



THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING WAS HELD BY THE EAST DEER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2024, AT 7:48 P.M. IN THE EAST DEER TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING, CREIGHTON, PA.

MR. TALIANI CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

The secretary called the roll: Anthony Taliani - present; Rick Stoneburner - not present; Edward Kissel - present; Joseph Novosat - present; Jacob Gigler - present.

Also in attendance: Secretary - Chrystal M. Carmen - Public Works Supervisor Herman Bertolini - Engineer Mathew Pitsch - Residents - Alex Gigler, Amy Gigler, Dan Gigler, Jordon Gigler, Matthew Huha, Nathan Daily & Stephanie Headley

MINUTES

Mr. Taliani asked the wish of the Board on the meeting minutes from January 4th, 2024, Reorganization meeting. Mr. Gigler motioned to approve the minutes that were duly posted by the secretary from the January 4th, 2024, Reorganization meeting. Mr. Novosat second the motion. Mr. Taliani advised that it was regularly motioned and second, any questions or comments, all in favor say I. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Taliani asked the wish of the Board on the meeting minutes from January 4th, 2024, Monthly Meeting. Mr. Novosat motioned to approve the minutes that were duly posted by the secretary from the January 4th, 2024, Monthly Meeting. Mr. Kissel second the motion. Mr. Taliani advised that it was regularly motioned and second, any questions or comments, all in favor say I. Motion passed unanimously.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Mr. Matt Huha thanks the township for getting West Penn Power to fix the streetlights on Marion Street fixed so fast.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Taliani advised that we have a communication this evening,

1) Email from Suzanne DeCree asking for some guidance on a Full-Length Rock Opera where she might be able to find some grant funding. The board asked Mrs. Carmen to email Ms. DeCree back letting her know to try and get with the House of Rep. or the Senator that they might have some ideas on the Arts Grants that are out there.

BIDS

No bid's this evening.

RESOLUTIONS – ORDINANCES

Mr. Taliani asked the wish of the board for the approval of **Ordinance 849** to be advertised to be approved at a later meeting. Ordinance 849 is An Ordinance of The Township of East Deer, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, implementing a Five Percent (5%) Amusement Tax; Containing A Definitions Section. Requiring Providers of Amusement Events to Register with The Township; Detailing the Procedures for The Collection of the Amusement Tax by Providers or The Township; Requiring Providers of Amusement Events to File Reports with The Township; Providing for The Disposition of Taxes, Penalties, And Interest; Providing Penalties/Remedies for Violation; Repealing Inconsistent Ordinances And/or Portions of Inconsistent Ordinances; Including A Savings Clause and Providing an Effective date. Mr. Kissel motion to approve the advertisement of Ordinance 849. Mr. Gigler second the motion. Mr. Taliani advised that it was regularly motioned and second, any questions or comments, all in favor say I. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Taliani asked the wish of the board in **Resolution #2024-01** – Declaring the week of April 10th, 2024, as Local Government week. Mr. Novosat motion to approve Resolution #2024-01. Mr. Gigler second the motion. Mr. Taliani advised that it was regularly motioned and second, any questions or comments, all in favor say I. Motion passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Kissel – nothing this evening

Mr. Novosat – nothing this evening, just a question on the pickle ball what do we have to do with that. Mr. Taliani advised to paint lines on the tennis courts.

Mr. Stoneburner– not present

Mr. Gigler – nothing this evening

Mr. Taliani – Good news we picked up a grant for two additional demos of properties from Act 152 from the ACDD. These 2 properties we could not do previously. This makes 4 demos that will take place this year. They are all funded with grant money and if we have a match it will be very small. Also, the UAJ SJ was awarded a 1 Million dollar grant that they will be able to use to camera the sewers and some other work that will help with the decent decree.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Taliani advised that we have received information from Joe and Jake to put towards the 5 Year Capital Improvement. Ed advised he will drop off. Mr. Taliani advised that he will put all the information together for approval at next months meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Taliani asked the wish of the board on the Zoning Hearing Board request for expense for an attorney. Mr. Novosat thought we were going to table this since information was just given to us. Solicitor Mr. Alexander advised that he recommend that we table this till next month so we can look into. They should not need an attorney for the appeal process since East Deer Township is doing the appeal and to me that is double doing with attorneys. They should of had an attorney at the hearing meeting, when we offered to help them get one they did not want it. Mr. Kissel motioned to table the request till the March meeting. Mr. Novosat second the motion. Mr. Taliani asked for all in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Taliani advised that we need to do some discussing on the East Deer Township Water rates from Tarentum and Rate Fees. He advised that we can not absorb the rate increase from Tarentum, if we don't do anything than within a month we will be upside down, I want to see us have an Agenda Meeting on March 7th to discuss this in more time. Mr. Gigler advised that he did not like the proposal that Mr. Taliani had given. Mr. Taliani advised that was not an proposal it was just putting some numbers together. We have to do right for our residents. Mr. Taliani went over some of the 2024 estimates of expenseses for the water fund. We need to gather more information and data and with having the Agenda Meeting it will give us more time to talk and discuss.

BILLS

Mr. Taliani asked the wish of the board on the monthly bills presented by the Township Secretary. Mr. Kissel motioned to approve this month's bills presented by the township secretary. Mr. Gigler 2nd the motion. Mr. Taliani had 1 question on the bills, the bill for the Traffic Light, I thought I asked for you to call the insurance on it. Mrs. Carmen advised she did not recall that and that she called on the other item that he wanted to. She advised that she will call tomorrow and apologized for not calling. Mr. taliani advised that it has been Motion and second with more investing on the Traffic Light with the Insurance Company. Motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Novosat motioned to Adjourn. Mr. Kissel 2nd the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting Adjourned:
8:02 PM

Board Chairman

Township Secretary