

MINUTES

Thursday, May 18, 2006
Wayne Township Municipal Building

The regular monthly meeting of the Upper Dauphin Council of Governments was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by President Alan Loesch with the pledge of allegiance to the flag. The following persons were in attendance:

Alan Loesch	Jefferson Township
Michael Welker	Dauphin Borough
Mark Long	Gratz Borough
Ray Kissinger	Gratz Borough
Bonnie Lidle	Halifax Borough
Norma Shearer	Halifax Township
Albert Morgan	Lykens Township
Gene Gantz	Upper Paxton Township
Shirley Radel	Wayne Township
Gary Miller	Wayne Township
John Shoop	Wayne Township
Katharine Radomsky	Washington Twp./Dauphin Co. Recycling Coordinator
Kelly Wolf	Dauphin Co. Recycling Coordinator
Dennis Coffman	Candidate for 104 th District
Linda Bechtel	Secretary-Treasurer

There were nine municipalities represented. There are twenty members so ten are needed for a quorum.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the April 20 meeting were approved as read. It was also noted that meeting minutes are posted on the COG website www.udcog.org.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Checking Account:

Balance April 20	\$4,503.59
Receipts	440.28
Expenditures	296.00
Balance May 18	<u>\$4,647.87</u>

Money Market CD:

Balance April 20	\$4,959.72
Interest	17.56
Balance May 18	<u>\$4,977.28</u>

The Treasurer reported that dues were received from all municipalities in the Upper Dauphin area except Wiconisco Township. This brings the total enrollment to twenty municipalities. Since our By-Laws require a quorum of half the membership, we need ten municipalities present to take formal action.

CORRESPONDENCE

HATS (Harrisburg Area Transportation Study) 2005 Annual Report was received.

The HATS Technical Committee Meeting will be held June 9 at 9:00 a.m. and the Coordinating Committee Meeting will be held June 23 at 9:00 a.m.

OLD BUSINESS

Nothing new to report on PENN-DOT Mandated Sign Upgrades, Civic Day or Act 537.

UCC Appeals Board

The four candidates have agreed to serve on the Appeals Board. They are Randy Snyder and Lester Stence, who have construction backgrounds, Gary Grimm, architect, and Jim Eppley, engineer. Colton is working with Mitch Hoffman to prepare the necessary paperwork for the board to be formally appointed. Each municipality will need to adopt a resolution and the COG will also need a resolution to act on behalf of the municipalities.

ISO -700 NIMS Training

The required ISO training was then discussed. There are three links to sites for the training on the COG website. The training is required by September 30.

Recycling

Kelly Wolf reported on the Recycling situation. The E-Recycling will be held May 20 at HACC. She explained how this event is executed. She reported that the Williamstown recycling center is now open and that a third truck has been ordered, and she has not received any complaints in the last few weeks about overflow or problems with unacceptable materials being dropped off. Township and community clean up days were then discussed. Wayne Township told what a success their event was. Kelly stressed that she is available to help any community set up and execute a clean up day. The county has bins available for such an event and they will be glad to bring them to your location and assist in setting up a clean up event.

If you have any recycling questions or problems with the bins in your community, here are the numbers to call:

Recycling Center Hotline 780-6351.
Kelly Wolfe – Same as Hotline or 780-6352
Katharine Radomsky – 362-3267

The following numbers should only be used Monday thru Friday between 7:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m:

For newspaper, aluminum or glass – call Jeff at 350-9492
For plastic or cardboard – call Darren at 350-9490

President Loesch then reported that Travis Enders has offered to maintain the COG Website at a cost of \$15.00 an hour. It was agreed that since Travis set up the site and has maintained it in the past, this would be in the COG's best interest to have him continue to do so. Although the members present agreed to the payment, the lack of a quorum prevented approving it formally. This will be brought to a vote at the next meeting when there is a quorum present. It was also discussed that there should be a link, if there already isn't, to an area that can be accessed only by COG members.

NEW BUSINESS

President Loesch then discussed future speakers for COG meetings. Some of the potential speakers or topics for future meetings are Post Master, DEP, Mitch Hoffman, Candidates for Election, Wind Turbines, and Upper Dauphin Income Tax Office proposed budget.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next meeting will be June 15, 2006 and it will be held in the Halifax Township Municipal Building.

COG will not meet in July and August.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

