

MINUTES UPPER DAUPHIN COG

Thursday, October 20, 2016
Hosted by Lykens Township

The regular monthly meeting of the Upper Dauphin Council of Governments was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Ron Hepner. The following persons were in attendance:

Ron Hepner	Upper Paxton Township
Christopher Blose	Halifax Borough
Alan Loesch	Jefferson Township
Robyn Loesch	Jefferson Township
Trish Barder	Lykens Borough
Carole Wert	Lykens Borough
Janette Crabb	Lykens Borough
Albert Morgan	Lykens Township
Jean Deppen	Lykens Township
Ray Deppen	Lykens Township
Ron Kolva	Mifflin Township
Rich Keeney	Mifflin Township
Tom Billow	Mifflin Township
Chris Dietz	Millersburg Borough
Cindy Stout	Washington Township
Marty Sowers	Light-Heigel
Keith Heigel	Light-Heigel
Matthew Stoneroad	Representative Tobash's office

There were eight municipalities represented, seven are needed for a quorum.

MINUTES Janette Crabb made a motion to accept the minutes of the September 15, 2016 meeting. Seconded by Tom Billow. All in favor.

TREASURERS REPORT

Checking Account

Balance October 20, 2016 **\$2,353.22**

Bills to be paid at the October meeting

Robyn Loesch – October 199.00

Rich Keeney made a motion, seconded by Cindy Stout to approve the bills. All in Favor.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Millersburg Borough is again hosting LTAP classes. A notice will be sent out to all of the municipalities.
- Ed Boito, DEP Local Government Liaison, cannot come tonight, but hopes to be at a future meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS- NONE

GUEST SPEAKERS

Marty Sowers, Light-Heigel, came to give an end of year update. Chris Hoover was one of the local UCC inspectors. He has resigned, but his work will be picked up by the other UCC staff. Tom Billow commented that there is still ongoing confusion about the UCC process. Marty replied that one problem is that the local permit is actually an assessment permit, and should not be called a building permit. Building regulations are covered under the UCC permitting process. There are now stormwater regulations that need to be met when building. All of the local municipalities have a stormwater ordinance and they are responsible to see that stormwater regulations are met. The actual administration/enforcement of the municipal ordinance can be assigned to the municipal engineer. Keith Heigel commented that many of the rural municipalities were guided to choose a stormwater option that allowed for isolation distances, Marty discussed the proposed House Bill #782 which would allow alternative third-party agencies for building inspections. There was a general discussion about how this law would impact enforcement, and questions about the primary building code officer's (BCO) responsibility to L&I when using another agency's inspectors. Two COG municipalities currently have an assigned second (alternate agency) UCC inspector.

OLD BUSINESS

There was a discussion about recycling. Tom Billow commented that the County has not been on time for scheduled pick-ups. He will contact Keith Kepler. Ron Hepner talked about a joint grant application for a man-lift, the biggest problem would be how to share use and costs. Matt Stoneroad said that he would see if he can get us some information.

NEW BUSINESS - NONE

PROBLEMS OF MUNICIPALITIES - Tom Billow asked if anyone knew the rules for speed sign spacing. Keith Heigel volunteered to send the information from PennDOT publication 212.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The November 17th meeting will be hosted by Wayne Township.

ADJOURNMENT

Ron Hepner made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Trish Barder. Meeting adjourned at 8:04.