

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING OF:
October 20, 2025

The regular monthly meeting of the Washington Township Board of Supervisors was held on Monday, October 20, 2025.

Those in attendance were Chairman John J. Krause, Supervisor Lynn Brown, Secretary/Treasurer Holly McCrea, and Solicitor Rick Wiest. Also in attendance were Harold Bachert Jr., Deb Bachert, Craig Rhein, Pam Rhein, Harmony Etzweiler, Brennden Etzweiler, Jason Richter, Ronald Bachert, Jason S, Jessica Holley, and Nancy Welty.

Chairman Krause opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Krause reminded the residents of the notices regarding meeting conduct and public comment procedures.

CORRESPONDENCE: The following miscellaneous correspondence was received and presented to the Board of Supervisors for their review; a list was also included in the public packet. Received from:

1. Keith Heinbach Tax Collection Report 9/1/2025 – 9/30/2025
2. Notification that ACT 205 was submitted for Washington Township
3. Bidders list for the October 23rd judicial sale
4. Mosquito Season Summary
5. PPL permit request for replacing/installing utility poles along Kurtz and Wolfes Rd
6. PMRS report January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2024
7. MRM Trust Bylaws & certificate of participation
8. Notice of reinstatement of certificate holder – PA Department of Labor & Industry for Sunwise Energy LLC
9. Notice of cancellation to certificate holder – PA Department of Labor & Industry for Sunwise Energy LLC
10. FCCB – Statement
11. Fulton Bank – Statement
12. PLGIT - Statement

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: Resident Jessica Holley raised concern about how millage will be handled within Washington Township with the new County reassessment. Solicitor Wiest gave an overview of the appeal process and said that final decisions will go out in November from the county. Jessica Holley raised concern over the current Secretary/Treasurer leaving and how a new Secretary/Treasurer will be protected from resident Welty.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Upon motion of Chairman Krause, seconded by Supervisor Brown, approving the minutes for the September 22, 2025, regular monthly meeting without correction. This motion unanimously carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT AND BILLS FOR APPROVAL: Upon motion of Chairman Krause, seconded by Supervisor Brown, the September 9, 2025 – October 13, 2025, Treasurer's Report was approved with a balance in all accounts, before receipts and bills, was \$1,522,608.67.

Included in this motion was the approval of payment of all bills presented. This motion unanimously carried.

RECEIPTS: The report of receipts (September 9, 2025 – October 13, 2025) listing \$37,035.46 in EIT receipts and \$32,367.92 in regular General Fund receipts was approved as printed upon motion of Chairman Krause, seconded by Vice-Chairman Wolfe. This motion unanimously carried.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: Solicitor Wiest did not have anything independent to report on, but did let the Board know about a free webinar from Penn State Extension regarding data centers.

ROADMASTER REPORTS: Roadmaster Brown stated they are getting the trucks ready for winter/snow. Brown stated he is working on his end of the budget and gathering information from vendors and suppliers for future work on the Turkey Farm Rd bridge.

COUNTY ZONING:

- a. Schuylkill Conservation District: Browns Rd E&S Plan Review – adequate
- b. DEP: Approval letter – exception. Mease Subdivision
- c. Schuylkill Planning and Zoning: Conditional Final Plan Approval – Mease Subdivision

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: EMC Nick Miller was not in attendance.

NEW BUSINESS 9/22/2025: Chairman Krause motioned to accept the August 2025 tax exemptions provided by Tax Collector Keith Heinbach, seconded by Supervisor Brown. This motion unanimously carried.

Resident Nancy Welty stated she contacted other Townships and found that they are using web design through PSATS at \$20/month and \$200/year. She stated that their secretaries built and updated the websites. Welty discussed the cost of the Township building and her feelings regarding remote work and staffing, and asked Secretary/Treasurer McCrea if she could explain. Chairman Krause stated this decision was a board decision.

Vice-Chairman Wolfe motioned to approve Marty from Light-Heigel & Associates to proceed with code enforcement on 3 Beech Tree Dr regarding someone living out of a camper, seconded by Supervisor Brown. This motion unanimously carried.

Supervisor Brown motioned to approve Marty from Light-Heigel & Associates to proceed with code enforcement at 1085 Rock Rd for running a hose through a window of the house to the oil tank, seconded by Vice-Chairman Wolfe. This motion unanimously carried.

Secretary/Treasurer McCrea stated she was contacted by a resident living on Bass Lane who requested how to go about getting a private lane sign. The Board reviewed the ordinance and stated the responsibility of payment is on the homeowners and they will need to sign a waiver taking responsibility for the sign.

OLD BUSINESS 10/20/2025: Secretary/Treasurer McCrea stated she had replied to the resident regarding the Bass Lane sign, but that they had asked if they paid for it, would the Township put

the sign up? The Board agreed that since this is a private lane, not onto a Township right of way, it was best to advise the resident to have a landscaper install the sign.

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Secretary/Treasurer McCrea asked that Chairman Krause sign the letter of intent to use Garman, Garcia, and Shea as the 2025 auditor.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors of Washington Township, upon motion of Chairman Krause, seconded by Supervisor Brown, the meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m. This motion unanimously carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Holly McCrea
Secretary/Treasurer
Washington Township