

BOS Meeting Minutes
Washington Township, Lehigh County
Emerald, PA
September 1st, 2026

Chairman Shawn Wanamaker 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 Shawn Wanamaker, Vice Chairman Tom Dengler, Member Robert Schramel

Roll Call: Robert Schramel -Yes; Tom Dengler – Yes; Shawn Wanamaker – Yes

Also present were Manager Wade Marlatt, Secretary/Treasurer Brenda Park and Attorney John Ashley

Motion to approve the 09/01/2026 Workshop minutes was made by Tom Dengler and seconded by Robert Schramel.

Roll call: Robert Schramel – Yes; Tom Dengler – Yes; Shawn Wanamaker - Yes

Motion to approve the 08/04/2026 minutes of the Board of Supervisors meeting was made by Tom Dengler and seconded by Robert Schramel - Yes.

Roll call: Robert Schramel – Yes; Tom Dengler – Yes; Shawn Wanamaker - Yes

Motion to approve the July 2026 Treasurer’s Report was made by Tom Dengler and seconded by Robert Schramel.

Roll call: Robert Schramel – Yes; Tom Dengler – Yes; Shawn Wanamaker - Yes

PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR AGENDA ITEMS – None

SUBDIVISIONS AND LAND DEVELOPMENT – None

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT – None

CORRESPONDENCE - None

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Motion was made by Tom Dengler and seconded by Robert Schramel to approve the adoption of the road opening ordinance 2026-01.

Roll call: Robert Schramel – Yes; Tom Dengler – Yes; Shawn Wanamaker-Yes

2. Motion was made by Tom Dengler and seconded by Robert Schramel to approve the authorization for the NL Chamber of Commerce to hold a tree lighting ceremony at either Eagles Nest Park on or around December 4, 2026.

Roll call: Robert Schramel – Yes; Tom Dengler – Yes; Shawn Wanamaker –Yes

3. Motion was made by Tom Dengler and seconded by Robert Schramel to the repair and adding a middle bar around the fence at the basketball court as well as adding a second door at Slatedale Park to be paid for out of the recreation fund.

Roll call: Robert Schramel – Yes; Tom Dengler – Yes; Shawn Wanamaker –Yes

4. Motion was made by Tom Dengler and seconded by Robert Schramel to advertise for a part-time plow driver.

Roll call: Robert Schramel – Yes; Tom Dengler – Yes; Shawn Wanamaker –Yes

5. Motion was made by Tom Dengler and seconded by Robert Schramel to set the date for Trick-or Treat as 10/28/2026 from 6 to 8 pm.

Roll call: Robert Schramel – Yes; Tom Dengler – Yes; Shawn Wanamaker –Yes

6. Motion was made by Tom Dengler and seconded by Robert Schramel to set the date and advertise for the budget meeting as 10/12/2026 at 5:15 pm.

Roll call: Robert Schramel – Yes; Tom Dengler – Yes; Shawn Wanamaker –Yes

7. Motion was made by Tom Dengler and seconded by Robert Schramel to sponsor a county LSA grant application for the Emerald Fire Company. A new resolution will be created for them to apply for up to \$150,000 for new air packs.

Roll call: Robert Schramel – Yes; Tom Dengler – Yes; Shawn Wanamaker –Yes

8. The request to sponsor a statewide LSA grant application for the Emerald Fire Company has been tabled.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Joel Merkel wanted everyone to know that since Cetronia no longer services Lynn Township, NOVA now does, if you need an ambulance, it might take a long time for one to come.

SUPERVISOR COMMENT –

A motion was made by Tom Dengler for adjournment and seconded by Robert Schramel.

Roll Call: Robert Schramel – Yes; Tom Dengler – Yes; Shawn Wanamaker-Yes

MEETING ADJOURNED - 7:47 pm

NEXT BOS MEETING DATE – Tuesday, October 6, 2026