

# Doylestown Township will begin televising meetings

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The Doylestown Township Board of Supervisors will begin televising its meetings next month.

Cameras and microphones have been set up at the board's meeting room with the goal of being ready for live local-access cable broadcasts beginning with the first meeting in September.

Kurt Krause, Telecommunications Advisory Board chairman, provided board members with a very brief update on the project. And, the equipment got a test-run at last Tuesday's supervisors meeting.

"Right now, everything's all set up," Krause said.

Staff members were busy testing the cameras, adjusting the microphones and testing the

recording equipment Aug. 5.

Once the broadcast recordings begin, board meetings will be aired on cablecast on channel 22, the township's Government Access channel on Comcast Cable, and on channel 31 on Verizon Fios. Times and dates will be posted, Krause said.

In March, supervisors approved a proposal to buy three cameras, microphones and a

digital recorder, and upgrade the meeting room audio system at the township building - all necessary to televise the bi-weekly meetings.

Krause said at the time, it should take about two months to buy equipment and another two months to install it and get it up and running. Spending on the equipment was not to exceed \$19,475, which was the

amount set aside in this year's budget.

Krause said that the installation went according to plan and spending came in \$300 under budget.

Doylestown isn't alone.

Bensalem Township, Upper Makefield Township and Warminster Township already televise their meetings, according to Krause.