

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING OF:
February 17, 2025

The regular monthly meeting of the Washington Township Board of Supervisors was held Monday, February 17, 2025.

Those in attendance were Chairman John J. Krause, Vice-Chairman Eric Wolfe, Supervisor Brown, Secretary/Treasurer Holly Reinford, and Solicitor Rick Wiest. Also in attendance were Nick Miller and Jennifer Foose.

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. Neighborhood Assistance Program (NAP)
2. Erie Insurance: Certificate of Insurance; Belmont Solar LLC
3. Acord: Certificate of Insurance; Great Day Improvements, LLC
4. Acord: Certificate of Insurance; Wood Originals, Inc
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8. Envision a Resilient Schuylkill County Summit
9. Berkheimer Audit Request
10. RTK: Pine Grove Joint Treatment
11. General Permit Acknowledgement: Paul Berger Streambank Rehabilitation
12. FEMA: When Disaster Strikes: 7-hour evaluation course March 25th
13. Real Estate and Per Capita Files
14. Office of Public Safety: 0 Mountain Rd has been assigned 175 Spancake Rd for 911
15. COSTARS Approved Salt Agreement
16. North End January Run Stats
17. Washington Township Loss Control Report
18. FCCB – Statement
19. Fulton Bank – Statement
20. PLGIT - Statement

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: District Judge candidate, Jennifer Foose, spoke to the board and the room about her running for the district judge position. She brings 18 years of court experience and feels her background will be an asset to the district court.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Upon motion of Chairman Krause, seconded by Supervisor Brown, approving the minutes for January 20, 2025, regular monthly meeting without correction. This motion unanimously carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT AND BILLS FOR APPROVAL: Upon motion of Chairman Krause, seconded by Vice-Chairman Wolfe, the January 17, 2025 – February 14, 2025, Treasurer's Report was approved with a balance in all accounts, before receipts and bills, was \$1,115,845.60. Included in this motion was the approval of payment of all bills presented. This motion unanimously carried.

RECEIPTS: The report of receipts (January 17, 2025 – February 14, 2025) listing \$19,928.54 in EIT receipts and \$4,913.22 in regular General Fund receipts was approved as printed upon motion of Chairman Krause, seconded by Supervisor Brown. This motion unanimously carried.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: Solicitor Wiest stated he has nothing to report on.

ROADMASTER REPORTS: Roadmaster Brown stated the new heaters are all in and the new truck and new skid loader are also in the township garage. Brown stated the old skid steer will be taken to auction in March. Chairman Krause gave a friendly reminder to keep up trainings and certifications for the road crew.

COUNTY ZONING:

- a. Schuylkill Planning & Zoning: Planning Commission Decisions – February 12, 2025 Meeting; McHugh Subdivision.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: EMC Nick Miller didn't have any reports. Miller provided the Board of Supervisors with a cost breakdown of a fire tax proposal that would be split between four fire companies and would eliminate yearly fund driving.

OLD BUSINESS 01/20/2025: Removing Loop Rd signage as no one has shown up, called, e-mailed, or otherwise communicated anything more on this topic.

NEW BUSINESS 01/20/2025: December 2024 Tax Exemption Requests: Chairman Krause motioned to accept the December 2024 tax exemptions submitted by tax collector Keith Heinbach, seconded by Vice-Chairman Wolfe. This motion unanimously carried.

114 Dad Burnhams Rd (misadded as 11 Koty Lane): resident Harry Pfeiffer stated he has an ongoing issue with this neighbor regarding ash being dumped on the driveway and washing onto his property and the road drains. The Board suggested Washington Township (Secretary/Treasurer Reinford) contact the Conservation District on his behalf to get him some information.

BEAD Application & Resolution 2025 – Four: Chairman Krause motioned to fill out and submit the BEAD application as well as accept Resolution 2025-Four regarding Washington Township's participation in BEAD, seconded by Vice-Chairman Wolfe. This motion unanimously carried.

Chairman Krause motioned to accept Resolution 2025 – Three, appointing Garcia, Garman, and Shea, PC as the auditing CPA for 2024, seconded by Supervisor Brown. This motion unanimously carried.

Supervisor Brown motioned to purchase a 2024 Chevy 3500 through COSTARS for \$73,629.00, seconded by Vice-Chairman Wolfe. This motion unanimously carried.

Chairman Krause motioned to advertise the sale of the old skid loader, seconded by Supervisor Brown. This motion unanimously carried.

OLD BUSINESS 02/17/2025: Removing 114 Dad Burnhams Rd as Secretary/Treasurer Reinford stated the conservation district doesn't handle, DEP doesn't handle, and PennDot isn't returning any calls. The Board agrees to remove.

NEW BUSINESS 02/17/2025: Chairman Krause motioned to move the remaining \$43,849.58 in ARPA funds to the General Fund, this motion seconded by Vice-Chairman Wolfe. This motion unanimously carried.

Chairman Krause had inquired about the cost of CINTAS and if we needed these services twice a month. Secretary/Treasurer Reinford stated she will speak with the representative next time she comes in. Roadmaster Brown stated that the road crew likes some of the CINTAS specific products for the shop. Chairman Krause will have Secretary/Treasurer Reinford check into the cost of just maintaining the shop first aid.

Supervisor Brown motioned to appoint James Martin Jr. as the UCC Appeals Board Member, seconded by Chairman Krause. This motion unanimously carried.

Chairman Krause motioned to refund Trinity Solar their \$50 permit fee for a canceled install, seconded by Supervisor Brown. This motion unanimously carried.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors of Washington Township, upon motion of Chairman Krause, seconded by Vice-Chairman Wolfe the meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m. This motion unanimously carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Holly Reinford
Secretary/Treasurer
Washington Township