

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
PERRY TOWNSHIP

June 1, 2021

The committee-of-the-whole meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Perry Township was called to order by Chairman Lance N. Adam, at 7:30 p.m. on June 1, 2021 in the Township Municipal Building, 680 Moselem Springs Road, Shoemakersville, PA. This meeting is being recorded. This meeting is available on ZOOM.

Pledge of Allegiance

A roll call was conducted by Chairman Adam and the following Supervisors were present:

Lance N. Adam- PRESENT

Patrick J. Daly-PRESENT

Dean A. Adam- ABSENT

Sandra J. Madara, Secretary-Treasurer- ABSENT

Public Comments:

Deane Hamm- My question is for the Supervisor who is not present here this evening, I have a question for him and I want this on the record, that on May 13, 2021 at 2:10 PM, if it was professional of a supervisor to give an employee the middle finger sign, not once but twice, once on Dreibelbis Mill Road and the second time on Zion's Church Road. I am just wondering if that is professional of a supervisor to give an employee the finger? Supervisor Daly responded, NO, it's not professional and can you please identify for the record who that supervisor was? Deane Hamm said it was Supervisor Dean Adam. Supervisor Daly stated that this question will be part of the official minutes of the Perry Township Board of Supervisor's meeting on June 1, 2021 and on behalf of the Board, I can say that it is not appropriate in any fashion, not just here, but in any employment for someone to behave that way. Supervisor Daly apologized on behalf of the Board. Dean Hamm said "you do not have to apologize, it was not you who did it," so that is the problem. Secondly my question is also directed toward Dean Adam, was it appropriate for him to collect unemployment during the pandemic, when he was on medical leave? I was on medical leave and I was not notified that I could collect. I was under the assumption that I could not because I was under medical leave for my shoulder operation. He (Dean Adam) had a neck operation and he collected. Supervisor Daly said in regard to your second question, we are restricted from discussing the employment records of another employee of the township, however, addressing your situation directly, I will be happy to speak with you after the meeting in private to discuss your options regarding unemployment during that time. We are not permitted; it would be a violation of HIPA laws and everything else. Deane Hamm said, my question to him is, "was it okay for his wife to notify Dennis and Ronnie that they could collect?" Because she (Rosanne Adam) notified them, I heard that from both of them. Supervisor Daly said "again, we can't discuss this." Deane Hamm said, "I know, I just want everyone to know what happened here." "He is a supervisor who wants to be the up and up man and we elected him as a township official, I just wanted to put that out there. "

Nancy James commented "bring it on, I am loving it."

Megan Davey -Was on Zoom and said she wants to learn more of what is going on in the township. She has lived here for 16 years and would just like to know what is going on. Supervisor Daly also informed everyone that there will be a township news letter that will be coming out in about a month. The township's first news letter in a long time.

4. Review List of Invoices- Bills for payment.

5. Review Unofficial Minutes of Committee Meeting of May 4, 2021, and the Supervisor's Meeting of May 11, 2021.

6. Dietrich Tract- the farm directly behind Kuzan's. This will consist of 297 multi-family apartment units. 20 apartments per building.

7. Perry Tract- Directly across from Rubright Construction- This tract will be 147 multi-family town house units. This does not go with the Bell tract. They have been to the Municipal Authority already.

8. Northern Berks EMS - Supervisor Daly stated that President Biden signed into effect the CARES Act and part of each municipality we are entitled to \$100 per resident. This is what we will get in terms of grant money. It comes out to a little more than \$245,000.00. We will get half of that this year and the other half next year. So, the letter from Northern Berks Medical services is asking us to use some of this money toward emergency services. There is a very narrow list of what the money can be used for. Fire and EMS is one of those uses. That will be a discussion in a public forum at a later time.

Comments:

Supervisor Daly stated that he has been receiving phone calls about the excellent job of the grass cutting.

Deane Hamm asked the question, "a motion was made to spend x amount of dollars? Supervisor Daly stated we can purchase anything less than \$1,000 if it is an operational necessity and considered to be an emergency, we can bypass the board up to a certain dollar amount, but anything over \$1,000 I am not comfortable with not going thru the board. Deane Hamm said "This brings me to my second question, I broke the shaft to the installer, that installs the anchors for the road signs, I backed into a ground bank it and broke right off. Do I need to run that thru the board or can I go get it fixed? Supervisor Daly stated, find out how much it is before you buy it, but that is a necessity so you need to get it. "I will go to Levan's and get a price." Supervisor Daly said, this is an equipment repair."

Megan Davey – Thanks to whoever mowed my banks! Much appreciated!

Adjourn:

Chairman Adam made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Daly. to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. Motion carried with all Supervisors voting yes.

MINUTES APPROVED ON
July 13, 2021

RECORDED BY

Lance N. Adam, Chairman

Sandra J. Madara, Secretary/Treasurer