

**Minutes for Regular Meeting of East Union Township Supervisors**

**Held on Monday, January 13th, 2025, at 5:30 pm located at 10 E Elm St. Sheppton  
PA 18248**

- **Time Meeting Called to Order: 6:02 pm**
- **Supervisors/Officers Present at the Meeting:** Chairperson – K. Mummey, Vice-Chairperson – W. Danchision, Board member – J. Careyva, Secretary – S. Van Gieson, Treasurer – M. Gaizick, Solicitor - Attorney Karpowich, Engineer – D. Yannuzzi.

**Public participation on agenda items only (Chairperson reserves the right to limit each person to five minutes).** *Note: Attendees may make public comments; your name and address may be recorded in meeting minutes. Comments/questions not serving legitimate Township purpose may not be addressed or answered by the Supervisors.*

- Motion to approve December's Regular Meeting Minutes: Motion made by W. Danchision, seconded by K. Mummey.  
Roll Call: Mummey \_\_\_X\_\_\_; Danchision \_\_\_X\_\_\_; Careyva \_\_\_abstain\_\_\_
- Motion to approve December 2024 Treasurer's Report: Motion made by W. Danchision, seconded by K. Mummey  
Roll Call: Mummey \_\_\_X\_\_\_; Danchision \_\_\_X\_\_\_; Careyva \_\_\_X\_\_\_
- Motion to approve unpaid reviewed bills – Motion made by W. Danchision, seconded by K. Mummey.  
Roll Call: Mummey \_\_\_X\_\_\_; Danchision \_\_\_X\_\_\_; Careyva \_\_\_X\_\_\_
- **Township Officers' Reports:**
  - Solicitors' Report:
    - ✓ Zoning Decision: Bob Lex – Motion to appeal EUT's Zoning Hearing Board Decision was made by W. Danchision, seconded by K. Mummey.  
Roll Call: Mummey \_\_\_X\_\_\_; Danchision \_\_\_X\_\_\_; Careyva \_\_\_NAY\_\_\_
    - ✓ Zoning Decision: Phineyville Solar Farm – Motion to approve was made by W. Danchision, seconded by J. Careyva.  
Roll Call: Mummey \_\_\_X\_\_\_; Danchision \_\_\_X\_\_\_; Careyva \_\_\_X\_\_\_
    - ✓ 129 Phineyville Rd. Solar Extension Request – Motion was made by W. Danchision, seconded by J. Careyva.  
Roll Call: Mummey \_\_\_X\_\_\_; Danchision \_\_\_X\_\_\_; Careyva \_\_\_X\_\_\_
    - ✓ Motion to approve amending Section 1: Administration and Government: Compensation of Elected Officials of the Code of Ordinances 2025-01 – Motion made by W. Danchision, seconded by K. Mummey.  
Roll Call: Mummey \_\_\_X\_\_\_; Danchision \_\_\_X\_\_\_; Careyva \_\_\_X\_\_\_

- Engineer's Report:
- Police Report:
- Road Report:
- Code Report:
- Zoning Report:
- Pumpy Project Report:
- Other Officer Reports:

**Phineyville Solar:** Shawn Brandt (New Leaf Energy) – advised that the EUT ZHB approved the variance that was applied for (setbacks – 100 ft requirement / current 35 ft). They are seeking to have a conditional letter approved instead of an extension. As this would stop the clock on the project. Attorney Karpowich stated that the comments that were reviewed on his recommendation letter did not refer to SALDO. And that the extension and conditional letter serve as the same purpose. D. Yannuzzi asked about NPDES permits, of which Mr. Brandt advised that they are anticipating them within a few weeks. Attorney Karpowich advised that they make the proper adjustments, and this will be reviewed for approval at the next meeting.

**Lex appeal:** The board did not agree with the ZHB's decision, and a passed motion was completed to appeal.

**Supervisor Compensation:** Governor increased supervisors' salaries; however, this only applies to newly appointed supervisors. Motion was made to increase in accordance with the state.

**Engineers Report:** playground – swing and other structure were ordered. D. Yannuzzi advised he has been working with ARM Group. There have not been any updates yet regarding the PIB Loan.

▪ **Old Business:**

- Motion to ratify hiring of part-time police officer Anthony DiVirgilo and Frederick Lahovsky at \$24.00 – Motion made by W. Danchision, seconded by K. Mummey.

Roll Call: Mummey \_\_\_X\_\_\_; Danchision \_\_\_X\_\_\_; Careyva \_\_\_X\_\_\_

▪ **New Business:**

- Motion to accept offer for landfill (Schuylkill County Landfill Assoc.) approximately \$204,000.00 – Motion made by W. Danchision, seconded by K. Mummey.

Roll Call: Mummey \_\_\_X\_\_\_; Danchision \_\_\_X\_\_\_; Careyva \_\_\_X\_\_\_

- Motion to increase part-time salary for S. Michalesko – Executive Session Motion to increase the rate to \$24.00 contingent upon signing the contract.

Roll Call: Mummey \_\_\_X\_\_\_; Danchision \_\_\_X\_\_\_; Careyva \_\_\_X\_\_\_  
Executive Session – 6:00 pm – 6:17pm.

- Motion to accept LGUDA (Local Government Unit Debt Act) Ordinance 2025-02 – Motion was made by W. Danchision, seconded by K. Mummey.

Roll Call: Mummey \_\_\_X\_\_\_; Danchision \_\_\_X\_\_\_; Careyva \_\_\_X\_\_\_

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E. Matuszkiewicz – updates on police chief? Not currently. Asking about the trench in front of the building, it was advised that this ensures proper drainage.

R. Trojan – what is the holdup with the police chief? K. Mummey stated that there currently is an officer in charge, and they did not move forward with the candidates that were interviewed. He is also seeking to have more signage throughout the township. D. Danchision advised they are hoping to purchase another speed sign soon.

R. Gabardi – Reviewed the SOVFC yearly fire report.

R. Trojan – the painting of the white lines is helping with speeding.

E. Matuszkiewicz – asking about the liquor license for the former Blue Moon. She was advised that zoning approvals would be needed.

S. Gerneth – speaking on the Sheppton Mtn. being grated and if it can stay like this, as it has cut down on accidents. This is up to PennDOT as this is a state road.

- **Motion to Adjourn: Motion made by W. Danchision, seconded by K. Mummey.**
- **Meeting Time Adjourned: 6:27 pm**
- **Members of Public in Attendance (please see attached sign-in sheet):**