to minimize any damages to the road. He has also installed no turn around signs.

Solicitor spoke on the request of Washingtonville Fire Co for a signed contract for the grant that was obtained. Shawn Betz stated that he could have Gary Roberts and Shannon Rudy come to the next meeting to explain what exactly is needed. The issue was tabled until next month's meeting. Solicitor also reported that she will be at the July 16 meeting to discuss data center ordinance. She will not be able to attend the vote that is scheduled for August 3, 2026.

Secretary reported on notice from DEP about Planned Land Development on Continental Blvd for a poultry operation. There will also be a State Fund Audit on Tuesday July 21.2026 that she will attend.

Greg Molter asked the public to weigh in on whether he should attend the PSATS sponsored Board Chair Retreat on August 6-7, 2026 at Toftrees in State College that will address conflict, civility and behaviors at Board Meetings. The Public was in favor and Secretary will confirm the reservations. Greg also read the letter we received from the Montour County Commissioners concerning the cost to run county administration for zoning. We were asked to discuss whether the County should continue to provide zoning services or assist local municipalities to establish their own zoning. Consideration was given to the possibility that the NMRPC could dissolve and merger with the county. Much discussion followed on all the possible scenarios. Questions were raised on how we could get more public interest.

Joh Martz reported that the new cooler is on but the mower is acting up now. Still trying to work with Medico for a solution. Solicitor is working on a letter to Medico but needs the Secretary to provide her with the original invoice for the equipment in question. John also reported that Cromley road is done. He feels it is high on one side so some posts were installed. The riding lawn mower is also not working and will need to be replaced. Shawn Betz asked if he could purchase it as if had once belonged to his family. Joh Martz will mow around the building for the remainder of the season just for fuel costs. Supervisors agreed.

Secretary was informed that the motion to adjourn was made by Shawn and seconded by John.

Vicki E. Koser, Sec