BOS Meeting Minutes

Washington Township, Lehigh County Emerald, PA

July 1st, 2025

Chairman Josh Friebolin called the monthly meeting for Washington Township, Lehigh County Board of Supervisors to order at 7:30 PM at the Washington Township Building, 7951 Center St. Emerald, PA.

This meeting has been recorded for the accuracy of taking minutes.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Members Present – Chairman Josh Friebolin, Vice Chairman Shawn Wanamaker, Member Tom Dengler

Roll Call: Shawn Wanamaker- Yes; Tom Dengler-Yes; Josh Friebolin-Yes

Also present were Manager Wade Marlatt, Secretary/Treasurer Brooke Lichtenwalter, and Attorney John Ashley

Motion to approve the 7/1/2025 workshop minutes was made by Shawn Wanamaker and seconded by Tom Dengler.

Roll call: Shawn Wanamaker- Yes; Tom Dengler- Yes; Josh Friebolin-Yes

Motion to approve the 6/3/2025 minutes of the Board of Supervisors meeting was made by Shawn Wanamaker and seconded by Tom Dengler.

Roll call: Shawn Wanamaker- Yes; Tom Dengler- Yes; Josh Friebolin-Yes

Motion to approve the May 2025 Treasurer's Report was made by Shawn Wanamaker and seconded by Tom Dengler.

Roll call: Shawn Wanamaker- Yes; Tom Dengler- Yes; Josh Friebolin-Yes

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS: None

SUBDIVISIONS: None

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT:

Joe Mead presented the Emergency Management report. Back in November of 2024 the board passed a resolution to adopt the Lehigh County Hazard Mitigation Plan. PEMA let Lehigh County know the resolution was not accepted.

Some extra steps that will be taken in order to get the plan passed.

- 1. Review the plan and document process.
- 2. Document the agreement with the stated mitigation goals in the plan by filing associated forms.
- 3. Document general public and local government involvement (will be completed with an online survey).
- 4. Pass a resolution with an updated date adopting the findings in the plan and sign the amendment letter.

This is all currently in process. The survey will be up and running soon and will be available for one week.

Joe will be traveling for work during the month of July. In the meantime, Deputy Matt Stevens will be available to assist in Joe's absence.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Chairman Josh Friebolin read the thank you letter from the Slatington History Preservation Committee.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Motion was made by Shawn Wanamaker to approve the advertisement for Ordinance 2025-01, setting the speed limit at thirty-five (35) mph on High Hill Road from Old Post Road to Walnut Street and seconded by Tom Dengler.

Roll call: Shawn Wanamaker- Yes; Tom Dengler- Yes; Josh Friebolin-Yes

2. Motion was made by Shawn Wanamaker to approve the Holding Tank agreement for 2529 Welshtown Road and seconded by Tom Dengler.

Roll call: Shawn Wanamaker- Yes; Tom Dengler- Yes; Josh Friebolin-Yes

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Patty Ingles had two questions during public comment. First question being the current speed limit on High Hill Road. Josh said there currently is none.

Second question was an update on the dry hydrant that was being repaired Mr. Rex's property from last month's BOS meeting. Wade let Patty know that it is in the process of being repaired.

SUPERVISOR COMMENT: None

MEETING ADJOURNED: 7/1/2025 at 7:42 PM.

A motion was made by Shawn Wanamaker for adjournment and seconded by Tom Dengler.

Roll Call: Shawn Wanamaker- Yes; Tom Dengler- Yes; Josh Friebolin-Yes

Respectfully submitted,

Brooke Lichtenwalter

Secretary/Treasurer Washington Township, Lehigh County