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#### **Minutes**

# Milford Township Board of Supervisors' (BOS) Hybrid Workshop & Meeting September 2, 2025, 7:00 P.M.

**Location:** 560 Route 6 & 209, Milford, PA 18337

Workshop – 6:30 PM – A resident wants to construct an addition to his property, which is within the setback of the lot line. The addition will be built on top of the existing footprint, so it will not increase the nonconformity. The Supervisors instructed him that a variance application must be submitted to the Zoning Hearing Board (ZHB) by the Zoning Officer for approval. The application fee is \$900. ZHB meetings are held as needed and must be advertised. Neighbors within 200 feet must be notified prior to the hearing.

The Secretary was instructed to forward the Data Center Ordinance received from the County to the Planning Commission. She was also instructed to add the approval of the LSA application to the agenda for the next meeting. Updated cost estimates will be required.

The Supervisors voted unanimously to enter into an executive session to discuss a personnel matter.

#### Call to Order:

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Milford Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Gary M. Williams. Also present were Vice Chair Rachel Hendricks, Supervisor Robert DiLorenzo, and Secretary/Treasurer Shahana Shamim.

# **Approval of Meeting Minutes**

The minutes of the August 18 meeting were unanimously approved.

## **Treasurer's Report:**

Since the last meeting, \$100 was received from Zoning and \$670 from Sewage.

Taxes are typically deposited into the Wayne Investment account, which earns only 0.10% interest. The Supervisors unanimously voted to transfer all future tax deposits to the PLGIT account, which offers an interest rate of 4.13%.



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# **Roadmaster's Report:**

PA One Call made 53 calls to the Township to check for underground pipes, and the road crew has been quite busy responding to them. Contractors submit those notifications to PA One Call when they plan to dig. The road crew has also been doing some cold patching.

Mr. Williams, the Roadmaster, will be getting an estimate to repair the 21-year-old truck. Replacing it would cost approximately \$70,000.

# **Zoning:**

Since the last meeting, permits were issued for a yard sale, a fence, and a change of use to a professional office. A list of property owners who were notified, along with the certified mail receipts from the applicant for the AutoZone Conditional Use, was received.

# **Public Participation:**

None

## Secretary's Report

Shahana reported receiving the following:

- A Change of Assessment notice from the Pike County Assessment Office
- Notepads, the Residents' Guide, Senior Citizens Expo materials, the *Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program* booklet, the *Grant and Funding Program Directory*, and a U.S. flag from Representative Jeff Olsommer
- Preliminary copies of the Flood Insurance Rate Map and Flood Insurance Study Report from FEMA
- An inspection report and a Notice of Termination Deficiency Letter from the Pike County Conservation District for a lot in Milford Highlands
- An inspection report for a property on Pioneer Trail from the Pike County Conservation District
- The 2025 Acts of Legislature from PSATS
- The 2025 ballot for the election of trustees from the PSATS Unemployment Compensation Group Trust
- A sample ordinance for data centers from Mike Mrozinski
- The September Monthly Tax Summary from the Pike County Tax Administrator
- An invitation from the Pike County Public Library for an event honoring Penney and Doug Luhrs



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#### **Old business:**

Planning for the 250th Anniversary Celebration – September 27 - Community Engagement Committee: The press release and the registration link for the open house were sent to the Township to be posted on the website.

# **Constitution Avenue Bridge Updates:**

The County has not provided a timeframe for restricting the bridge to pedestrian-only use. Rachel received information from the County in response to her Right-to-Know request. According to those reports, no grant applications for bridge maintenance have been submitted by the County since 2020. Mr. John Fuller needs to review the repair estimate that was provided by the County. Restricting the road to local traffic only could be considered. If the bridge becomes pedestrian-only, septic trucks, garbage trucks, school buses, and the township snow plow truck would have to back up to Route 209. Harvey McKean will have to discuss this matter at the next Road Task Force meeting.

It was noted that there are State and Federal funding opportunities available for improving bridge conditions, but the County is not applying for them.

## Suggestion of a specific defective ordinance declaration - Andrew Bellwoar

The Planning Commission is still working on DEPG's Planned Unit Commercial Development curative amendment submission, so this item needs to remain on the agenda.

#### **Computer Upgrade to Windows 11 Discussion**

Windows 11 support for the township will remain in place until October of next year, as the township is considered a business entity. The supervisors unanimously voted to table this item until the next meeting.

## New printer for the permit office

The supervisors unanimously voted to table this item until the next meeting.

## Planning Commission Recommendation – Data Center Regulations

Some data centers use up to three million gallons of water per day as coolant and generate ambient noise 24 hours a day. Liquid nitrogen and wastewater are among the alternative coolants being considered. The Planning Commission recommended enacting a temporary ordinance to allow six months for the development of a comprehensive data center ordinance. During this period, no data center applications would be accepted. The Solicitor forwarded a draft ordinance accordingly, which must be submitted to the County for review and then advertised before it can be adopted. Mr. Mike Mrozinski also provided a model data center ordinance, which the Secretary was instructed to forward to the Planning Commission members for discussion at their upcoming workshop.



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#### **New Business:**

## Milford Knob Star Restoration Resolution – Pike County Commissioners Office:

The Board of Supervisors unanimously voted to adopt the resolution.

## 2026 Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) Worksheet

Shahana presented the completed 2026 MMO Worksheet to the Supervisors.

## Planning Commission Request: Appointment of Alternate Member

The Board of Supervisors unanimously voted to table this item until the Solicitor is available.

Request to Close Old Owego Turnpike on September 27 - Grey Towers National Historic Site This request was approved unanimously by the Board of Supervisors.

## **Other Public Participation:**

Rachel said that she was invited to be a panelist at the Pennsylvania Municipal League Conference in Erie in October. Mr. Stroyan asked that the Supervisors be informed of all legal information regarding the appointment of an Alternate Member to the Planning Commission.

As there were no additional matters or executive sessions to address, the Board of Supervisors unanimously voted to approve the payment of bills and adjourned the meeting at 7:45 P.M.